

## ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 13, 2018

The annual meeting of the Pelican Township was called to order by Clerk Shirley Wallin. Present: Calvin Wallin, Suzanne Goerges, Bruce Westerberg, Shirley Wallin , Rick Johnson, Karl Bennett, Bruce Galles(by skype), Kevin Merschman (police chief of Breezy Point Police) and Clerk Shirley Wallin.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Calvin Wallin nominated Suzanne Goerges as Moderator, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried.

Calvin Wallin made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried.

Kevin Merchman gave the police report, contract will be \$50,500.00 for this upcoming year which is \$48.55 per hr. and spend about 20 hrs. a week in our township. Police Dept. did receive some new monitors and has given the older one to the First Responders. Jason Rieber and Jay Lorch received recognition at the Breezy Point City Meeting Monday night for rescuing Rasmussen's from a burning house. Aviation Day will be May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Airport, the first Tuesday of August, which is August 7<sup>th</sup> Breezy Point will have National Night Out. The Police have been visiting Eagle View School and handing out coloring books and giving a safety message to each class room. The kids get credit for good behavior and can use that credit to buy something from the PTA room or to ride in the police car and quite a few have been using that to ride in the police car. Westerberg made a motion to continue with contract with Breezy Point Police, seconded by Calvin Wallin, motion carried.

Clerk read minutes of the 2017 annual meeting, Bruce Galles made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried.

Treasurer's/ Clerk combined report given by Jody Wallin : Beginning Balance: \$264,074.05, Receipts: \$360,862.25, Transfers In \$100,000.00 Disbursements: \$207,807.87, Purchase of Investments: \$201,025.43, Transfers Out \$0.00, Ending Balance: \$316,103.00, Investment Balance: \$219,712.75, Total Balance: \$535,815.75. Westerberg made a motion to approve report, seconded Rick Johnson, motion carried.

Supervisors Report given by Bruce Galles in absence of Road Supervisor Robert Olson: We need to keep doing crack sealing and brushing of right of way of township roads, WE need to begin repairing major sections of roads with either a seal coat which has gained popularity or full

overlay of new bituminous surface . We had no request to take over any roads for 2017 and do not hear of any in the rumor mill. At this time we do not foresee any major equipment purchases since most of our equipment is in fairly good shape. Tony does a great job of keeping things operational. We do maintain 15+ miles in our township. No questions from the public. Jody Wallin made a motion to approve report, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried.

Calvin Wallin made a motion to leave posting places as is, which is Brainerd Daily Dispatch , Town Hall door and informational notice in Echo when time permits., seconded by Bruce Galles, motion carried.

Old Business: Fire Protection for Nisswa,, will be \$4,908.00 and Firemen's Relief \$334.00, Mission: \$22,278.90 and Firemen's relief \$4,513.64, Pequot Lakes \$8,722.47, Firemen's relief \$2,541.90, Suzanne Goerges made a motion to Approve the Fire Contracts, seconded by Jody Wallin, motion carried.

New Business: Township will be going to voting by mail, clerk explained how the process will work, will be posted on the door if anyone comes to the town hall to vote. Township has been discussing combining Clerk/Treasurer's position. This would need to go on the ballot for the general election to be voted on. Discussion held and consensus of those present to leave as is. Calvin Wallin made a motion to continue with separate clerk and Treasurer positions, seconded by Karl Bennett, motion carried. TDS Telephone Company in Pequot Lakes might be able to offer Cable TV service for those in their telephone service area sometime this summer.

Budget Review was given by Jody Wallin as she did the most work on it: General Fund \$91,400.00, Road and Bridge Fund: \$196,625.00, Fire Fund: \$45,100.00 for total Budget of \$333,125.00. Increases due to raising pay to roadman and Treasurer. Suzanne Goerges made a motion to approve Budget, seconded by Westerberg, motion carried.

Annual Meeting for 2019 will be March 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Suzanne Goerges made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Karl Bennett, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Shirley Wallin*

Shirley Wallin Clerk