

**Oxford Township  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 14, 2020**

The meeting was called to order by Sandy Hagan. Roll call was taken with Sandy, Mike, Harlan, Peggy, and Linnea present. Minutes of the last meeting were read with Mike Miller approving them, and Harlan Bellin seconding them. Peggy gave a treasurer's report with an itemized list of bills paid. Mike Miller approved the report and Harlan Bellin seconded it. For future meetings, the township is going to approve Peggy's overall report as well as all the bills at each meeting. Peggy read off all the bills to be paid tonight and they were all approved for payment when Mike Miller made a motion to approve, and Harlan Bellin seconded the motion. Oxford received an invoice for the Typo Creek Drive work. Mike Miller made a motion to approve the invoice and Harlan Bellin seconded the motion. In addition, Oxford signed off on the paperwork, which Mike will email to James Watters.

**Roads**

1. Roads are again snowy and slippery. Rick has already put down as more gravel than he used all of last year. Residents are encouraged to drive carefully.
2. Typo Creek Drive updates-James Watters was unable to attend the meeting.
  - a. Supervisors unanimously approved the current invoice, so James can send to Richard Heilman.
3. There is carpet on 253<sup>rd</sup> and at Danube that needs to be picked up.

**Old Business**

1. Isanti Area Joint Fire District update
  - a. Harlan- reported that runs are down about 3% from last year and that the Joint powers agreement is at a standstill.
  - b. Mike met with Jason Hill on Monday of last week. Jason is still trying to talk to Peter Tiede and get some information. He plans to be at our February meeting and would like to talk to the board about changes he would like to see throughout the document. Currently Oxford supervisors

do not get emails from the fire district meeting, and Mike would like to be added to the email list.

2. Linnea and Peggy are working on contacting election judges for the March Presidential Primary Election
  - a. Training dates were filled quickly so the county has added two additional sessions. Linnea will get the list of names of potential election judges to the supervisors by the next meeting for approval for the March election.
  - b. There is a new form from the state of MN that must be filled out for every employee of the state. Mike will email the form to Linnea and Peggy so they can fill out for the new election judges.

### **New Business**

1. Brian Johnson attended the meeting to give an update and see if we have any questions. The eleven county metro area passed a law for changing speed limit without an expensive study. Mike asked if we can get some support for LGA funding for roads. Last year townships were omitted and cities got the funding. He asked if Brian could support something on the house side with respect to funding in greater MN to help with bridges and roads. Mike gave an example that the city of Isanti has LGA funding and is using it for fire costs while still charging the township. Townships have over 55,000 miles of roads in this state, so Mike feels strongly about supporting this issue.
2. Isanti County Township Officers Association invites all to a meeting at Cambridge Government Center, Thursday Jan 30, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Sandy is planning to go.
3. Board of Review calendar will be posted by Linnea
4. Isanti County Auditor-Treasurer- Report of Outstanding Indebtedness needs to be completed by February 1, 2020. Sandy reviewed and Linnea will send in.
5. Exclusion Report for the calendar year ending December 31, 2019 is due to PERA no later than February 28, 2020. Peggy already completed the form and Sandy will sign tonight.
6. Oxford Building permits

| Date       | Last Name           | First Name | Contractor          | Address            | City  | Month    | Township | Parcel ID#  | Zoning | Construction   |
|------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|----------|----------|-------------|--------|----------------|
| 11/4/2019  | Rivard              | Tim        | Air Mechanical      | 9080 254th Ct NE   | Stacy | November | Oxford   | 08.060.0120 | Ag/res | Garage Furnace |
| 11/14/2019 | Sherco Construction |            | Sherco Construction | 24705 Baylor St NE | Stacy | November | Oxford   | 08.062.0050 | Ag/Res | SFD            |
| 11/26/2019 | Tuma                | Andrew     | Ungerma Inc.        | 5645 263rd Ave NE  | Stacy | November | Oxford   | 08.007.1201 | Ag/res | Fire Repair    |

7. LTAP classes-Sandy will review and see if there are any classes Oxford should attend.
8. Dick Asleson attended our meeting and wants to know what is going on with Typo Creek Drive, and why his taxes were almost doubled. Mike gave history of the Typo Creek Drive project, and told Dick that the road levy was increased at the annual meeting to bridge the gap and help pay for this road. The board thought that some of the new houses would offset the increase in resident taxes, but the offset wasn't as much as anticipated. Mike recommended that he attend the upcoming March annual meeting to vote on the levy. Dick stated that he thinks the taxes are too high. He lives on Cty Rd 12 and feels he is subsidizing improvements for people who live on gravel. He asked the supervisors to explore ways to assess adjacent properties more than the whole township since curb appeal increases should be paid for by the people who are benefitting. Dick also asked if there was a way to get Oxford residents more involved to show up for the annual meeting. Mike invited Dick to come to the Capital with him to talk about road funding, and will follow up with Dick about possible dates.

Mike Miller made a motion to adjourn, and Harlan Bellin seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Linnea Lentz  
 Oxford Township Clerk  
 January 14, 2020