

**DUNN TOWNSHIP, OTTER TAIL COUNTY, MN
ANNUAL TAXPAYERS MEETING
MINUTES**

TUESDAY MARCH 12, 2019 7:00 pm

Call to Order by Clerk D. Winter: The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Clerk D. Winter. All Supervisors were present as was Treasurer S. Pepelnjak, Clerk D. Winter. In the audience was Dave Slotten, Pelican Valley Health Dist. Representative for Dunn Township, Louis Hogle, Managing Editor of the Pelican Press Newspaper, Vanessa Slotten, Richard Gabe, Nick Valentine and James Clemenson.

The Clerk calls for nominations for a Moderator: A nomination for Richard Gabe was made by Dave Slotten and seconded by Duane Seifert. Three additional calls for nomination were made by the clerk. Hearing no further nominations for moderator, the clerk cast a unanimous ballot for Richard Gabe for moderator.

***Moderator conducts Meeting:** The moderator took his position at the head table and asked that the Pledge of Allegiance be recited.

Agenda: The moderator asked for a Review of the printed agenda and asked for additions or deletions, hearing none he asked for a motion to accept the printed agenda. A motion to accept the agenda as printed was made by D. Slotten and seconded by S. Pepelnjak, motion carried.

2018 Meeting Minutes were read by the Clerk: A motion to Approve as read was made by D. Seifert and seconded by V. Slotten, motion carried.

2018 Annual Financial Report (Schedule 1) was reviewed by Treasurer S. Pepelnjak: A motion to Approve the report was made by R. Herseth and seconded by B. Dalman, motion carried.

2019 Ringdahl Ambulance Service Contract: A motion to Approve the contract for 2019 in the amount of \$11,312.50 which is \$12.50 per capita was made by D. Johnson and seconded by D. Seifert, motion carried.

2018 Road Report -David Johnson, Road Supervisor: Rebuilt Holbrook Rd about ½ mile. Seal Coated roads that were overlay the previous year, they were Fish Lake Rd West end, Old Hwy 59 Rd, 460th (shared by Dunn, Pelican Twp & Scambler Twp) and Labrador Beach Rd. Birch Grove caved in and didn't last so re-did the repair, extended the culvert and put rock on the ditch bank to stabilize the soil. Completed the cartway off of County 31 west of 500th Street which went to the Spidahl property, a land locked property. Our road overlay budget is high this

year because last year we didn't ask for quotes early enough and all contractors were too busy to give us a quote for 2018. This year we received bids on over 5 miles of overlay. D. Johnson recapped the bids received for proposed 2019 completion. Overlaying Pelican Point Drive 1.25 miles, Seifert Beach Road .8 miles, Johnson Lane .65 miles, 215th Avenue 2.0 miles and East Lake Lizzie Lane .45 miles, totaling \$465,670.00. The firm with the winning bid was Central Specialties from Alexandria, Minnesota. Also let for bids was a two-foot grade raise and overlay on Midland Beach Road .2 miles, winning bid by Driveway Services for \$42,620.

2018 Fire Dept. Report, Supervisors B. Dalman & Mary Nyquist: Supervisor Dalman reviewed the high points of the Fire Department annual meeting: They have new breathing apparatus coming, they are selling a 1990 GMC tanker truck. Dunn Township had 10 fire calls in 2018. They reviewed all calls including mutual aide calls. Our payment to the Pelican Rapids Fire Department over the last 6 years had averaged \$51,000 per year. A motion was made by D. Johnson and seconded by J. Clemenson to approve the report; motion carried.

Other Business to Discuss:

David Slotten/Pelican Valley Hospital District Representative: D. Slotten recapped the year end report. He mentioned that they have changed management companies and Knute Nelson firm from Alexandria has taken over the management of the operation. The hospital district had a loss of \$55,542, including the \$537,500 levy input. Prior years losses have been: 2017 - \$369,077, including a \$350,000 Levy, 2016 - \$187,642 including a \$300,000 Levy, 2015 - \$524,994, including a \$112,500 Levy, 2014 - \$165,724 including a \$22,500 Levy, 2013 - \$551,565 including a \$90,130 Levy. The full report recap is available from the Clerk.

Proposed Levy Review by Supervisor R. Herseth:

2019 LEVY		PROPOSED LEVY FOR 2020	
General Fund	\$ 60,000.00	General Fund	\$ 60,000.00
Road and Bridge	\$ 405,000.00	Road and Bridge	\$ 390,000.00
Fire	\$ 35,000.00	Fire	\$ 50,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 500,000.00	TOTAL	\$ 500,000.00

Levy – Motion to Approve, was made by D. Slotten and seconded by D. Johnson, motion carried.

Moderator- Ask if there is any other business to discuss (General Discussion of Items of Concern – advisory only).

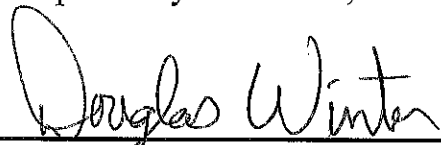
J. Clemenson who lives on 275th St, complemented the snow removal firm for doing a good job of snow removal in a year with a lot of snow.

Set 2020 Annual Meeting Date and location- Motion required/Approval

- 7 p.m., March 10, 2020, Dunn Town Hall, 47979 E. Lake Lizzie Rd. in case of inclement weather or any other need to move the meeting, it will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 7:00pm at the same address. A motion was made by B. Dalman and seconded by D. Seifert; motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by J. Clemenson and seconded by S. Pepelnjak, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas Winter, Clerk of Dunn Township



Richard Gabe, Moderator