

Rich Valley Township
Annual Meeting Minutes
March 12th, 2024

Minutes prepared by Bailey Nordmann, Rich Valley Township Clerk.

Bailey Nordmann opened the 2024 Annual meeting at 7:00pm.

Bailey Nordmann asked for an election of a moderator. Faye Bruckschen motioned to appoint Bernie Koktan as the moderator. Roger Schmidt seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bailey Nordmann reviewed the 2023 Annual meeting minutes to the residents attending. Chuck Herdegen motioned to approve the 2023 Annual meeting minutes. Faye Bruckschen seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bailey Nordmann presented to the residents in attendance the 2023 balance statement, profit and loss and budget. Joey Schauer motioned to approve the 2023 balance statement, profit and loss sheet, and the 2024 budget. Dale Kosek seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bailey Nordmann presented the 2025 Levy:

General Revenue - \$1,000

Road & Bridge - \$63,000

Fire Contracts - \$1,000

Chuck Herdegen motioned to approve the 2025 Levy. Joey Schauer seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Silver Lake fire department approached the board. Chief Dale Kosek, Lieutenant Joey Schauer, Firefighter McCoy Ziechek handed out the Silver Lake Fire Department report for 2023. Chief Dale Kosek informed the residents and board members about the \$30,000.00 increase for purchases for new hoses and an increase in retirement. Silver Lake Fire Department is looking for a \$20,605.00 contribution. Roger Schmidt motioned to pass the 2024 Fire Contact of \$20,605.00. Chuck Herdegen seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Lieutenant Joey Schauer of the Silver Lake Fire Department approached the board about being \$50,000.00 short of being able to purchase new packs for the firemen. Rich Valley Townships portion will be \$6,966.00 and split between 4 years. Mark Reinert motioned to approve. RaNay Lentsch seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Silver Lake Ambulance approached the board. Chief Ashley Ardolf-Mason represented the Silver Lake Ambulance and handed out the annual 2023 report. Chief Ashley Ardolf-Mason informed the board about the budget and that the Silver Lake Ambulance is in the process of being replaced. Chief Ashley Ardolf-Mason is asking \$9,974 for the 2024 Silver Lake

Ambulance contract. Roger Schmidt motioned to approve the Silver Lake Ambulance contract of \$9,974.00. Joey Schauer seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Fire Chief Cory Schiedt and Fire Fighter Nick Eischens of the Glencoe Fire Department approached the board. Chief Cory Schiedt informed the residents about the Glencoe Fire Department budget and fire truck contribution. Glencoe Fire Department is asking \$11,314.49 for 2024 contract. Chief Cory Schiedt informed the board about the new fire hall for the future and their interest in purchasing a new Kubota Side-by-side for \$80,000.00. Roger Schmidt motioned to approve the Glencoe Fire Department 2024 contract of \$11,314.49. Joey Schauer seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bailey Nordmann informed the residents about clean up week and the new cards.

Sheila Murphy presented to the board about the McLeod County update.

Bernie Koktan talked about the McLeod County Food Shelf contribution. Faye Bruckschen motioned to contribute \$6,000.00. RaNay Lentsch seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

Bernie Koktan presented the 2025 Rich Valley Township Annual meeting for Tuesday, March 11th, 2025 at 7pm at 16543 Ideal Ave. Glencoe, MN 55336.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- Bailey Nordmann updated the board about the new playground for Rich Valley Township in spring of 2024.
- Chuck Herdegen asked when he walks and picks up trash if he's allowed to put the trash in the bins at the township. Supervisors Mark Reinert and Roger Schmidt okayed him to do that.
- Bernie Koktan asked if dust coating will be applied in the spring. Supervisor Mark Reinert and Chairman Roger Schmidt informed the residents that dust coating will be applied in 2024.
- Bernie Koktan asked about the gravel. Supervisor Mark Reinert updated the residents on the gravel in 2024.

Daryl Luthens updated the board about the new McLeod County 4-H building.

Bernie Koktan adjourned the meeting at 8:02pm. Chuck Herdegen motioned to adjourn the 2024 Annual meeting. Mark Reinert seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

