

**MEETING NOTICE  
TOWN OF BASHAW**

Notice is hereby given that the  
Bashaw Town Board shall hold its  
Monthly meeting on  
July 13, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. at the Bashaw Town hall

**AGENDA**

- **CALL MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE**-Chairperson Degner called the meeting to order @ 6pm. All board members present.
- **MINUTES FROM JUNE 8, 2021 MEETING**-Damon made a motion to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kelbel. Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel. No (0). Motion carried.
- **TREASURER'S REPORT**-Balance to start: \$136,393.08. Receipts: \$48,206.61 Ending balance=\$157,994.30. Transportation aides, shared revenue and fire dues are coming for July. Kelbel makes a motion to approve the treasurer's report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Damon, Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel, No (0). Motion carried.
- **CORRESPONDENCE**-None
- **AUDIT OF TOWN FINANCIALS**-Kelbel talked to Brandon, he mailed correspondence to Degner regarding the audit. He could get to it in September. Degner will review the estimate, we may wait till year end. Putting on October agenda.
- **IDEAS FOR ARPA FUNDS**-Degner reports the biggest issue is what we can spend it on. Funds can be used for covid costs from the last year, negative impact from covid 19, payments to essential workers, sewer and water issues, broadband, replace loss revenue. There is a calculator the town can fill out to see what we qualify for. There is no deadline to apply and you get 4 years to use the funds. Degner suggests townships get together and possibly build an ambulance garage, but everyone would need to be on the same page and with townships strapped for funds for roads that might be difficult. Loss revenue can be put back into roads. Will work on calculator to see what we qualify for.
- **ESTABLISH SEPARATE ACCOUNT FOR ARPA FUNDS-SHELL LAKE STATE BANK**-Dahlstrom suggests we open a separate account for this. Public input on whether to get a CD, but the board decided it's best for a savings account so the money can be accessible in case it needs to be paid back for some reason. In the future we could roll it into a CD. Kelbel made a motion to open a separate savings account at Shell Lake State Bank with 3 authorized signers (Degner, Dahlstrom, Anderson) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Damon. Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel. No (0). Motion carried.

- **PUBLIC INPUT**-Citizen reports Hilltop Road to the West by the hill, the brush is growing over the road now. Drivers have to move towards the center line to get away from it. It's getting dangerous. Degner reports brushing on roads is a topic of discussion later in meeting.
- **RIVERBEND ROAD COMPLAINTS/ISSUES**-Taubman reports he went into the Land Records office that shows the road goes straight in west and straight north. Land Records had the easement records that the landowner established. The township did maintain it until the fence went up but it isn't a road and we aren't getting funding for it to maintain it. Will put an agenda for August meeting Kelbel will invite Phil Jenkins to the August meeting to discuss what was found.
- **SAWYER CREEK ROAD LRIP PROJECT**-Degner reports project is complete and we need to apply for reimbursement. Kelbel makes a motion to approve the completed project to and move forward with applying for reimbursement, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Degner, Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel, No (0). Motion carried. Taubman reports that he spoke to the Highway Commissioner and to stripe Sawyer Creek Rd would be around \$500-\$600 with 2 solid yellow stripes. Public comment on how do you know which roads gets striped and which doesn't. High traffic roads are considered 1<sup>st</sup> and Sawyer Creek Rd is a high traffic road. Suggestion from Taubman to consider striping all roads after they're redone. Damon makes a motion to approve up to \$600 for striping Sawyer Creek Rd with 2 solid yellow stripes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Degner, Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel, No (0). Motion carried.
- **LITTLE LONG LAKE ROAD BOAT LANDING/ACCESS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO BOAT LANDING**-Taubman went into the County Land Conservation Office and they helped him with the preparation of the plans. They will provide 70% cost share for the project. Taubman presented a plan to the board. Discussion on what rock to use and the slope. Cost estimate is \$920 for the materials. Degner can donate the posts, discussion took place on sending out for bid or do the work ourselves. Degner suggests we get gravel on the road as soon as possible. Taubman said it will be 120 yards of gravel. Discussion on laying fabric. Work will be done ourselves. Dahlstrom suggests keeping separate time sheets for this project for reimbursement. Kelbel makes a motion to move forward with the work ourselves and approve \$6000 for the project, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Damon, Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel, No (0). Motion carried.
- **CRACKSEALING ROAD BIDS**-Degner and Taubman did a road tour to determine which roads needed crack sealing. Sunset Drive 1 mile from County Hwy B to Sand Rd. Hilltop Rd from Cadle going west 5,000 feet, Green Valley Rd 2 ½ miles+, Sand Rd from Bashaw St to Sunset Drive 1 ½ miles or 7708 feet, Tozer Lake Rd from Hwy 63 to New Knapp Rd 1 mile. Anderson will get a bid notice in the Spooner Advocate.
- **DRIVEWAY PERMITS/APPLICATIONS**-None
- **ROADS**-Degner reports on the double chip seal cost, he talked to Scott Construction who said it was a 1/3 of the price as blacktop. But bid reflects ½ the price as blacktop. \$40,000 mile for the double chip seal versus \$89,000 mile for cold mix as they don't have

