

**Regular Meeting  
Oxford Township  
6/12/2018**

The meeting was called to order by Sandy Hagan. Roll call was taken with Sandy, Harlan, Mike, Peggy and Linnea present. Minutes of the last meeting were read. Mike made a motion to accept and Harlan seconded it. Peggy gave a treasurer's report which Mike made a motion to accept, and Sandy seconded.

**Roads**

1. Typo Creek Drive updates
  - a. Bid information and bid rejection discussion. Bid opening was held June 5 at the town hall, and 3 bidders were present. Bid amounts were read from each of the 3 companies. Currently, grants that Oxford has received total around \$700,000. Unfortunately, even the lowest bid is way over our budget to do this project. Oxford is going to reject the bids, so nothing is going to happen this year. The rationale behind not accepting the bid is that the grant money will not cover the cost, and the balance would require our entire road budget. Residents that live along Typo Creek Drive had some questions for the supervisors about options moving forward, especially pertaining to the curve. There was some discussion about placing guardrails to improve safety of the curve as opposed to straightening the curve.
2. Weed inspection results from June 1 township tour with Darrick Wotachek. The areas with issues are listed in the addendum (see below). Mike felt that the time with Darrick was informative. The township plans to do some spot spraying and some mowing to control the problem areas.
3. Right of way permit fee discussion. Mike Miller made a motion to set the ROW fee at \$300. If there is any damage, the company is responsible for any amount over the fee. Harlan seconded the motion.

**Old Business**

1. Driveway permits
  - a. In the last month, three driveway permits have been issued on Baylor for Sherco Construction, and one for Jeff Doyle on Vassar just north of Cty Rd 9. The three permits from SherCo were not filled out, so Sandy is going to complete them. Mike wants to look at the SherCo driveway locations to determine if they need culverts. However, no culvert will be required for Jeff Doyle's driveway. Rick suggested that they be mindful of the spring thaw, not just rain.
2. Donald John Plat update- nothing new to report.
3. IAJFD update
  - a. Rodeo being held in July
  - b. More training conducted
  - c. Run report in April had an average 9 minute response rate
  - d. Next meeting is at Station 3 next Wednesday at 7:00

### **New Business**

1. Election Judge training dates will be posted.
2. State demographer population and household estimate report. 2017 population estimate: 940 and household estimate: 334
3. Isanti County Board of Adjustment: Request of Reliable Land and Trust, LLC to restore a building right to the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ that were previously deemed non-buildable within a variance request dated October 27, 1981. Legal Description is the W1/2 of the NW ¼ fct of Section 19, Township 34, Range 22, Oxford township. Meeting is June 14, 2018 at 9 am in the County Board room of the Government center. Sandy will attend this meeting.
4. Oxford township building permits issued April and May. Linnea will post the information for those interested.
5. Flower fund –The township sent flowers to the Barnes family for Roland's funeral. Mike will check with the MAT legal team to see if this is appropriate. We will table this discussion until the next meeting.

6. MAT summer courses June 18-28, 2018. Mike is going to the Duluth session June 28<sup>th</sup>. Harlan and Sandy are not able to attend.
7. LTAP classes will be posted.
8. Vicki asked if the supervisors called the Isanti County News. They did not, and Sandy will call them this week.
9. MAT lobbied for 4 things this year
  - a. Road tax- wanted to get an additional 4 million
  - b. No Net gain – doesn't affect our township as much as townships to the north.
  - c. Broadband for better rural service
  - d. Annexation changes.

None of these passed this year. Mike will work to have developers responsible for road improvement cost sharing for the legislative session next year.

10. Rick said roads were all graded today, and that they are in good shape. Mike wants to put a layer of limerock on Nebula. Rick thinks that we need gravel on the sandy section of Fuhrman. Mike told Rick to put limerock on both areas where needed. Rick estimates around \$15,000 to get both done.

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

June 12, 2018

Linnea Lentz

Oxford Clerk

#### Addendum

Weed Issues identified:

Knapweed along primarily the north side of 259th Ave. NE.

Potomac has at least 4 large patches of spurge primarily along the east side.

Black locust and knapweed and some hairy vetch along 254th court.

Knapweed on 253rd Ave. east of Cty #18 seems to be primarily on the south side of the road.

Knapweed on 253rd Ave. west of Cty #18 seems to be primarily on the north side of the road.

Spurge and knapweed both in Keith Guy's driveway north of the west part of 253rd Ave. Knapweed up and down both sides of Xingu.

Leafy spurge in the field south of 263rd Ave. and east of Cty #12 covers the area around the chicken shed.

Knapweed along Furman south of Cty #9 primarily on the west side of the road. Treated with insects and will likely (availability) be treated again with insects as well as the field area at the south end of Furman.