

The Cormorant Township Board meeting was held on Tuesday, **July 14th, 2020, at 7:00** p.m. at the Cormorant Community Center. Board members present were: Supervisors John Buhaug and Tony Hubbard, Chairman Steve Sorenson, Treasurer Susie Braseth, and Clerk Claudia Hanson.

- A. **Call to Order** by Chairman Sorenson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. **Minutes** from the June 30th regular meeting were approved (with one clerical correction) with a motion by John, seconded by Tony. Carried 3-0. The claims/bills were signed as presented.
- C. **New Business – None**
- D. **Old Business**
 - 1) **Culvert by Mark and Marlene Nielsen, N. Leaf Lake Road** – Supervisors inspected the area on separate occasions and neither John nor Steve could find a culvert, but both agree a culvert is needed by Leaf Lake Road to divert rainwater. It was very evident from last storm how much water run off there was that ended up in Nielsens’ pasture.
 - 2) **Calendar** – Covid 19 restrictions from Governor Walz are still limiting large group gatherings. For August, a bridal shower will have to be held elsewhere and a meeting will have to be rescheduled.
 - 3) **Water damage in basement, carpet cleaning** – From last storm, rainwater flooded part of the townhall basement and water had to be extracted from the library, CLWD office and in the internet area. Board discussed and agreed new downspouts are needed and to also re-grout the outside of the schoolhouse building where building meets up with the parking lot. Once those two things are done, and no more water is leaking into the basement, Ila suggested to have carpets cleaned then. So far carpet has dried up well, but the CLWD office does smell musty.
 - 4) **Transfer Station** – Steve researched this and for now, will hold off on pursuing a station in our township.
 - 5) **Fire extinguishers** – Nardini will be coming out Wednesday, July 22nd to maintain extinguishers in the community center and will meet with John on where to have extinguishers in the township equipment and storage sheds.
- E. **Recycling** –A claim was filed with MATIT for damage to vehicle parked at Ericksons’

recycling shed when our township person mowing kicked up a small piece of metal with the mower and flung it against the side of car. This was a small dent but Deb Provence, MATIT insurance adjuster, is handling claim for us. A report still had to be filed to document incident with the Becker Cty. Sheriff.

F. Roads

- 1) **Dustguard** – This is all done.
- 2) **Brushing** – Board still needs to decide what road right of way may need brushing.
- 3) **Danielson Beach right of way** – John will talk to Stephen Anderson regarding the his request to expand Danielson Beach right of way for parking. Board discussed and considering the steepness of bluff next to road and how expensive it would be, this project would not be a good use of township funds and it would only benefit a few people on Danielson Beach to gain more parking space for those residents.

G. Other Business

- 1) **Repair doorknobs, re-key locks** - The door handle and lock on the north side has been catching and not unlocking at times, and the kitchen door occasional does not unlock for Susie’s key. Board discussed that it might be a good time to have work done on the locks, and additionally, so many people have been copies of the keys get into the center, that it is difficult to control who comes in, during Covid -19 lockdown, when they should not be in the building at all. Board agreed to have doors re-keyed and handles/knobs repaired.

H. Treasurer’s Report - Board reviewed claims and payments for the prior month (ending June 2020). Available upon request.

Beginning Balance	\$217,769.16 (after voided check \$146.28)
Receipts	+ \$250,241.57
Disbursements	- <u>\$51,704.16</u>
Ending checking acct. balance	<u>\$416,306.57</u>
Investment beginning balance	-0-
Investment purchased	-0-
Investment transferred/sold	-0-

Investment interest
Ending Investment value

-0-
-0-

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- I. **Adjournment** - The township meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. with a motion from Tony, seconded by John, and carried 3-0. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 28th, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Hanson, Clerk