

Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisors met in a regular board meeting on Tuesday, March 06, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at Southside Town hall, Wright County, Minnesota. The following members were present: Chairman Jim Hallstrom, Supervisors Tim Hable & John Reynolds and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Lonnie Hendricks, Christine Husom & Jeffrey Burkhardt.

Chairman Hallstrom led the pledge of allegiance.

Supv Hable made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2018 meeting. Supv Reynolds seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no one present for the public forum.

Chairman Hallstrom will work with township attorney Matt Brown for an easement agreement with Mid Continent for expansion of their internet and cable lines in the township.

Jeffrey Burkhardt was present to review the 2017 audit report. The township received a clean report.

Total receipts over disbursements for 2017 were \$104,403. This was due in part to funds set aside for street projects, a savings in snow and ice removal and road repairs. The Board is planning a street project for 2018 which will use a majority of the funds so the project can be completed without assessing local property owners.

Jeff presented a bid for audit work for Southside Township for year ended:

December 31, 2018	Audit fee \$5,580	State Auditor Report \$250
December 31, 2019	Audit fee \$5,750	State Auditor Report \$250
December 31, 2020	Audit fee \$5,900	State Auditor Report \$250

Supv Hallstrom made a motion to approve the bid for the 2018-2020 audit for Burkhardt & Burkhardt LTD for the following fees:

December 31, 2018	Audit fee \$5,580	State Auditor Report \$250
December 31, 2019	Audit fee \$5,750	State Auditor Report \$250
December 31, 2020	Audit fee \$5,900	State Auditor Report \$250

Supv Reynolds seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Christine Husom, Wright County Commissioner, was present to update the Board on County Board work. The Commissioners met with State Legislators last month. The MNLARS program was discussed. The state has spent \$100 million dollars on this program and it is not working. There are several small deputy registrar offices that are experiencing financial difficulties due to the overtime they are paying employees to get the work done. The Commissioners have requested the state reimburse these small office owners for the extra costs associated with MNLARS program.

The state is working on a Text911 system so people can use text to report emergencies. It is being piloted in several small sites to make sure it is ready for full state implementation.

The county will be opening bids on the new courthouse facility in April 2018. The project is to be completed in spring 2020. The county is doing a space study of the current courthouse to see if it can be used for the human services department.

The county will be doing a classification and compensation study for County employees. They have interviewed 3 companies and will make a recommendation at the next meeting. The study would be completed by May 2019 which would allow time for employee and department comments and review before implementation.

An IT committee has been established at the County and is working on getting the department up to date and organized so all programs used at the county will work together. Departments have been using programs that work for their needs but are not compatible with other county department software. This committee will study the needs of all departments and determine programs that work across the system.

The Duininck Bros review of existing CUP was tabled until April meeting so the Board can review the CUP conditions.

The Board finalized the 2019 budget for presentation at the annual meeting on March 13.

Chairman Hallstrom will contact Central Applicators to get a price for doing a noxious weed inventory in the township.

A letter from County Engineer Virgil Hawkins states he reviewed the water issue along 97<sup>th</sup> ST NW and County Rd 3. It was determined the construction project did not substantially alter the existing drainage patterns and has not contributed to the standing water issue along the road. Chairman Hallstrom has obtained a permit application to place a culvert under County Rd 3 to help with the water issue.

The following bills were approved as presented:

<b>Check #</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Cash Account</b>	<b>Amount</b>
6733	3/6/18	Adam's Pest Control Inc.	100-10100	124.62
6734	3/6/18	Annandale Advocate	100-10100	37.44
6735	3/6/18	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	9,270.00
6736	3/6/18	Minnesota Benefit Association	100-10100	325.00
		Meeker Cooperative Light & Power		
6737	3/6/18	Assoc	100-10100	39.00
6738	3/6/18	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	29.13
6739	3/6/18	Windstream	100-10100	42.41
6740	3/6/18	Waste Management	100-10100	2,824.64
6741	3/6/18	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	868.59
6742	3/6/18	James Hallstrom	100-10100	80.71
6743	3/6/18	Timothy A. Hable	100-10100	166.23
6744	3/6/18	John H. Reynolds	100-10100	83.11
		Public Employees Retirement		
sompet000454788	3/6/18	Association	100-10100	152.60
<b>Total</b>				<b><u>14,043.48</u></b>

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.