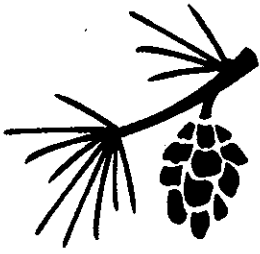


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Meeting Dates

The Carlos Town Board meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month, except for November and December, when they meet only on the second Thursday of the month.

The meetings are held at the Carlos Elementary School and begin at 7:00 pm.

The public is always welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you have an item you would like placed on the Agenda, please contact Rebecca Anderson at least one week prior to the meeting.

Road Progress

Hidden Oaks: The town board received a petition to conduct a feasibility study to pave Hidden Oaks. An informational hearing is scheduled for November 7th at 7:00 PM at the Carlos Elementary School. All impacted residents have been sent a notice by mail.

Buckskin Road West:

The Town board is reconstructing part of this road.

Johnson Road:

The Township is looking to rebuild a section of this road – weather permitting this year.

Circle Drive, Stardust Lane and Three Havens

Drive: all roads have received tar overlays.

Carlos Miltona Bridge:

At this time, The Carlos Miltona Bridge is scheduled to be replaced in 2014.

Daylight Savings Time Ends November 3, 2013

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour the evening of November 2nd.

Township Annual Election and Meeting

These events will take place on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 with the polls open from 4:00 PM-8:00 PM. The annual meeting will take place directly after the polls close. If anyone is interested in filing for a position on the board, please contact the clerk at 320 846 0373 for an application. The filing period is December 31 – January 14 at 5:00 PM. The positions up for election this year are Supervisor - 3 year term; and Clerk - 2 year term.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

The annual audit of Douglas County was very positive. The county is in a very stable financial position according to the Clifton Larson Allen Auditors. The board voted to put on a Wheel age Tax in 2014, (user fee, \$10.00 on License Tabs) to help repair roads, something the metro counties have had in place for many years. The state has not kept up with their contributions for our infrastructure & these additional funds are badly needed. The longer the roads & bridges are not fixed, the more they deteriorate, say nothing for the inflated costs it creates. Roads & Bridges expenses cannot be put on Property Taxes. The architects are meeting with the departments involved in the remodeling/expanding of courtrooms, judges' chambers & Court Administration. Security is a large concern with construction beginning in 2014. The board was presented with a "Certification of Appreciation" from the Director of Military Outreach & Adjutant General for the work of our "Beyond the Yellow Ribbon" committee. The preliminary budget set for next year is at \$26,655,090. The public is invited to the Budget Hearing on December 5th at 6PM at the Public Works Bldg. Everyone is welcome. The board voted for an agreement to share expenses for the 911 system with Wadena and Todd Counties. The Emergency Management Department had a disaster drill at the airport on September 16th. Road construction is wrapping up for the season. We thank each and every one of you for your patience and are aware of the inconvenience many of you had to endure during this time. The improvements of smoother & wider roads are great for walkers & bikers in addition to providing more safety for all who use our roads. The board approved a resolution designating October as "Domestic Violence Prevention Month". There was a Walk held earlier in October. A luncheon followed with a speaker who reflected on those who have died during the past year by domestic violence.

I wish you and your family a wonderful holiday season! **Bev Bales**

Do contact me with any of your concerns. My telephone number is 320-852-7335 and my mailing address is 8170 East Lake Carlos Drive, Carlos, MN 56319, or you can email me at bevb@embarqmail.com

Snow..... It'll Be Here Soon

R & R was awarded the road maintenance contract for 2013-2014. If you have any concerns with snow plowing, blading or mowing, please contact a board member and they will relay your concerns.

At all times, especially during a snow storm, vehicles need to be off township roads.

Under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 160.2715, violation of this statute is a misdemeanor.

It's that time of the year again that we need to remind everyone that it is unlawful to dump, plow or push snow from private driveways onto a public road.

Be sure to let those whom you hire to push snow, know about this law, as well as the consequences for violation.

Snow dumped on public roads or the right of way can create a hazard, not only for motorists, but also snowplows. Even heavy snowplows have been damaged when hitting compacted and frozen snow.

Snow pushed onto a public road may cause snowdrifts, ridges and ice chunks which are hazardous to motorists.

We urge you, as good neighbors and motorists, not to add to the hazards of winter driving.

A notice has been sent to area snow removal operators to remind them of this statute.

Your Cooperation Will Be Appreciated