

**COTTON TOWN BOARD MEETING - Approved**

**August 12, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. in the township office, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Supervisor Ken Meinke, Supervisor Jamie Bowden, Supervisor Tim Randall, Treasurer Debbie Leppala and Clerk Sandi Nelson. There were now residents or guests present.

Ken Meinke motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden to accept the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as mailed. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

The treasurer presented the cash control statement.

GENERAL FUND: receipts \$38,216.37; disbursements \$7,791.99; total \$19,899.01  
NON-LEVY REVENUE: receipts \$1,125.46; disbursements \$500.00; total \$90,236.92  
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: receipts \$23,517.27; disbursements \$5,727.00; total \$22,470.47  
CHRONICLE FUND receipts \$3,244.89; disbursements \$1,479.21; total \$8,196.64  
CEMETERY\OLD FUND: receipts \$1,178.16; disbursements \$357.44; total \$7,823.62  
CEMETERY\NEW FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$0; total \$11,417.23  
PARKS & REC FUND: receipts \$1,617.24; disbursements \$270.00; total \$7,784.32  
FIRE FUND: receipts \$13,531.92; disbursements \$36.35; total \$21,090.96  
FIRE TRUCK FUND: receipts \$3,026.11; disbursements \$0; total \$11,261.73  
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND: receipts \$2,166.31; disbursements \$115.44; total \$12,214.50  
TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$87,623.73  
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$16,277.43  
BALANCE ON HAND: 7/31/10 \$212,395.40

INVESTMENTS: CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT:

NON-LEVY REVENUE FUND: CD current value \$25,157.53

Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Tim Randall to accept the Treasurer's Report as corrected. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

The Treasurer presented the claims list. Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Tim Randall to approve and sign the claims list for claim #14659 through #14697 and debit #810-1 claims totaling \$41,884.72 and approve debit #810-2 to pay the Bills For Payment. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

**Correspondence**

ST. LOUIS COUNTY OFFICES

AUDITOR: Election Judge Training, Notice of vacancies CDBG Advisory Committee.

SHERIFF'S VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD: Thank you.

MN DEPT. OF REVENUE: Market Value Credit Reductions for 2010 & Future Years.

JAY RACEK: Firearms Safety Class. \*

LAKE COUNTRY POWER: Ballot and Capital Credit Allocation. \*

RODDA GRADING & EXCAVATING: Invoice.

MN FALL MAINTENANCE EXPO

COTTON CHRONICLE

STRICTLY BUSINESS

MN TOWNSHIP NEWS

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EXCHANGE  
MN LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
GIVING FORUM

E-MAIL

ST. LOUIS COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: CDBG 2011 Program Kickoff.

Mn DEPT OF HEALTH: Testing water.

Mn DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION: New Highway 53 intersection geometrics.

Mn STATE AUDITOR: E-Update and Pension Division Newsletter.

NORTHERN STATE BANK OF VIRGINIA: Update on interest rates.

CORY JOHNSON: Looking for work.

DICK WALLIN: Thanks for the dust coating on S. Strand Lake Road.

*\*AGENDA ITEM*

Clerk received two emails after the correspondence was copied for the agenda and they will be discussed under other agenda items.

OLD BUSINESS

Well: The new water line was put in, a new pitless adapter was replaced and a submersible pressure was installed. Larry Peterson, Mn Dept of Health, emailed that he has tested the water and it is absent for bacteria. The community center is the only building on the well now. The fence will be put back up. The deed will have to be corrected now.

Monitoring wells: Received an email from Rick Crum, Northeast Technical Services (NTS), stating the wells were abandoned and the well and boring seal records will go to the Mn Dept. of Health. on August 15<sup>th</sup>. This is the paperwork that will officially end any billing from MDH

CONTINUUM

Community Center: St. Germain's made the repairs on the vestibule. Parking lot has been repainted. The back garden and the picket fence have been cleared out and patio block laid. Debbie Leppala may start looking at commercial tiles.

Roads: The dustcoating has been completed. S. Strand Lake road needs gravel over a culvert between Evergreen Lane and the sand pit. Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Tim Randall to have 2 loads of gravel over the exposed culvert on S. Strand Lake Road. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED. Meinke will talk to Tracy Excavating to place the gravel. Jean Magney left a message at the town office asking the schedule of Rodda for grading. Tim Randall asked about the grading schedule for Fisher Road. Fisher Road should be graded May, June, & July. Meinke will talk to Rodda regarding the Fisher Road grading. Discussed having Norm Peterson clear around the curve signs on Cemetery Road.

Parks & Rec: Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Tim Randall that the Cookbook sales will be put into the Parks & Rec fund. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED

Meetings: There was an informational meeting at the community center August 11<sup>th</sup> concerning the burglaries in the area. There is a plan to have a follow-up meeting and Jamie Bowden informed St. Louis County Commissioner Keith Nelson that Cotton would be happy to host that meeting. Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Tim Randall to help pay for postage for bulk

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mailing for the next meeting. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Lake County Power ballot was tabled to be review.

Received a request from Jay Racek, Firearms Safety Instructor, to use the gravel pit for field exercise of his class. Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Tim Randall to approve the use of the gravel pit for the Firearms Safety Class field exercise. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

As there was no further business, Tim Randall motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden that the meeting be adjourned at 5:02 p.m. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. Tim Randall aye. ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

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Town Clerk

Approved:

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Town Chair

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Date