

**Princeton Township
Mille Lacs County, Minnesota**

Township Board Monthly Meeting

Tuesday December 17, 2024

Minutes

The December monthly meeting of the Princeton Township Board was called to order by Chairman Gene Stoeckel at 7:00 p.m. Supervisors attended the meeting in person at the Township Hall. The meeting was open to in-person attendance.

Supervisors present: Gene Stoeckel, Bill Whitcomb, Dan Hiller, Thomas Duden via Facetime.

Staff present: Clerk-Treasurer Tandra Langfeld.

Public attendees: Ken Hennen, Jim Langfeld, Joel Minks

All attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda Mr. Hiller motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Second, by Mr. Whitcomb. Motion carried.

Open Forum

Approve Minutes of November 19th, monthly meeting

Mr. Hiller moved to approve the minutes of November 19th, 2024; as amended. Amending second paragraph page 2 to read Mr. Hiller rescinded the motion second by Mr. Bishman. Second, by Mr. Bishman. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes from December 5, 2024 Special Meeting.

Mr. Stoeckel motioned to approve December 5, minutes as amended. Amending a spelling correction. Second by Mr. Whitcomb. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

Cash Control Statement—November 2024

General Fund Beginning Balance	\$ 49,225.91
Receipts	\$ 37,428.35
Disbursements	\$ 4,697.93
Ending Balance	\$ 81,956.33
Road & Bridge Fund Beginning Balance	\$ (90,558.56)
Receipts	\$ 5204.49
Disbursements	\$ 8,790.50
Ending Balance	\$ (94,174.57)
Total Cash Beginning Balance	\$ 36,441.83
Receipts	\$ 42,632.84
Disbursements	\$ 13,488.43
Ending Balance	\$ 65,586.24

November Payroll Gross	\$ 4,667.50
Special Meeting Payroll	\$ 400.00
Planning Commission Payroll	\$ 750.00
November Total Claims	\$ 47,520.71

Debit card for township bank account. Mr. Whitcomb motioned to set max purchase at \$1000.00. Second by Mr. Hiller.

There was discussion about the mailbox. Mr. Stoeckel moved to send a bill for the mailbox purchase only, Seconded by Mr. Whitcomb. Motion carried.

Mr. Hiller motioned to accept the clerk/treasurer report in its entirety. Second by Mr. Whitcomb. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Road agreements with the City of Princeton: There was discussion and review of the road agreement with the City of Princeton. Mr. Stoeckel suggested there be more updating to the contract, then present it to the board and if acceptable it will be sent to Jason Hill the township attorney for review.

2nd Reading of Cannabis Ordinance 2024-3:

Mr. Hiller motioned to table the second reading until the January 21st meeting, due to only 3 supervisors present. Second, by Mr. Whitcomb. Discussion: Mr. Whitcomb asked if it could be revisited before the end of the meeting if Mr. Duden was available. Mr. Hiller rescinded his motion to table the 2nd reading of the cannabis ordinance until the Jan meeting. Second by Mr. Whitcomb. Motion carried.

Mr. Hiller motioned to move the 2nd reading to after the supervisor reports on the agenda. Second by Mr. Stoeckel. Motion carried.

Mr. Whitcomb called Mr. Duden on his phone using Facetime. All present could see and hear Mr. Duden.

Mr. Hiller motioned to waive the second reading and pass ordinance 2024-3. Second by Mr. Whitcomb. Vote by roll call. Mr. Duden Aye, Mr. Hiller Aye, Mr. Stoeckel Aye. Mr. Whitcomb Aye. Motion is carried.

Update on mediation with Wyonet Township:

There was no agreement reached. Mr. Hiller motioned to have the township engineer prepare a cost estimate to pave and reclaim 3 ½ inches of the south 2 miles and north mile that are already paved. Second by Mr. Whitcomb. Motion carried

New Business:

Pay Schedule and Raises: Clerk/Treasurer. Leave at \$22-\$28 per hour. Increase Tandra Langfeld clerk/treasurer to \$27.00 per hour. Increase Clerk/Treasurer to \$ 100.00 per meeting (2hrs) starting ½ hour before meeting. Hourly wage after 2 hours.

Secretarial or Deputy Clerk: Increase to \$ 20 - \$25 per hour.

Road maintenance: Leave the pay range where it is. Increase wage for Tony Trunk, Sam Trunk, Ken Henchen, and Kim Paxton to \$26.00 per hour.

General Maintenance Worker: Leave pay range where it is. Pay increase to \$21.00 per hour for Ken Henchen. Pay increases effective January 1st, 2025.

Mr. Hiller motioned to accept the Fee and Pay Schedule as amended. Second by Mr. Whitcomb.

Supervisor Report

Roads

Fire Board— Mr. Hiller reported next meeting is not until January 15th. Mr. Hiller sent the rough draft of the fire contract that the City of Princeton is drafting to Jason Hill. There were a few changes, and Mr. Hiller will forward it to Michelle Mcphearson.

Airport Commission Liaison-Mr. Stoeckel

City Planning Commission Liaison- City of Princeton was rezoning an area by the airport from agricultural to industrial.to accommodate and open storage facility.

Township Planning Commission Liaison-

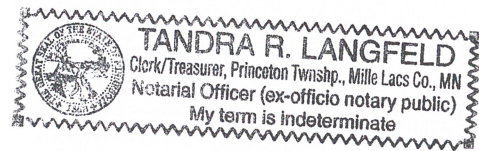
Planning Commission: No Meeting.

Adjourn

Mr. Hiller moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bishman seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tandra Langfeld
Clerk-Treasurer



Approved by the Town Board January 21, 2025.



Eugene Stoeckel, Chairman