

Report of Board Meeting September 18, 2012

Next Board Meeting is November 20, 2012

Board members present: Bill Norris, Chairman    Dennis Sazama, Supervisor    John A. Krueger, Supervisor  
Carol Nelson, Clerk                                      Karen Marthaler, Treasurer

Audience:

Darrell Nordick	Bill Putnam	Doug Ackling	Louie Sazama	Terry Marthaler
Pete Charon	Allan Dammann	Ray Sazama	David Wenzel	Lyle Smith

Dave Heyer, Engineer

**1. Introductions & Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Agenda;** Under Other, add Roger Fenstad's request for Edna Township approval for an approach to his property on Big McDonald Lake, Under Gopher bounty, add 3 separate claims for gopher feet . Norris made the motion to approve the agenda with the above additions. Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved 3/0

**3. Gopher Bounties** 271 gopher feet were turned for a bounty payment of \$2.50/pair of gopher feet. Three checks were written; Janet Sievers for \$52.25, Kenny Moenedick for \$625.00, and Ray Sazama for \$115.00

**4. Road Report**

**a.** Sonnenbergs were not available for this meeting.

**b.** Norris drove every mile of township roads on Sunday, 10/14. The roads look nice and drive well.

The Township roads are all under control at this time.

**c.** Resolution to Accept Dedication of 1,390 square feet of road, part of Tract 5, Hill View Estates, on West Little McDonald Drive was read in completion. Motion to approve made by Krueger. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Norris. Motion approved 3/0

**5. Clerk's Report** no changes or corrections were necessary. Motion to accept made by Krueger. Sazama 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0

**6. Treasurer's Report** Receipts for the month totaled \$18.50. Claims paid totaled \$75,367.04

Year to date received \$341,470.32 receipts & claims paid totaled \$ 225,190.98

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report made by Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sazama Carried 3/0.

**7. Claims** to be paid add \$625.00, \$52.25 & \$115.00 to claims to be paid list. These 3 claims are for gopher bounty.

Motion to approve made by Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>/Sazama Approved 3/0

Total of claims to be paid at this meeting is \$69,821.57.

**8. Public comment**

**a.** A resident here tonight wishes to thank Edna Township supervisors for all the positive road repairs completed, such as the dust control treatment that has been done on Township roads, especially East Little McDonald Drive. Ackling Construction crew did a great job. Have a question as to why the September meeting was reconvened. What was the requested quote for?

Answer; the meeting was recessed to allow a request for quotes to place the dust control materials on Township roads.

There were 2 quotes placed and the Ackling Construction quote was the lowest and was accepted.

**b.** A resident also wishes to say thank you for all the gravel placed on Devil's Lake Road.

**c.** Correspondence arrived from Perham Emergency Services, concerning their October meeting. Sazama will attend that meeting as a representative of Edna Township.

**9. Unfinished Business**

**a.** Dave Squires took care of the beaver on Devil's Lake road. Will need to watch this location in case other beaver move in. John Weickert is also interested in removing beaver.

**b.** Questions: Is this is an ongoing item? Is this only in designated locations or wherever a trapper can find beavers?

Discussion:

Norris would like to see Edna Twp. contract with a trapper. Could issue a limit as to number of beaver that can be trapped & paid for. Edna Twp. has had another call offering the trapping services from a Detroit Lakes trapper.

Can pay a bounty on beaver if causing a problem & trapped by a licensed trapper. Weichert would want to wait until October to begin trapping. Norris made motion that John Krueger supervise John Weickert's trapping locations and set the limit at 25 beaver per season. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sazama. Approved 3/0.

**c.** Muskrats do not have a paid bounty.

**d.** Sign Inventory – support posts need to be built to withstand 3 pounds of contact per foot. Edna Twp. posts are built at 4 pounds per foot. This could become a liability against Edna Township. Heyer suggests minimum maintenance roads & higher traffic roads be brought into compliance with Federal regulations now. Edna Twp. has many non-enforceable signs in place now. Supervisor Krueger would like to have Edna Twp. spend some money on signs. He would like to discuss this process with other townships regarding who did their work & what it cost. Motion was made by Supervisor Krueger to spend \$10,000 on signs & sign replacement labor. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Norris. Approved 3/0.

**e.** Sazama made motion to request itemized quotes this fall. 2<sup>nd</sup> Krueger. Approved 3/0.

**f.** Sazama made motion that board members attend the East Otter Tail Fall Meeting in Deer Creek. Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved 3/0.

**10. New Business**

**a.** Devil’s Lake Road still needs some repairs. Making the road 20’ wide between the sloughs, a length of approximately 500 feet would be helpful. Sazama made motion to request quotes for continued repair of Devil’s Lake Road. Norris 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved 3/0.

**b.** Norris made the motion to add Edna Twps.’ approval to Mark & Roger Fenstad’s request for topographical alterations to their property located on Engstrom Beach 5<sup>th</sup> Addition, Lot 14, Blk 1, Sectopm 18 of Edna Township. Otter Tail county has approved a Conditional Use Permit for this alteration. Krueger 2<sup>nd</sup>. In favor 3/0

**11.** Norris adjourned this meeting at 8:59

Respectfully submitted

Carol Nelson

Clerk, Edna Township