

# Fish Lake Township

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## Town Board Meeting Minutes October 10, 2022

Board Members Present: Chair Bruce Fitzwater, Supervisor Jim Thill,

Treasurer Sharon McAndrew, Clerk Andrea Nekowitsch

Board Members Absent: Vice-Chair Corey Johnson

Others Present: Gary Guse, Road Maintenance,

**Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda:** Chairman Fitzwater called the Regular Monthly Fish Lake Town Board meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall at 2170 Brunswick Road, Harris, MN. The pledge of allegiance was recited by all. Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes; motion passed.

**Road Report**: Gary Guse presented the road report. In the month of September, most of the time was spent on road maintenance.

Gary reported that the Swanson mailbox on Beach Road has been brought up to specifications and is now a swing arm.

Motion made by Fitzwater and seconded by Thill to accept Haaven Stump Removal bid for \$21,300 for tree and stump removal in 2023. All ayes; motion passed.

**Treasurers Report:** The Board reviewed the treasurer's report.

#### Bank Balances as of: September 30,2022

Checking	\$2151.82	Broadband Debt. Service	\$59,659.44
Savings (Camb. State)	\$751,453.66	Anchor Ave. Debt Service	\$41,220.89

Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to accept the Treasurer's Report, approve payment of check #14127 to #14105, for the amount of \$64,135.12, authorize up to \$4000.00 in operating disbursements for the upcoming month, approve the claims list as presented and transfer \$70,000 from Savings to Checking. All ayes; motion passed

**Minutes:** Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to approve the minutes of the previous month's meeting. All ayes; motion passed.

## **Appointments:**

None.

#### **Clerk Report:**

The following email was received from a resident address and has been forwarded to Chisago County Code Officer, Steve Putman. **RE: Dog Kennel Operation at 46595 Acacia Trail**: Within the past 12

months it appears that a dog kennel operation of some type has been built nearby. Several neighbors have requested that I contact the township and inquire about its operation. The consistent barking that takes place at all hours has been increasing as the number of animals increase. Could the township please investigate the operation and determine if it's a licensed facility that complies with Minnesota statues regarding kennels? The facility has been built adjacent to Acacia Trail with little or no set back and therefore traffic, bicyclists and people walking by also cause the animals housed there to bark uncontrollably at times. The nighttime barking is affecting the sleep of those in the neighborhood and has been increasing over time.

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## **Board Member Reports:**

## **Old Business:**

Driveway/Culvert Policy Approval – Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to approve the Fish Lake Township Driveway and Culvert Policy. All ayes; motion passed.

New Business:							
Citizen Comment:							
Motion made by Thill and seconded by Fitzwater to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. All ayes; motion passed.							
Bruce Fitzwater, Chair	Date		Andrea Nekowitsch, Clerk	Date			