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# 5/1/2019 Brandon Township Meeting Minutes

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## Call to order

A meeting of Brandon Township was held on May 1, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Brandon Township Hall located at 25993 482nd Ave, Corson, SD 57005.

## Invocation

Present: John Brandsma, Tom Brown, Scott Tripp, Dean Herll, Elizabeth Aaker

Others Present: Nancy Brandsma, Chad Schettler, Tami Jansma (City of Brandon Engineer)

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Approval of Minutes

Minutes from March 26, 2019 meeting. Brandsma set motion to approve, Tripp 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.

## Public Comments For Items On Agenda Only- None

## New Business-

- Todd Dathe vacate road request- Citizen did not attend meeting
- Tami Jansma, City of Brandon- Jansma attended meeting to introduce herself to board. Board discussed with her about creating a weight limit or no truck signage for Chestnut and Redwood Blvd to help keep road conditions safer. Discussion on City of Brandon residents using township roads to shoot off fireworks.
- Gravel Bids & Grader Bids:
  - o Grader Bids: Received several bids for both new and used graders. Supervisors decided the best bid was to purchase a used 2015 John Deere 772G with 1226 hours for the amount of \$217,950. Township will trade in current grader for \$50,000 and provide \$60,000 for new grader. meeting. Brandsma set motion to approve purchase of new grader, Tripp 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.
  - o Gravel Bids: We received two bids, providing gravel from Concrete Materials at \$6 per ton and hauling gravel from Kalb Trucking \$5 per ton. Brandsma set motion to approve purchase of gravel, Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Unanimous vote, Motion Carried.
- Update on road conditions- Several roads to discuss but overall all roads are in poor condition due to weather and flooding. Waiting for them to dry out before most repairs can be started.
  - o 47381 248<sup>th</sup> Street- MCRW to install new water lines and also install new culvert for driveway.
  - o 257<sup>th</sup> & East of Highway 11- Railroad needs to dig out ditch in their right away to all water to flow properly. New culvert needs to be installed on east side of road.
  - o 256<sup>th</sup> & West of 481<sup>st</sup>- Low spots at bridge, might need to fill in when all dries out
  - o FEMA Reporting- Herll and employee Mike Gross documented, photographed, and filled out all forms for FEMA assistant. Total repair costs were reported at \$32,584.34.
- Insurance coverage update- Current insurance provider is no longer covering townships so we are waiting on an official quote from Schwebach Insurance out of Dell Rapids.

- 2020 Census- Received letter for voluntary new construction census. Does not seem apply to our township.

## Unfinished business

- Decision on 2019 tractor rental, major cost changes from previous years
  - o Employee Mike Gross will use personal tractor to maintain road ditches. Will discuss hourly compensation of use. Previous tractor rental bids have increased substantial from last year.
- 259th Street (discuss digging out ditches, survey, move mailboxes back, fix hole by power box)
  - o Employee Mike Gross will start working on remaining work once the road is thawed.
- Culverts GPS identified
  - o Brandsma has new phone application and working on learning to use it.
- Johnson Culvert Replacement
  - o Two culverts need to be replaced at township cost. Supervisors will set up meeting date with landowners.
- Culvert inspection Aaron Schroeder at 26003 483rd Ave
  - o Culvert will need to be replaced, will be done as soon as road thaws. Will do the same time as the Johnson Culvert
- Bids On New Building- Received several bids on building but continue to work on acquiring building site.

## Financial Update From Treasurer

- CD has been renewed at Great Western Bank.

## Public Comments/Announcements

- Added additional meeting date of June 12, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Brandon Township Hall located at 25993 482nd Ave, Corson, SD 57005 to discuss road work and other matters that need to be address once most of the roads have dried out.

## Adjournment

Brandsma set motion to adjourn, Tripp second motion at 8:25pm