

**Bridgewater Township Board of Supervisors**  
**County of Rice, State of Minnesota**  
**October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 4:00pm**  
**Official Minutes**

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Kathleen Kopseng, Thomas Hart, Andrew Ebling, Glen Castore, Larry Alderks, Lori Noreen, Matt Stordahl

**Approval of Agenda**

- It was requested to add “132<sup>nd</sup> St” and “Decker Ave” to the agenda.
- Andrew Ebling made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Larry Alderks seconded, all approved.

**Topics of Discussion:**

- Roads / Road Maintenance Plan
  - The Board reviewed budgeting spreadsheets provided by both Larry Alderks and Glen Castore regarding improving the asphalted roads in the Township. It was discussed to work on the roads that have a Pacer Rating of 4 or 5 now, as they are in the worst shape.
  - It was suggested that the Township could take on the roads in a tiering form. To begin the process to resurface the two developments with roads in the worst shape first, then in 2028 work on the next few when the debt from building the shed would be paid off.
  - There was a suggestion to postpone all resurfacing and do the lesser maintenance on all the roads.
  - Matt Stordahl stated that spreading out the roads in intervals of one or two roads every three years or so would be a good way to handle this resurfacing of the roads in the Township. He suggested to seal coat the roads with a rating of 6 to give those roads 5-10 years until they need resurfacing.
  - After discussion it was decided that the Township will do the 2 developments with the roads that have the lowest rating at this time. They would then do the next 2 with the next lowest rating in a few years (potentially 3 years). The Township will then give valid information that justifies the decision to the residents of the Township.
  - Andrew Ebling made a motion to have the engineering firm proceed with putting together bid packages for Bittersweet and Timberlane developments. Thomas Hart seconded the motion, all approved. With the approval of the motion, Matt Stordahl was given direction to proceed with preparing the bid documents. There is a potential that everything will be ready for a public hearing by January.
- 132<sup>nd</sup> St
  - The question was asked if the Township has received the waivers sent out to the 4 residents on the road. There has been only one returned.
  - It was suggested to hold off on taking action on the Resolution until the November meeting allowing more time to receive the other waivers. After discussion it was agreed to keep Discussion of the Resolution as an agenda item, as the residents were invited to attend the meeting and there is still time to receive the other waivers. If they do not attend the meeting or

waivers have not been received the Resolution can be tabled until the November meeting.

- Decker Ave/Improved Gravel
  - It was suggested that if the Township decides to do a test run of the “improved gravel” that a road like Decker, which is highly traveled, should be the one to try it on.
  - It was noted that the estimated cost is \$110K per mile.
  - It was discussed that Dennis Luebbe will be at the BOS meeting and can discuss with him any plans the County continues to pursue regarding Decker Ave.
  - It was questioned if the Township can assess the homeowners for the improved gravel in which there is some uncertainty. The question will be brought to the Township Attorney.
- Debt Service
  - It was noted that a resolution will be reviewed and acted upon at the next BOS meeting and the number to be paid back and then balance due needs to be determined. It was agreed that the amount to be paid back on the current bond will be \$880K leaving a \$300 note.

Adjourn

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| Chair |
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