

Wacouta Township
October 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Following is the written text of the business transacted by the Wacouta Board of Supervisors at its monthly meeting held on September 11, 2023. Board members present were: Supervisors John Plehal, George Thoma; Daryl Franklin was absent. Laan Dommer, Clerk/Treasurer was also in attendance. The meeting was held at the town hall, 27700 Grace Trail, Red Wing, Minnesota.

- 1) Chair John Plehal called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Approval of the September 11, 2023 minutes: Thoma moved to approve the minutes of 9/11/2023; seconded by Plehal. The motion carried.
- 3) Old Business
 - a) Web site improvements: The township website is still being improved.
- 4) New Business
 - a) Roads and trail:
 - i) Fall maintenance projects: Plehal reviewed some recent projects. First, the gravel on Sevastopol Road near the golf course is being improved by USG. Secondly, Bruce Holst is doing pothole and gravel repair with aggregate on Wildwood Lane (*near the Round Barn*).
 - ii) Signage update: Thoma discussed the recent signs that are being replaced on the trail. The road signs on Sevastopol have been completed. Others on lower Wacouta are still in the process of being placed.
 - b) Planning & Zoning: No permits were discussed.
 - c) Town Hall & Cemetery
 - i) Cemetery survey status: Plehal stated that the surveyors' intentions are to start and finish the cemetery survey in this next week.
 - ii) Tree planning update: The seven ash trees in the cemetery and town hall areas have been removed. Discussion was started about

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replacement of some of these trees by donation. Several questions came up about policies regarding donations and placements of trees in the cemetery. There was no consensus at this time, pending Franklin's input. Franklin and Dommer will talk with those current individuals who have been interested in donations before proceeding. Further implementation of a policy for donation and/or planting of trees will have to be established.

5) Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2023

- a) Pay Bills – Amount of 'checks for approval' (*disbursements & payroll*) –
\$ 5,551.09.

Plehal moved to accept the claims and checks for approval of \$ 5,551.09; seconded by Thoma. The motion carried.

Dommer asked for pre-approval of a check for Acer Tree Removal for \$6363.00. Plehal moved to pre-approve the check for \$6363- to Acer; seconded by Thoma. The motion carried.

- 6) Thoma moved to adjourn; seconded by Plehal. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM.
- 7) The next meeting of the Wacouta Board of Supervisors is Monday, November 13, 2023, at 6:00 PM, Wacouta Town Hall, 27700 Grace Trail, Red Wing, Minnesota.

- submitted by Laan Dommer