

Pelican Township Annual Meeting
March 12, 2019
Pelican Rapids Fire Hall
4:00 PM

Clerk Nelson called the 2019 Pelican Township Annual Meeting to order at 4:00 PM as had been published in the notice and asked the Board and residents to join him in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Board Members present, Paul Restad, Lance Haugrud, Dennis Ouren, Sheila Johnson, and Lloyd Nelson, others present, Don Schroeder, Katie, and Mitchell Egge

Mitchell Egge was elected as Moderator and Lloyd turned the meeting over to him.

Previous Year's Annual Meeting Minutes were approved as read

Treasurer's Report – For Year Ended 2018 was approved as read

Old Business – Don mentioned that he still had some work to do on Skunk Hill Road; would like the Boards input related to the slope and so forth. Board will review when they do the road check this spring.

New Business

Paul presented a recap of road projects in 2018 and plans for 2019. Primarily did regular maintenance in 2018; though did extra work on grading and gravel after residents complained last fall. For 2019; plan to resurface North Prairie Lake Road, seal coat monument beach road, and put additional dust guard down on heavily travelled township roads, 10 – 12 miles worth. Also look at work on old Fergus Road to bring in new base material to try to address frost boils and surface of the road degradation.

Lloyd presented the recommendation from the Town Board for the Tax Levy, \$180,000. \$125,000 for Road and Bridge, \$20,000 for Fire Fund, and \$35,000 for the General Fund. The levy amounts were determined by reviewing the actual spend in 2018 and the projections for 2019 based upon road projects, balance in accounts, etc. He noted that the total levy has been at \$180,000 for the past five years.

Lance moved and Paul seconded to set the annual levy at \$180,000. Carried.

Lloyd presented the grant funding requests that had been received from the Otter Tail County Historical Society and the Pelican Rapids Public Library. Don moved and Dennis seconded to recommend funding the Library at \$4,000 and Otter Tail County Historical Society at \$500.00, the same level as last year. Carried. Two other funding requests were not recommended as they are not in the immediate area.

Discussion of establishing a recognition amount that the Township could spend to recognize outgoing members; haven't had a formal amount before and the board has simply split the cost. Don moved and Katie seconded to allow spending up to \$100.00 for recognition.

Time and Place for next Annual Meeting – second Tuesday in March, 2020, at 4:00 PM in the Firehall.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00.

Lloyd Nelson, Clerk