

**HAVEN TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019**

The Haven Township Annual Meeting was held at the Haven Township Hall on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk Mike Zniewski. The Board members present were Chairman Jeff Schlingmann, Supervisor Mark Knowles, Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski, Clerk/Treasurer Mike Zniewski and Deputy Clerk Tammy Schefers. There were approximately a total of 13 people at the meeting.

SELECTION OF MODERATOR

Jeff Schlingmann nominated David Meyers to be the moderator for the meeting. The nomination was seconded by Mark Knowles. The motion carried.

MINUTES

The minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting were handed out in the packet for the residents to review. It was moved by Roger Plombon and seconded by Gloria Plombon to accept the March 13, 2018 Annual Minutes as printed. The motion carried.

CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT

Mike Zniewski gave the Clerk/Treasurer's Report. Haven Township is still a low Levy Township in Sherburne County. Roger Plombon made a motion to accept the Clerk Treasurer's Report as stated. Mark Knowles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

FIRE REPORT

Kathi Sims-Kosloski reported that the Township is in its seconded year of the 2-year Fire Contract with Sauk Rapids Fire Department. The cost of the Fire Contract for the second year will be \$51,106.00. Kathi Sims-Kosloski looked into the option of Dry Hydrants to be placed within the township. She found out that the water from the river was not deep enough and that it would not be close enough to the road for accesses to get the water supply needed. So currently, Dry Hydrants will not be placed within Haven Township.

ROAD & BRIDGE REPORT

Mark Knowles reported on the Road & Bridge. He talked about the snow plow process of the township and how we have had a lot of snow and drifting this year. If there are roads or areas that need to be addressed residents should call him or another Supervisor.

He also talked about the Sherwood Shores West Area 64th Street and 36th Avenue roads. The construction of this big road project has been started and hopefully will be resurfaced and completed in the summer/fall of 2019. This road project will use a good portion of the township finances. A rough estimate of this project is somewhere between the amount of \$450,000.00 - \$650,000.00.

Fixing potholes and tree trimming will also be considered in the budget for 2019 township road maintenance.

BUDGET

Jeff Schlingmann talked to the residents about the budget and what the Haven Township Board Recommends. After this discussion, it was moved by Roger Plombon to accept the budget proposal. Rodney Kozak seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Roger Plombon made a motion to accept and approve the recommended levy. Gary Kiffmeyer seconded the motion. The motion carried to set the following levy for 2019, payable in 2020:

Revenue:	\$ 71,000.00
Road & Bridge	\$335,000.00
Fire	<u>\$ 55,000.00</u>
Total Levy	\$461,000.00

GOPHER BOUNTY

It was recommended by Jeff Schlingmann and seconded by Mark Knowles that the gopher bounty stays at \$2.00 per pair of feet, for the year 2019. The motion carried.

CLEAN-UP DAY

The Annual spring clean-up day will be Saturday, May 11, 2019 at the Haven Township Hall. The hours will be from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. See the Spring Newsletter for more details.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Rodney Kozak had a couple of questions in regards to the budget. Clerk/Treasurer Mike Zniwski answered them.

Gloria Plombon asked about all the Solar Farms coming into the township. What do they use for weed control on these farms? She would like to see that the environment is kept safe without contaminating the ground with chemicals to control the weeds.

Another question was asked about the Solar Farms; what is the impact of the tax value? Does the tax value change being it is on Agricultural Land to Commercial? Does the Township benefit by having Solar Farms within the township?

Jeff Schlingmann will ask these questions the next time when he meets and talks with the Solar Farm Industry.

Tom Meyer asked when the bids will go out for the overlaying of the Sherwood Shores West road project. He also had concerns of the road washing out this year and drainage.

Mark Knowles stated that the bidding of that project will go out soon and he will watch the drainage and road washing out on all of the township roads. He also stated that if anyone sees anything that needs to be addressed with the roads, to please let him know or another Supervisor know so the issue can be taken care of.

SET TIME & DATE FOR NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

2020 Annual Meeting – Jeff Schlingmann made a motion to set the time and date for the next Annual Meeting. It will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 and start at 7:00 p.m. Mark Knowles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Gloria Plombon seconded by Tom Meyer that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Clerk/Treasurer

Chairman