

Lansing Township Board Minutes

April 18, 2023

Lansing Town Hall

Members Present: Duane Mortensen, Gary Braaten, Mark Ratigan, Robert Morgan, Treasurer Diana Witt, Kristine Allas, Bernie Boverhuis (Absent: Steve Torgerson)

Chairman Duane Mortensen opened the meeting at 7:03 pm, with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to approve the Agenda, Supervisor Mark Ratigan seconded, motion passed.

Quotes were all passed out and read by Supervisor Mark Ratigan or Supervisor Gary Braaten:

Roadside Ditch Mowing: Jon & David Hillier gave a bid of mowing of 26 miles both sides of road with a 9' rotary disc mower, \$2,700.00 total for the year, with insurance certificate provided, mowing before 7/10 and second mowing before 9/20 or as directed by Lansing Township Board; Supervisor Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept the bid, Supervisor Robert Morgan seconded, and motion passed.

Road Rock - Class 2 – ¾" or 1": Paulson Rock Products \$16.14 per ton delivered and truck spread anyplace in Lansing Township on township road in full capacity loads, with insurance certificate provided. Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to accept Paulson Rock Products for the east side of Hwy 218 with 4 truck minimum (6-8 trucks available), Robert Morgan seconded, and motion passed.

Road Rock – Class 2 1" roadstone: LR Falk Construction \$9.50 per ton, insurance certificate provided and with RDS Trucking hauling \$8.60 per ton, insurance certificate provided. Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to accept LR Falk Construction and RDS Trucking hauling for the west side of Hwy 218 with 4 truck minimum, Robert Morgan seconded, and motion passed.

Gravel – Class 5: RDS Trucking Gravel Class 5 \$9.00 per yard, with insurance certificate provided, and hauling \$10.00 per yard. Supervisor Robert Morgan made the motion to accept RDS Trucking, Supervisor Gary Braaten seconded, and motion passed.

Lawn Mowing Service: Koehler's Yard Service bid Town Hall \$45.00 each time, Water Tower \$45.00 each time, Sewage Ponds \$140.00 each time not to exceed 12 mowing's. Supervisor Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept all 3 lawn service bids from Koehler's Yard Service, Chairman Mortensen seconded, and motion passed.

Calcium Chloride: Freeborn County Coop Oil Dust Control Bid @ \$1.09 per gallon for magnesium chloride and ½ rate. Supervisor Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept Freeborn County Coop Oil, Supervisor Gary Braaten seconded, and motion passed.

Supervisor Mark Ratigan made the motion to approve the Minutes of March 21, 2023, Supervisor Gary Braaten seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Diana Witt presented the Treasurer's Report with a total ending balance on hand of \$442,989.17, Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, and approve to pay the claims and payroll, Supervisor Robert Morgan seconded, and motion passed.

Zoning Report given by Chairman Duane Mortensen: copy of letter from Mower County to Mr. Fett.  
Discussion of some other items taking place with the County.

Subordinate Service District Report given by Bernie Boverhuis: Water: All pumps and controls working properly at this time with no problems to report this month. All weekly samples taken were good. Fluoride, bacteria, and chlorine samples were taken on 3/15 and sent to MDH lab as required. These test results were also okay. Water tower inspection is scheduled with KLM to be done on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Total water usage for March was 465,000 gallons. Wastewater: Pumps and controls working properly at this time with no problems to report. Finished transferring primary pond to secondary pond on 3/31. Predischarge samples were taken and sent to the lab. Results were okay for discharge. Started first spring discharge on 4/18. Perimeter tile line samples were taken on 4/12 as required. Influent quarterly samples were taken on 3/29 as required. All samples were sent to the lab for analysis. The average daily flow to the ponds for March was 22,000 gallons per day. 4 delinquent accounts in Andyville with wastewater; 7 delinquent accounts in Lansing Village with water/wastewater.

Road Committee Report: Supervisor Mark Ratigan reported Bernie Boverhuis has been out grading the gravel roads of the Township, and more garbage in ditches found again. Discussion of someone wanting a culvert and driveway put in the back of their property. The Township policy is 1 driveway with culvert (if needed) per resident/property owner for accessibility. After much discussion, this was denied, and the property owner would be responsible for this.

Firecalls: 3 this past month – 2 grass fires on Hwy 218 N, and Darwin Noble will be invoiced for that firecall.

Website Update: Chairman Duane Mortensen and Bernie Boverhuis did contact Mr. Steiner, but he is not interested. Chairman Duane Mortensen will contact Ryan Benorden and the consensus of the Board was that whoever takes over the website and sitting at our meetings would be paid same as the Supervisors \$25.00 per hour.

Supervisor Gary Braaten made the motion to adjourn at 9:25 p.m., Supervisor Robert Morgan seconded, and motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristine M. Allas, Clerk