a plant around here. He said the base is the biggest thing, you need to have 4 to 6" of good gravel or it's never going to work. Degner says we may want to consider it on some of the lower traffic roads, possibly the rest of Sawyer Creek, Tozer Lake Rd or Loop Rd. Degner also talked to a company out of Duluth that specializes in dust control and they charge \$250 to do a 200 foot strip in front of individual driveways. Roosevelt Township has been doing it for some time and it actually builds up over the years. Degner looked at boom mowing some of the roads, Sand Rd, Hilltop, Little Long Lake Rd access road but it might be too tight, Plainview Rd by Hansons, Green Valley from Tozer Lake Rd west, Honeybee Rd by Samsons, and Fox Trail. Discussion about prioritizing the worst roads (Hilltop, west side Honeybee, Bashaw Valley Rd, Plainview Rd, and Tozer Lake Rd) and getting Dan a list and getting an estimate on how much it's going to cost. Damon made a motion to approve spending \$4000 for boom mowing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kelbel. Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel, No (0). Motion carried. Damon reports there were several calls complaining about the gravel on the roads from the ditch mowing. Pat Harrington went up there with the grader to push it back. Damon called Dan and Dan reported it was a help shortage at the time. Taubman suggests opening all town roads to atv/utv traffic. Right now the township will allow it if the homeowners applies for it and buys the signs needed for that road. The application is up on our website. The township reviews the applications as they come in. Degner suggests adding it to the agenda for August. Taubman asked about the need for signs for Deaf Child Area, Degner said to go ahead and get them ordered for 2 roads. Taubman also reported on a need for getting Washburn County out for some spray patching on Bashaw St and Hilltop Rd. Degner agreed it needs to be done and to have them do it when they're in that area. Degner reports a need for pole sawing on Tozer Lake Rd of the pine trees and on Rainbow. Taubman also inquired about the petition to apply to the County for next year's cost share for culverts and bridges. The petition is due on Thursday 7/22/21. Discussion from the board on culvert sizes and culvert damage. Taubman will submit it with the culvert for Hilltop.

- **CULVERT REPLACEMENT ON SOUTH SPUR ROAD**-Degner got a call that they have a culvert that's shot and it needs to be fixed by fall. It needs to be shortened up so it doesn't stick out so far. Cost will be around \$1000.
- **TRUCK/GRADER**-Degner checked with Meyers on new truck and it's still set to be in the beginning of next year but it all depends on when they can get the plow on. Taubman reports he is getting the a/c fixed in the truck this week. Taubman reports he will take the scrape pile in as price is fairly high.
- **TOWNHALL**-None
- **SET NEXT MEETING DATE**-Tuesday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ The Town Hall.
- **APPROVE VOUCHERS**-Motion by Kelbel to approve vouchers 13301-13322 for \$157,994.30, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Damon. Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel, No (0). Motion carried.

- **ADJOURN MEETING**-Motion by Kelbel to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Damon. Yes (3) Degner, Damon, Kelbel. No (0). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned @ 7:46 p.m.

Amber Anderson, Clerk  
Town of Bashaw