

LeSauk Township Annual Road Inspection Meeting
May 7, 2024

The Annual Road Inspection Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan Heim at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisors Dan Heim, Jeff Westerlund and Paul Wagner and Clerk Marlyce Plante.

The Town Board met at the home of Supv Heim, then traveled all township roads.

Majestic Pond Drive & Majestic Pond Court – Both streets are in good condition. This addition sees minimal traffic other than residents who live in the addition.

40th Street & Pine Cone Road – The apron of this intersection turning to the south from 40th Street onto Pine Cone Road needs to be filled. Supv Westerlund will take care of this as soon as possible. It was suggested to pull the dirt that has been pushed over, back to the area that needs to be filled. There are also two potholes at this intersection that need to be filled with cold patch.

17th Street North – Off Pinecone Road – This road is a minimum maintenance road with no traffic other than occasional farm equipment during planting & harvesting season plus traffic from owners of parcels located on the road, but have no residence located there. The road has several areas of standing water with the recent rains, but no fill will be considered on the road for the time being. There may be construction traffic on the road some time this year with possible future solar gardens/farms located on both the south and north sides of the road.

Clerk Plante questioned the width of the road since she just had been contacted by Xcel Energy who are in the design phase for placement of poles etc. for the solar gardens and or farms.

Countryside Acres – 7th Avenue – 7th Avenue has small shallow potholes – Possible blow patching.

Warnert's Addition – 5th Avenue – Great condition – Resurfaced several years ago.

27th Street (County Rd 1 to Winnebago Road) – Good condition.

Winnebago Road – Great condition – Resurfaced in 2023.

30th Street – Possible blow patching.

Riviera Road – Blow patching, especially area at the intersection of 30th Street & Riviera Road near the Miller property.

BonHomie Valley Addition – This addition includes the following roads: Pine Ridge Road, Spruce Court, Stork Drive, Snail Drive & Spider Court – ALL roads have many shallow potholes on them. Entire addition should be considered for blow patching.

Coneflower & Monarch Court – Both streets are in great condition.

Kutzman's Addition – This addition contains the following roads: 20th St. North, 17th St. North & 4th Avenue North – all are in good condition.

Rosewood Road – Good condition – was blow patched in 2023.

22nd Street & Rodeo Road – Great condition – Overlaid in 2023.

River Vista Lane – Street is in good condition, sees very little traffic.

321st Street/Foley Street – Larger potholes as you are entering the street and near house numbers 3184 & 3226. Supv Westerlund will fill with cold patch.

Pleasant Dale Addition – This addition contains the following roads: 61st Avenue, 322nd St. No. & 62nd Avenue which all have shallow potholes and possible candidates for blow patching.

322nd Street – Street is in poor condition but potholes have recently been filled assuming by the city of St. Cloud. This street is highly traveled by people cutting over from County Road 4 to St. Joseph. Supv Heim will discuss his recent zoom meeting with representatives from the city of St. Cloud and St. Wendel at our upcoming meeting to possibly overlay this street in the near future.

30th Avenue North – This road will be reconstructed beginning the spring of 2025 with the \$7.5 million received from the 2023 Transportation bill. The township, as well other jurisdictions, have worked together to receive this money along with the help of Jodi Teich, Stearns County Highway Department Director. Ms. Teich is also working with Supv Heim applying for grant money from the Active Transportation Plan that could cover costs not covered by the \$7.5 million.

30th Avenue Bridge Report – The Board reviewed the areas noted in the annual county bridge inspection report. Supv Westerlund will clear the debris on the east side of the bridge deck. The board is not sure of what the conduit that is along the bridge goes to or is for. Clerk Plante will research. The county requested the broken areas of plastic covering the conduit be replaced. The letter also requested the damaged guardrail be replaced. This will be replaced during reconstruction of the road.

17th Street North (Udermann Area) – ASTECH completed the grading and crowning of 17th Street recently, but several areas of the road are washboard and puddles of water are standing in potholes on the west end. With heavy farm equipment and now construction equipment for the new Udermann home, any further grading may be done in the fall after harvest.

35th Street North – The west portion of 35th Street was overlaid a couple of years ago and is in great condition. The township portion that borders the Lloyd Traut property, is in need of blow patching since it has many areas with small to medium shallow potholes. The portion owned by Sartell along the Blackberry Ridge plat is in very poor condition though potholes have been filled. The board discussed working with Sartell requesting them to takeover the Lloyd Traut portion since the city has mentioned they would like to place a walking/bike path to connect the path that is by the high school.

Miscellaneous Items:

The following items should be discussed and acted on as soon as possible:

- Request removal of abandoned vehicle at 1731 17th St. No.
- Request removal of abandoned vehicles at 1401 County Road 120
- Blow Patching of the following additions & streets: Request quotes -

- Countryside Acres Addition – 7th Avenue North
- 30th Street and Riviera Road – Miller area
- BonHomie Valley Addition – Pine Ridge Road, Stork Drive, Spruce Court, Snail Drive & Spider Court
- Pleasant Dale Addition – 321st Street, 61st Avenue & 62nd Avenue
- 35th Street North – Lloyd Traut area
- Remove & replace the “Dead End” Sign on 17th Street North that is damaged.
- Supv Westerlund – Fill potholes that are larger on 40th Street, 321st Street near the entrance.
- Supv Westerlund – Clear debris on east side of the bridge deck.

The Board discussed the progress of the Zander & Thomas property clean-ups. No significant progress has been made as of yet. The Theisen property located near Sam’s Club has been cleaned up but the majority of items have been moved to the rear yard.

SUPV HEIM MOTIONED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY SUPV WESTERLUND, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Marlyce L. Plante
LeSauk Township Clerk