

**Bridgewater Township Work Session**  
**County of Rice, State of Minnesota**  
**April 12, 2019**  
**Official Minutes**

Call to order at 1:00 pm

Roll Call: Gary Ebling, Glen Castore, John Holden, Frances Boehning,

Guests: Jeff Rock, Gary Rock, John McCarthy

- Rock Field Water Drainage.
  - Gary Ebling reviewed the current water drainage situation from Bridgewater Heights through Gary Rock's field.
  - A suggestion was made to place a grass water way where the swale is to ensure that the water continues to drain to the culvert under Hwy 246.
  - Gary Rock and Jeff Rock are not willing to discuss the possibility of a grass water way or easement through their field. They are willing to continue talking to Rice County to keep the water on the south side of Cty Rd 1.
  
- Central Pond Flood Mitigation
  - Glen Castore made a motion to have the Board authorize the engagement of Sauro & Bergstrom, PLLC for support on Central Pond issues, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved.
  
- Equipment
  - Glen Castore made a motion to have the Board authorize the purchase of a 2019 MACK GRANITE 42FR SA truck from Nuss Truck and Equipment for the State bid price of \$118,577.00 and authorizes the purchase of auxiliary equipment for the same truck from Tow master Truck Equipment for \$100,099.00. Gary Ebling seconded, all approved.
    - Mike Groth reviewed the truck specs including extra blades, and sand/salt system. A bed liner will need to be added at a later date.
    - Mike Groth believes the old truck could be sold for \$60,000 - \$80,000.
    - The new truck will have better traction due to a longer wheel base and more weight. The new truck will work better for the township.
  
- Meeting with Dundas to discuss Incorporation
  - Glen Castore made a motion to have the Clerk request a meeting with Dundas between May 13 and May 31. The agenda topics will include:
    - 1. Changes to the Annexation Agreement (as required in Section --- of the Annexation Agreement)
    - 2. Bridgewater Incorporation
      - a. Compensation for infrastructure excess capacity
      - b. Status of Annexation Agreement post incorporation
      - c. Other issues
    - 3. Date for next meeting.
  
- Comp Plan
  - Glen Castore noted that the outline for the Comprehensive Plan was being sent to Carolyn Braun and to John Klockeman.

- Incorporation
  - Glen Castore reviewed information discussed with Peter Tiede. Peter Tiede will provide the paperwork submitted and copies of the public hearing from the incorporations of Grant, Forest, and Columbus.
  - Gary Ebling reviewed past discussions regarding land use and land transfers. He also reviewed a report provided by the Twin Cities Housing Builders Association. The Supervisors had a short discussion regarding residential housing costs.
  - Gary Ebling reviewed what he knows about community wells.
  - Glen Castore will provide information at a later meeting regarding community wells and septic.
  
- Roads
  - John Holden reviewed a request from Northfield Township regarding use of the sprayer. The Supervisors agreed that Northfield Township could use the sprayer at no cost as they have helped Bridgewater in the past by allowing us the use of their snow plow during the winter.
  - Northfield Township will hire their own operator and purchase their own chemicals.
  - John Holden will continue to oversee noxious weeds this summer.
  - A short discussion regarding placing gravel on the roads was held.

Adjourn – Gary Ebling made a motion to adjourn

Chair	
Clerk	