

SEPTEMBER 9, 2025, TUESDAY, TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING 6:00 PM, CROW WING TOWN HALL

Board Members Present: Chairman Nathan Hulinsky, Supervisor Doug Kern, Supervisor Paul Stephany, Treasurer Lori Thramer, and Clerk Sue Kern.

The Regular Town Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Residents were reminded to sign the roster. There were no gopher bounties.

Approval of Agenda: Doug made a motion to approve the agenda as written. Paul seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Public Comments: It was noted that the electrical box door had been removed at the pavilion. A resident had questions regarding mailboxes being put on the swing away arms & his driveway.

New Business: MP ASPHALT: Phil Ralston spoke to the Supervisors regarding crack sealing. His company was to do the crack sealing by July 15th, and he could not fulfill that timeline and the Board cancelled the work. This was discussed again during the Road Report. **Domain - .gov:** After discussion, Doug made a motion to go forward and change our website to a .gov domain. Paul seconded. No discussion. Passed 3-0.

Unfinished Business: Sourcewell Funding: The Supervisors discussed a 14' tandem axel trailer (\$5,300) vs. a 16' trailer (for an additional \$150) to haul the smaller tractor as our current trailer cannot safely support the weight. Doug made a motion to approve getting the baby changing table, front tires for the township tractor and a trailer through **Sourcewell match or boost funding** if possible. Paul seconded the motion. No discussion. Passed 3-0.

Planning Commission Report: Rezone Ordinance: With the full support of the Planning Commission, a rezone was brought forward of 10-acre parcel from Ag/Forestry to Rural Residential-10. Doug made a motion to approve the Rezone Ordinance from Ag/Forestry to RR-10. Nathan seconded the motion. No discussion. Passed 3-0. **CUP:** The conditional use permit was reviewed. **Violations:** Five certified violation letters were sent out to residents. Paul made a motion that residents in violation be fined \$100 a month if not working on cleaning up of their property on a case-by-case basis after the third notice with the authority of the Planning Commission. Nathan seconded. No discussion. Passed 3-0.

Treasurer's Report: Payroll was reviewed and approved. Claims #2694 to #2715 were reviewed and approved.

Road Report: The Board discussed crack sealing the township roads. The MP Asphalt representative stated the roads would be routed out before filling and stated it was of good value to preserve the roads and can be done into the Fall above 40 degrees. After consideration, Doug made the motion to re-approve the crack sealing bid with MP Asphalt for \$118,200 as was previously bid. Paul seconded the motion. The work will be completed by October 15th. Motion carried unanimously. **Sweet Road BID:** Sweet Road is in dire need of repair and there have been many complaints. Doug made the motion to have S&K place 1000 yards of Class 5 to Sweet Road at the rate of \$20,000. Nathan seconded the motion. No discussion. Passed 3-0. **Fort Ripley Agreement of 40th – Update:** 40th is a shared road between Fort Ripley and Crow Wing Townships. A signed agreement with Fort Ripley has not been found. Doug has talked with the Chair of Fort Ripley. The cost of gravel will be nearly doubling in the next week or so. The road is in dire need of repair and there have been multiple complaints. Doug made a motion to approve S&K to place 1000 yards of Class 5 to 40th at the rate of \$20,000 and to contact the Fort Ripley Board and ask them to contribute half. Nathan seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. **Ditch Mowing:** Ditch mowing is not yet completed. S&K will complete the ditch mowing but their equipment is broken down, and parts are on order and will not be in for 2-3 weeks. The township tractor's front tires are in extremely poor condition and a safety hazard and need replacement. Doug made a motion that if Sourcewell denies tire replacement as a **match or boost funding revenue** that new front tires for the tractor be purchased and installed. Paul seconded the motion. No further discussion. Passed 3-0. **Culvert repair on 50th** was discussed. **Damage to 70th** occurred from someone driving in/out of the ditches tearing up the gravel.

Cemetery Report: No new burials.

Fire Administration: You can get your fire/smoke alarm or carbon monoxide detector checked for free by appointment.

Administrative Business: CWC Hazard Mitigation Meeting, September 23rd and on October 28th, 1-3:00

Disaster Response and Recovery Workshop (Nisswa) October 15th 8:30-3:30

CWCATO Meeting, October 22nd 7:00 pm in Fort Ripley

Communications: Miscellaneous mail was reviewed.

Approval of Minutes: August 12, 2025, meeting minutes were reviewed. Doug made a motion to approve them with one small correction. Paul seconded. No discussion. Passed 3-0.

Adjournment: With no further business; meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.