Minutes Dovre Township Meeting 3/3/25

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Sherry Jean Larson, Marie Ostby, Keith Quale, Rob Orsten, Bruce Peterson (by phone), Teren Novotny, Jordan Albrecht, Pat Jacobs

Guests: Barry Pederson, Jaimie Boonstra, Samuel and Anna Nelson, Doug Braithwaite, Carla Peterson (by phone)

Approval of Minutes 2/3/25: Supervisor Quale moved to approve, Supervisor Orsten seconded and motion carried.

Fire Report: none

Treasurers Report: Teren presented the balance sheet and profit and loss statement through January, 2025. Supervisor Orsten moved to approve, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

Spring Short Course: Willmar, March 27, 2025 Bruce Peterson, Teren Novotny and Jordan Albrecht will attend. A check will be issued for prepayment.

Approval of Orders: Supervisor Ostby moved to approve the orders, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried. Supervisor Peterson abstained.

New Business:

- Access Application: Samuel Nelson: Supervisor Peterson has viewed and recommends approval. Supervisor Peterson moved to approve, Supervisor Ostby seconded. The Nelson's were present at the meeting. They are aware that the road will be done and will have a gravel driveway.
- **Boonstra Blading**: Bid and three year bid option Jaimie Boonstra attended the meeting and presented a quote for the next year. The contract includes a \$15,000 guarantee per month for December through March and \$5000 per month for April through Nov. Supervisor Quale moved to approve the bid and accept a three year contract. Supervisor Orsten seconded and motion carried.
- **Vreeman Construction:** Bid for gravel. Supervisor Quale moved to accept the bid for class 5 gravel, Supervisor Ostby seconded and motion carried.

- **Barry Pederson:** Where can I get a burn permit? Barneys, Also mentioned that the driveway has washed out again. He will contact Duinicks
- **Doug Braithwaite:** Present to ask questions about Long Lake Road
- **Crow River Construction chloride bid:** 38% solution 1.88/gal (increase of .10) Supervisor Quale moved to accept the bid, Supervisor Ostby seconded. The clerk will send residents notice and it will be posted on the website. Motion carried.
- Review of Agenda for Annual Meeting 3/11/25
 Supervisor Orsten moved to approve the agenda items, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried. Supervisor Ostby moved to approve the agenda, Supervisor Orsten
- **Discussion with the county for planning and zoning:** Some supervisors met with the county. The idea of a joint powers agreement was discussed. This will be further discussed at the county township association meeting on March 31.

Establish Budget and Levy

- Town Road Distribution: 52877.18
- **Assessments due in 2025**: 8th St. 36025.68, Broadband 25656.18, <u>Total</u> 61682.64
- Fire Contracts: Willmar 54273.30, Spicer 51976, Pennock 12224.34

Budget:	2025	Proposed 2026
Fire	90,000	135,000
General	85,000	100,000
Road/Bridge	700,000	700,000
LGA	22,000	23,000
Total	897,000	958,000
Levy	2025	Proposed 2026
General	804230	844123
Misc. Income 48,000		61682
Town Road	44770	52877

Increase of 5%

Supervisor Ostby moved to accept the proposed budget of 958,000 and levy of 844,123, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

Update on Assessment process/policy: The feasibility report was received for auxillary roads . An improvement hearing was tentatively scheduled for May 8^{th} or May 15^{th} as an alternative date. A motion will be needed at the April meeting to hold the improvement hearing.

The Long Lake road plans are with Kandiyohi County for approval. The Board received final plans for Long Lake road. Motion by Supervisor Ostby to approve **Resolution 2025-002 Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertisement for Bids**. Second by Supervisor Quale. Resolution 2025-002 is approved.

Construction easements will be needed for those areas that are prescriptive easements.

Information was distributed regarding interest for a bond

Identification of a bond attorney: Pended for April

Structural Evaluation for the bridge: The engineer will be invited to the next meeting. Suggestion for a ten year plan to replace the bridge with culverts. Nothing needs to be done at this time.

Liquor License: Liquor is being served without a permit-using "remote licenses". This will be discussed at the county association meeting. Dovre township may consider an ordinance.

Upcoming Meetings: 3/11/25 Dovre Annual Town Meeting 7:00 3/31/25 County Association Meeting 4/7/25 Dovre April Meeting 6:00 4/17/25 Board of Equalization 5-5:30

Supervisor Ostby moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Orsten seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

- Sherry Jean Larson, Chairperson	Pat Jacobs, Clerk