

Bearville Township Board of Supervisors Meeting August 8, 2023

The Bearville Town Board of Supervisors' meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm by Chair Gene Baker with Supervisors Janelle Driscoll, and Mike Laulunen, and Jemma Baker, Treasurer and Clerk Kathy Cressy present. Also, present- Dustin Nelson- Fire Chief.

Baker made motion to approve the August 8th 2023 consent agenda with the addition of Bear River Fair address, brush mowing Bearville Road 528, road signs, and the July 11, 2023 meeting minutes. Driscoll seconded. AIF Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts: \$5,605.00 and \$500.00 from the State of Minnesota for DNR fires, \$4,647.62 from St. Louis Count for ½ Payment for Fire Contract St. Louis County Unorganized 62-21 (plus 11 Sections), \$1,063.00 from State of Minnesota for Town State Aid, \$150.00 from JoAnn Fairchild for Cemetery site open/close urn burial (Judy Wold), \$150.00 from Roger Cogger for open/close urn burial Verna Tammi, \$1550.00 from the State of Minnesota for fire training reimbursement. - \$13,665.62 Total

Jemma Baker reported there were \$3,525.46 in uncashed checks and \$176,790.36 in Checking

Laulupen made a motion to accept the financial report and pay claims. Baker seconded. AIF Carried.

Paul Bunyan – 71.00
ELAN – 157.78
Lake Country Power – 109.11
PERA EFT – 126.00
CC Campground – 78.86
Jemma Baker – 47.16
Gene Baker 56.33

Payroll – 2431.06
Richard Barby -36.08
Marcia Stoddard – 22.93
Dustin Nelson – 38.75
Little Bear Construction – 19,328.50
Bear River Fair - \$400.00
MATIT – 18.00

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GENERAL:

MATIT Insurance adjuster looked at the damage to the Town Hall porch roof and the Fire Hall roof. Deb Provence from MATIT sent message asking when work was to begin.

The Fire Truck insurance values were increased: 2 Freightliners (fire trucks) to \$80,000.00, the International Tender to \$20,000.00, the Hall contents to \$15,000.00, additional cost \$18.00.

Driscoll made a motion and Baker seconded to transfer \$25,000.00 from the General Fund to Road and Bridge Fund. Driscoll voted yes, Baker voted yes, Laulunen voted yes. Motion Carried (Unanimous)

Driscoll provided the address to Stef Borowicz/ Bear River Fair Committee for donation; 1525 Hwy 5, Bear River, MN 55723

ROAD AND BRIDGE:

The culvert has been installed on Bearville Road 528.

Laulunen reported price quotes received for mowing/ brushing Bearville Road 528: from Cal Contracting -\$3600.00, from Jerulle Construction- \$3800.00, Powell Contraction – N/A.

Driscoll made a motion to hire Cal Contracting for mowing and brushing Bearville Township Road 528 for the cost of \$3600.00. Baker seconded. AIF motion carried.

Laulunen called Dean at the Togo Itasca County garage about moving and installing the minimum maintenance road signs (Cedar Lane). They need authorization from the County Transportation Department to do work. Laulunen contacted Ryan Sutherland and was quoted a price of \$250/ each sign (2)
Laulunen has not contacted the State of Minnesota for replacement of the "Entering Bearville Township" sign.

Baker made a motion and Driscoll seconded to contract with Itasca County for sign installation. AIF motion carried.

HALL

See insurance info in General.

FIRE

Chief Nelson reported no calls during the month. Engine 2 valve may be leaking, they are looking into it. Problem with the door on the fire hall, Nelson hit door and damaged the opener.

Nothing to report on the search for a Tender. Info on brush truck: Diesel engine double cab (GM) \$54,589.60) single cab \$55,897.10. Boss Plow was quoted at \$6700.00 two years ago. Nelson said the Tender is a bigger priority. Ethan Baker's training is complete and he has been issued a pager and radio.

Driscoll made a motion to accept the fire report, Laulunen seconded. AIF motion carried.

CEMETERY:

New weed whip was purchased. Need a strap.

Laulunen made a motion to purchase a strap for the weed whip. Driscoll seconded. AIF motion carried.

Richard Barby completed two urn burial during the month.

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NEW BUSINESS

Laulunen made a motion to advertise requests for quotes for road plowing for 23/24. Driscoll seconded. AIF motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

Baker made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Driscoll seconded. AIF carried. Meeting adjourned.

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BEARVILLE TOWNSHIP CHAIRPERSON – GENE BAKER

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CLERK BEARVILLE TOWNSHIP – KATHY CRESSY