

San Francisco Township Newsletter



MAY 2024

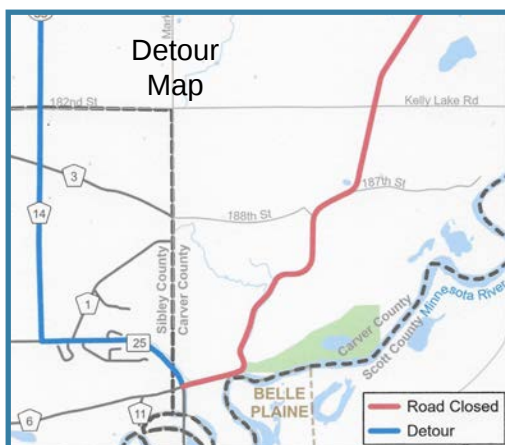
Construction and Detour on County Road 40

The Carver County Highway 40 Project consists of a corridor study to identify safety and other improvements along a 10-mile segment of Highway 40 between Highway 25 and Highway 11. **The initial construction project resulting from the study is the Highway 40 Project – Belle Plaine Area, which extends 4-miles from Highway 25 to Count Road 52. Construction has begun first part of April 2024 and is scheduled to finish this year.**

Preliminary design will be performed for the segment between Highway 52 and Highway 11 to prepare for final design and construction to be performed in future years.

Specific objectives:

- Widening of the shoulders
- Flattening slopes
- Correcting drainage issues
- Implementing safety improvements
- Rehabilitating the pavement surface



MONTHLY TOWNSHIP MEETINGS ARE ON THE **SECOND MONDAY** OF THE MONTH AT **6:00 P.M.**

The changes were made to avoid Monday Holidays in January and February and to end at an earlier time. Original time was set so that the farmers had time to milk the cows before coming to the meeting! No longer relevant!

CHASKA HERALD CLOSED

The Chaska Herald, Chanhassen Villager, and Jordan Independent printed their final editions on April 25, while the last publication for the Shakopee Valley News, Prior Lake American, Savage Pacer, and Southwest Saturday was April 27.

This leaves our Township with limited options for posting meeting notices as required by law.

Notices will be posted on the website and at the Township Hall. Other additional options are being considered.

Township News In a Nutshell:

- Oct:** *Board adopted new format for conducting meetings similar to the one used at County meetings.
*ROW requirement for utilities/procedures discussed.
*Contractor to put mesh on and repair at his cost.
*Newsletter discussed and procedure for approval by board put in place.
*Approved DigRite Snowplowing bid
- Nov 7:** *Special meeting
*Installation and placement of ramp discussed. Will check with Historical Society on placement.
- Nov:** *FEMA report accepted. \$4,132 to be coming.
*Three ramp options being considered.
***Meeting continued Dec. 4.**
*More ramp discussion. Pre-approved ramp on east side pending Historical Society approval. Saving brick from porch to use as needed.
- Dec:** *Historical Society has plans for ramp. Project can move forward with their approval.
*Metronet plan approved for Town Hall.
*Received check from CCAT for \$1,000 as a refund if surplus fund. All Townships received this check.
- Jan:** *Historical Society Grant close out discussed. Final report will be sent in. Township will receive final payment after report and documentation is approved. We should easily meet the 2024 deadline.
- Feb:** *Grant close out submitted.
*Board reorganized for 2024.
*Board meeting day and time changed.
* Election preparations discussed.
Booth setup, cleaning, heat/light for portable toilet. Andy and Scott to set up booths, bring heater and light for portable toilet.
- Mar:** *Motion passes that dusting coating would fall back on residents.

THIS IS A VERY BRIEF SUMMARY. MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN MINUTES ON THE WEBSITE.

Road and Bridge Report

- * **Guidelines for burying fiber sent by Heidi to Metronet. Any damages to culverts to be repaired at expense of the operator.**
- * **Letter on noxious weeds filled out and sent back to County.**
- * **Test of Milling/class 5 blend for road was determined to be not setting up well. Township will continue with red rock, which seems to be better, especially with more frequent grading.**
- * **Dust coating discussed and determined that cost would fall back on residents.**
- * **Road Reviews done.**

TOWNSHIP NOT TO RESUME DUST COATING

At the March 18, 2024 meeting, the supervisors decided that any dust coating would fall back on the residents. Residents may dust coat but the Township is not coordinating nor subsidizing any dust coating.

ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

San Francisco Annual meeting was held on March 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Township Hall. The 2025 the tax levy of \$392,800 was approved.

SFT NEWSLETTER LOOKING TO LIST TOWNSHIP BUSINESSES

There are over twenty businesses located within the boundaries of our Township. A list of businesses will be published in a later edition to let residents know what businesses are in our township.

The list is not an endorsement of any particular business by the Township... Just information for residents.

An information form will be on the website (sanfranciscotownship.com) for any businesses that would like to be listed in a future edition. Hope to hear from your business!!!

CAC UPDATE

***At 2017 Annual Meeting** the CAC was formed to help review Planning issues and function as a planning commission, and to get more residents involved in their local government. There was discussion on future use of building...repair/renovate or find new meeting place. Decision was to repair/renovate the Town Hall.

April 4, 2024 CAC meeting:

*Phases 1 (stabilization of building/ & exterior repairs) work completed. Most funding was from Minnesota Historical Society Legacy Grant.

*Discussed future Phase 2 interior repairs and upgrade for code and ADA compliance which include electrical, mechanical, plumbing, painting, insulation, floor repairs (west room) and including bathroom(inside vs outside).

*Discussed planning for SFT future to include Comprehensive planning proposed by Carver county and Met Council as well as previous studies of Carver County ravine and bluff areas and the Metro water resources plans.

***CAC meeting are open the public and SFT residents are welcome to attend. Meeting will be held on the Thursday AFTER regular Township Board monthly . Meetings in are held at 7:00 pm at theTown Hall.Check Website for any changes to the meeting schedule.**

TREASURER'S REPORT (2/12/2024)

Jeanne Aufderheide

Checking.....	\$118,519.30
Legacy Grant.....	\$2,759.82
ARPA (Covid funds)....	\$75,251.24
CDs.....	\$663,942.72
(Matures 1/26/24)	

TOWNSHIP BOARD REORGANIZATION

At the February Township meeting the board voted on the following designations:

Chair.....	Scott Selken
Vice Chair.....	Larry Schmidt
Road Supervisor.....	Andy Olson
Planning Commission Chr...	Andy Olson
PC Vice Chr.....	Larry Schmidt
Fire Board.....	Larry Schmidt

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**TOWNSHIP BOARD Meets on the 2nd MONDAY OF THE MONTH at 6:00 PM
SAN FRANCISCO TOWN HALL**

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