

April 13, 2020 @ 7:00pm

## Regular Township Meeting

**Due to the COVID-19 and the 'Stay at Home' order from Gov. Waltz this meeting was held via Video Conferencing thru Zoom app.**

Present at the Town Hall – Chairman Jeff Schommer, Supervisor Dave Hauser; Fire Chief Eric Makowski; clerk A. Anderson (all were part of the Zoom Video Conference). There were 3 residents.

Present thru the Zoom App. – Supervisor Jim Roach; Treasurer Dominic Henderson. There were 2 residents that participated along with the Zoom app.

Chairman J. Schommer called the April meeting to order. The guidelines from M.A.T. were reviewed when conducting a meeting via video conferencing.

Minutes from the Regular March meeting had been sent to all supervisors for review. J. Schommer made a **motion (1)** to approve the minutes as written, seconded by J. Roach. All were in favor, motion carried.

Brenda Ikoa with Sportsman's Store and Jeff McCullough with Mission Tavern both required approval of their Liquor Licenses. J. Schommer made a **motion (2)** to approve the Liquor License for Sportsman's Store and Mission Tavern, seconded by D. Hauser. All were in favor, motion carried. Clerk signed all required forms from Crow Wing County.

Crosslake Police Report – 65 calls in February and 44 calls in March (Via email from Chief Erik Lee)

Mission Fire Report – Fire Chief Eric Makowski reported 4 calls for March. Chief gave a COVID-19 Response update. There was a request for leadership changes; Chief recommended moving Chief 3 (Chad Allord) to Chief 2 position and moving Captain 1 (Eric Anderley) to Chief 3 position. J. Schommer made a **motion (3)** to promote Chad Allord to Chief 2 and Eric Anderley to Chief 2 positions, seconded by D. Hauser. J. Roach opposed, wanted to leave it open for another month. Motion carried. The Captain 1 position would remain vacant, Lieutenants would advance as appropriate. J. Roach asked Chief if the electrical in the sleeping quarters had been inspected; Chief stated that it had.

Road & Bridge Report – D. Hauser stated the plow truck would be needing repairs on the fuel tank. The Annual Road Inspection will be scheduled after the 'Stay at Home' order has expired.

Park & Recreation Report – Carl Anderson stated one tennis net has been put up. Projects from March have been completed: Bean Bag Toss, reconstruction of a picnic table and construction of a tennis court information board. There were no major expenditures anticipated for April. The purchase of a grill was **tabled** until the May meeting.

Cemetery Report – Clerk stated non-residents Raymond and Janice Moritz would like board approval to purchase five cemetery plots. Janice Moritz (Olander) has parents/family buried in Mission cemetery. J. Schommer made a **motion (4)** to approve the sale of five cemetery plots to non-residents Raymond and Janice Moritz, seconded by D. Hauser. All were in favor, motion carried.

Transfer Station – Open Saturdays 10am-2pm. D. Hauser stated he had been at the opening of the transfer station. There was a good number of residents bring in leaves and brush. Social Distancing was being implemented.

**Old Business** – D. Hauser reported that the S.P.E.G. (Snow Plow Evaluation Group) met and are continuing to work on specs for a plow truck. Breezy Point has a similar plow truck with spec's they are looking for and encouraged the other supervisors to take a look.

J. Roach questioned D. Hauser and J. Schommer putting time on their payroll for addition work. J. Schommer stated that they were operating within official capacity of a supervisor.

There was discussion regarding conflict of interests. It was stated that if J. Roach could provide a contrary opinion that J. Schommer would then entertain reinstating J. Roach as Asst. Fire Chief.

**New Business** - J. Schommer has been in contact with three foresters regarding timbering of township land. Options include – Ttimber what Mission Township owns; Wait for 2 years until the township owns the tax forfeited land; Ask the County to pay a portion for the land that is in tax forfeited, to be turned over to Mission in 2022.

J. Roach questions moving to a 5-member board. There was discussion; D. Hauser stated it wasn't needed, J. Schommer preferred having it put to a petition. After further discussion, J. Roach made a **motion (5)** to move forward with a 5-member board. Motion **failed** due to lack of a second.

The final Fire Contract w/Center Township had been reviewed by Couri & Rupp. J. Schommer has forwarded on for Center Township board approval.

Treasurer's Report – D. Henderson stated report had been sent to all. Receipts for March were \$29,281.06, approved March disbursements were \$20,722.38; leaving a balance of \$1,081,520.13. D. Hauser made a **motion (6)** to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by J. Roach. All were in favor, motion carried.

Claims had been emailed to supervisors for review. J. Roach questioned the claims for Couri & Rupp; Legal fees for multiple discussions with D. Hauser regarding Fire Relief By-laws.

J. Schommer made a **motion (7)** to pay claims 9057-9096 in the amount of \$27,142.05, (checks 9094-9096 are void as they are paid electronically by Paper Plan-it) seconded by D. Hauser. All were in favor, motion carried.

There was discussion regarding the May Regular meeting, it was stated that we would have the meeting via video conferencing thru the Zoom app. J. Schommer made a **motion (8)** to approve the purchase of the Zoom Video Conferencing app for up to six months pending the 'Stay at Home' order, seconded by D. Hauser. All were in favor, motion carried.

Fire Relief Report – Eric Anderely, president gave a brief report.

J. Schommer made a **motion (9)** to adjourn the April meeting at 8:35pm, seconded by D. Hauser. All were in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Anderson  
Clerk

Jeff Schommer  
Chairman

\*\*\*\*\* April minutes are unapproved until the Regular May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting \*\*\*\*\*

Upcoming Dates	<b>Please check Mission Township Website for Zoom Meeting Details</b>		
	<b>Missiontownship.org</b>		
	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	Regular Township Meeting (Zoom- Video Conferencing)
	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	7pm	Regular Township Meeting
	20 <sup>th</sup>		Start of Summer Parade Mission Park