

## **2020 San Francisco Township Annual Meeting Minutes**

Call to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Phil Solseng was elected as the moderator for the meeting.

Minutes from the 2019 annual meeting were read and approved.

Belle Plaine fire department wants to get a new truck. Doug explained that the Township fire bill was already too high.

The Carver fire department would also be raising rates to pay for a new truck in 2026.

The Township levy was discussed and approved.

More speed signs in East Union on Co Rd 40 were discussed because of the constant speeding and Supervisor Weber will talk to the County to look into that possibility.

A motion was raised and passed to raise the meeting salary to \$100.00.

The making of a Township animal ordinance is no longer needed as the neighborhood association that asked for one is now dealing with it within their existing neighborhood ordinance.

When individuals in Belle Plaine get burning permits through the DNR they also need to contact The Belle Plaine fire department.

Wild parsnips continue to spread. Doug Weber will take on what is needed to learn how to eradicate wild parsnips. He has an upcoming meeting with the County.

Discussion on defining township roads. What is our right of way? Most are unplatted. Farmers are farming the ditches. The right of way was done in the 1970's but the courts said that it was not legal. The Town board will look into the right of way situation.

Phil Solseng (as spokesman for the Ad Hoc Committee on updating the Townhall) gave an update and options for applying for grants. Do we apply for many smaller grants or go for a large grant for \$300,000. Pros and cons of both sides were discussed.

Meeting was adjourned.