

SILVER BROOK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 21, 2019, 7:00 PM

Attendance: Duane Laveau, Brian Johnson, Randy Johnson, Deborah Nyberg and Alieca Johnson. County Commissioner Mark Thell and three others were present.

Damon Swenson from Carlton County Riders asked for permission for their club and others to use Matten, Cemetery and Maere Roads as an ATV designated route while repairs are made on Highway 23. Motion by Wolf; seconded by Johnson to allow Carlton County Riders to move forward with their plan. Motion carried.

County Commissioner Mark Thell gave an update on the proposed county sales tax increase to pay for the new jail, and he shared information on the pending utility tax lawsuits.

Two other residents were at the meeting to ask about ditching along Legarde Road. Duane will talk to John Laveau about repairing the ditches in that area.

The minutes of the Annual Town Meeting and Regular Meeting 03/12/19; Board of Equalization 04/03/19; and Annual Road Survey 5/2/19, were presented. Motion by Johnson; seconded by Wolf to approve the clerk's minutes as read. Motion carried.

Motion by Laveau; seconded by Johnson to approve the treasurer's report and to direct the treasurer to cash the 6-month CD at maturity. Motion carried.

Motion by Laveau seconded by Johnson to pay the township bills as submitted (check #s 7198-7211 and EFTIRS5/2019). Motion carried.

Gravel bids were received as follows:

	Class 5	Pit Run
Laveau Excavating	\$18.00/yd	\$14.00/yd
Kruger Dirt Werks	\$14.50/yd	\$11.50/yd

Motion by Laveau; seconded by Johnson to accept the bid of Kruger Dirt Werks. Motion carried.

County grading rates will be compared to those supplied by Laveau Excavating. Motion by Johnson; seconded by Wolf to contract for grading services at the lowest rate. Motion carried.

Motion by Laveau; seconded by Wolf to accept the quote of Jerry Telker for roadside mowing at \$1123. Motion carried.

One bid for the lawn care position at the town hall and cemetery was received from L & J Mowing at \$249/mowing plus \$50/mowing for moving flowers. This bid was quite a bit higher than what the township had been paying. L & J was contacted and they reduced their bid to \$50 for the town hall, and \$150 for the cemetery plus \$50/mowing to move flowers. Motion by Johnson; seconded by Wolf to reject the bid from L & J Mowing and to consider other options. Motion carried with Laveau abstaining. After discussion the motion was made by Wolf; seconded by Johnson to hire Duane Laveau for township mowing at \$200/mowing. Motion carried with Laveau abstaining.

Motion by Laveau; seconded by Wolf to hire Deb Nyberg to clean and town hall at \$15/hour. Motion carried.

Motion by Laveau; seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Alieca Johnson, Clerk (date)

Duane Laveau, Chairman (date)