Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisors met for the regular Board meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2023. The following members were present: Chairman Jim Hallstrom, Supervisors Marty Ferguson and Dan Berg, and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Jeremy Kaskinen, Eric Hendricks, Tim Ferrell, Nathan Ferrell, Bernie Miller and Megan Caird.

Chairman Hallstrom called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2023, regular meeting with a second by Supervisor Hallstrom. Motion carried.

Rate

Two 2024 Maintenance bids were received: Hendricks Sand and Gravel submitted the following bid:

Southside Township Bid 2024 Hendricks Sand & Gravel Inc PO Box 216 12037 St Hwy 55Kimball Mn 55353

Service

Service	Nate
	4450.00
Graders - Grading Roads	\$160.00 per hour
Graders - Snow Plowing	\$170.00 per hour
Trucks Plowing Snow	\$170.00 per hour
Sanding Trucks	\$170.00 per hour
Quad Dump Truck	\$115.00 per hour
14 Yard Scraper & Tractor	\$175.00 per hour
Skid Loaders	\$170.00 per hour
4 Wheel Drive Loader/3 Yard Bucket	\$170.00 per hour
Trackhoe	\$175.00 per hour
Cat D4 Dozer	\$170.00 per hour
Class 5 Gravel/Delivered	\$18.75 per Yard
Fill & Pit Run Gravel/Delivered	\$13.00 per Yard
Screened Gravel/Delivered	\$12.50 per Yard

Pickup and Man - Snow Plow \$100.00 per hour Extra Man \$75.00 per hour Tractor Mowing Grass \$110.00 per hour Brush Cutter on Skid Loader \$175.00 per hour

Cold Patch \$265.00 per ton

\$35.00 per bag

Insurance on file/Submitted 12-1-23

We are requesting a guaranteed monthly payment of \$8000.00 for the months of November, December, January, February and March.

Motion by Supervisor Berg, second by Supervisor Ferguson to accept the bid from Hendricks Sand and Gravel for 2024 road maintenance. Motion carried.

The following bid was received from Norgren Tree Service for brush control along Township roads:

Southside Township Bid 2024

Submitted by: Jeremy Kaskinen Norgren

Tree Service Inc. 14799 90th Street NW South Haven, MN 55382 Phone: 320-236-7715

Services include tree trimming, tree removal, and brush removal, as directed by the township council.

Equipment list: 60' bucket truck with chip box, 12" diesel chipper, skid loader with attachments, 16' dump trailer, chainsaws, brush cutters, climbing gear, etc.

Regular Hourly Rate: \$175.00 per hour (Monday thru Friday 7am-7pm). Any equipment needed to complete work: 2-man crew.

Emergency and after hours: Same as regular hourly rate with a 2.5 hour minimum

Norgren Tree Service does not charge for the disposal of wood, brush and chips, or travel time spent reviewing roads.

Norgren Tree Service guarantees to be fully insured. See attached copy of liability insurance.

Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to accept the bid of Norgren Tree Service for 2024 with a second by Supervisor Berg. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ferguson brought up drainage issues on Porter Ave NW. The change to 62nd St NW causes large amounts of water to be directed to Porter. The Board will look at this in April 2024.

Arbor Creek Holdings, LLC has put their CUP request on hold until further notice.

Tim Ferrell was present to request a 5-year extension to his conditional use permit for the gravel pit on 67th St NW, 1388. 67th ST NW. The current CUP expires on 12/31/2023. He would like the extension so he can remove the stockpile and complete reclamation on the pit. He is looking for a Interim Use Permit for 5 years. He doesn't feel it will take the entire 5 years but would like the time so they can do it as bids come in. Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve the request for an interim user permit for 5 more years beginning 01/01/2024 through 12/31/2028 to continue to remove the stockpiles and reclaim the pit. The township has not had any complaints in the 10 years the pit was open. Supervisor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bernie Miller was present as a representative for Leigh Nelson, 15327 76th ST NW, variance request. Ms. Nelson purchased the home so she could get back to Lake Sylvia where she grew up. The cabin is only 768 sq ft. She does not want to build a big house but would like improvements to the screened porch and deck to make the house more useable. The cabin is non-conforming. It does not meet the 15' side lot set back on the west side, it is 10.8 ft. The existing patio and proposed deck is 61.7' from the OHW of the lake. They are planning for a garage and boat house at some point but neither require a variance. The existing screen porch is 8x16. The planned addition is 8x16 so the final porch will be 16x16. The existing impervious surface is 7.2 % and will be 11.4%, including driveway for garage once complete. The current lot coverage is 13.8% and will be 24.2% once the garage and boat house are built. The deck will be expanded to cover the stairs and patio and will be removed from the side of the home. A new well and holding tanks will be installed. It would be difficult to install a drain field due to the location of the neighbors well. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the variance request as presented for the 8x16 screen porch addition and the change to the deck

configuration. The impervious lot coverage will be 11.4% and total lot coverage will be 24.2%, a new will and holding tank will be installed. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLUTION 2023-03 SOUTHSIDE TOWNSHIP WRIGHT COUNTY, MINNESOTA RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ANNUAL POLLING PLACE

WHEREAS, it is important that citizens exercise their right to vote at their local polling place;

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. 204B.16 requires the town board to designate its local polling place for election by December 31 each year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the town board of Southside Township, Wright County, Minnesota does hereby designate Southside Town Hall at 8209 County Road 3 NW, Annandale in Wright County as its polling place for all state and federal elections in 2024;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the township notify residents of this designation by following the requirements of Minn. Stat. 205.16.

Supervisor Hallstrom seconded the motion. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

The following bills were approved as presented:

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Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
online ach	12/4/23	Google LLC	100-10100	6.00
7916	12/4/23	WSB & Associates	100-10100	6,831.00
7919	12/4/23	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	134.27
7907	12/5/23	City of Annandale	100-10100	24,876.00
7908	12/5/23	City of South Haven	100-10100	24,649.50
7909	12/5/23	B&N Signs	100-10100	25.00
7910	12/5/23	Couri & Ruppe, PLLP	100-10100	400.00
7911	12/5/23	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	9,692.59
7912	12/5/23	Meeker Cooperative Light & Power Assoc	100-10100	47.00
7913	12/5/23	Annandale Advocate	100-10100	50.40
7914	12/5/23	Waste Management	100-10100	3,822.84
7915	12/5/23	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	360.19
7917	12/5/23	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	1,047.10

7918	12/5/23	James Hallstrom	100-10100	99.21
7920	12/5/23	Dan Berg	100-10100	92.35
SOMPER000728045	12/6/23	Public Employees Retirement Association	100-10100	182.00
Total				72,315.45

Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to switch internet provider to Starlink if the set-up costs are under \$1,000. Supervisor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The internet has not worked for the past two meetings and is unreliable.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.