

## Ogema Township

Regular Town Board Meeting

March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

The Ogema Town Board held their regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the Ogema Town Hall. The following were present: Charles Kramer, Ronald Meehan, Anne Haas, Sharol Huggett and Robert Sunstrom. Also present were Jesse Obert and Michael Waggoner.

Chairman Charles Kramer called the meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Agenda was approved and/or corrected on a motion by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas. Motion carried. All voting, yes.

Citizens Input – Jesse Obert mentioned that he has made an application for a Variance on Property ID. R23.115.000 with an address of 44974 Tamarack River Road. The said property is approximately 165' x 2,640'. The Variance is for a building structure according to setback regulations in township ordinance. Michael Waggoner expressed interest on becoming the community person at large to be a member of the newly organized Cemetery Committee. Clerk has prepared a resolution for designating members to this group. There would be a 4 member committee reporting to the Board of Supervisors. Tabled.

Clerk's reports of the 2-6-21 Town Board meeting and 2-6-21 Board of Audit were approved and/or corrected on a motions made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Clerk to file.

The Treasurer's report was approved and/or corrected on a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas showing a balance of \$ 32,549.89 in Checking as of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, a balance of \$6,239.07 in the Cemetery CD and a balance of \$5.00 in Savings. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Motion to pay the bills was approved by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas. Motion carried. All voting, yes. There were 8 claims paid for the total amount of \$ 927.35 and payroll of \$ 1,161.47. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, Treasurer and Clerk to transfer \$525.00 from Perpetual Care Fund to the Cemetery Fund and the two checks received for Township Aid in the year 2021, be put into Town Hall Renovation Fund. Motion carried. All voting, yes.

East Central Electric	# 4513	\$ 60.58	Town hall electric
Northstar Media, Inc.	# 4514	\$ 125.13	Notices / ballots / calendar
Minnesota Benefit Association	# 4515	\$ 405.00	Group Life Insurance
Robert Sunstrom	# 4516	\$ 39.20	Mileage
Dianne Beaufeaux	# 4517	\$ 68.00	Head Judge wages
Sandra O'Reilly	# 4518	\$ 60.00	Judge wages
Suzanne Whitaker	# 4519	\$ 60.00	Judge wages
Michael Waggoner	# 4520	\$ 109.44	Mileage / moderator
Board member	# 4521	\$ 46.17	Wages

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Board member	# 4522	\$ 253.96	Salary / wages
Board member	# 4523	\$ 50.79	Wages
Board member	# 4524	\$ 184.70	Plow snow/ wages
Board member	# 4525	\$ 625.85	Salary / wages / mw.

#### Old Business

1. By a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays at Annual Meeting, electors gave recommendations to give donations to Family Pathways, Seven County Senior Federation and Pine County Historical Society. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, a donation of \$300.00 will be given to Family Pathways, a donation of \$250.00 will be given to Seven County Senior Federation and a donation of \$250.00 will be given to Pine County Historical Society. Motion carried. All voting, yes.
2. Treasurer briefly spoke of the continuation of grant funding for town hall. Will contact USDA Representative for possible conference call with townships questions. Tabled.
3. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, the EMR Agreement with Duxbury Fire Dept. was approved for this year with the cost of \$1,500.00. Motion carried. All voting, yes. Clerk to send letter and copy of payment onto Mille Lacs Band for their possible 50% contribution. Mille Lacs Band did not contribute last year after stating they would.
4. Supervisor, Ronald Meehan gave his monthly road report and states that all roads need gravel this year and Rosebud Lane is very rough from all the traffic going to Hopkins Sand and Gravel. He will contact Rick Hopkins and ask for help in gravel placement and grading. Need a culvert screen placed at Alma Razor Rd. and Ojibwe Rd. Pipe overflowing caused by beaver making dams.
5. Any other old business.

#### New Business

1. Clerk handed out claim sheets for Town Board.
2. Clerk gave the Board of Canvas election results. Supervisors signed off on.
3. Clerk issued the MAT Officers and Pine County Officers Lists to be submitted and returned. Charles Kramer, Chair, Ronald Meehan, Vice-chair.
4. Township to remain the same with member life insurance policies from MATIT.
5. Clerk mentioned Board of Appeals and Equalization meeting for next month.
6. Clerk mentioned that township has received a certificate of liability.
7. Clerk mentioned that the MAT policies and guide is a good reference book. Take the time to read.
8. Chairperson read resolutions for board members performing duties for township. On a motion made by Anne Haas and second by Charles Kramer, Resolution 2021-5 was approved and adopted for Ronald Meehan mowing grass at town hall and cemetery. Motion carried. Both voting, yes with Ronald Meehan, abstain. On a motion made by Charles Kramer and second by Anne Haas, Resolution 2021-6 was approved and adopted for Ronald Meehan as maintenance worker at town hall, cemetery and road repairs. Motion carried. Both voting, yes with Ronald Meehan, abstain.

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On a motion made by Charles Kramer and second by Ronald Meehan, Resolution 2021-7 was approved and adopted for Robert Sunstrom as maintenance worker at town hall, cemetery and road repairs. Motion carried. All voting, yes. On a motion made by Charles Kramer and second by Ronald Meehan, Resolution 2021-8 was approved and adopted for Robert Sunstrom mowing grass at town hall or cemetery if Ronald Meehan cannot perform duty. Motion carried. All voting, yes. On a motion made by Charles Kramer and second by Ronald Meehan, Resolution 2021-9 was approved and adopted for Anne Haas as maintenance worker at town hall or road repairs. Motion carried. Both voting, yes with Anne Haas, abstain. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, Resolution 2021-13 was approved and adopted forming a Cemetery Committee to establish regulations and fees at Bang's Brook Cemetery owned by Township. Motion carried. All voting, yes. On a motion made by Charles Kramer and second by Anne Haas the Cemetery Committee to be compensated per meeting at a rate of \$40.00 per member. Motion carried. Both voting, yes with Ronald Meehan, abstain.

9. On a motion made by Ronald Meehan and second by Anne Haas, clerk to renew subscription with Hinckley News for legal publication of notices.
10. Clerk asked for approval of Jerry Telker to mow ditches in township for the year 2021. Once in June/July and once in October. Clerk approved to contact vendor to set up scheduling.
11. Any other new business.
12. Clerk read e-mails.
13. Clerk handed out miscellaneous mailings.

Pine Co. Officers meeting on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 9:00 a.m. in Hinckley.  
 MAT Spring Short Course only on-line this year.  
 Next Town Board meeting on Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.  
 Board of Equalization meeting on Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 @ 9:00 a.m.

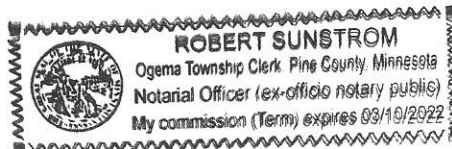
On a motion by Ronald Meehan and second by Charles Kramer, meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert J. Sunstrom*

Robert J. Sunstrom  
 Clerk, Ogema Township

Charles Kramer, Chair  
 Ronald Meehan, Vice-chair  
 Anne Haas, Supervisor



Signature	Date
<i>Charles Kramer</i>	4-8-21
<i>Ronald Meehan</i>	4/8/21
<i>Anne M. Haas</i>	4/8/21