

Town Board Meeting
September 8, 2005

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call Present: Wendy Anderson, Stephen Dahl, Jeff Cook, Dan Tanner, Corlis West
Absent:

1. Approve Minutes
 - a. Corlis West made a motion to approve the minutes as sent out by the clerk, Dan Tanner seconded. Motion passed
2. Concerns from the Audience
 - a. John Kessler – Mr. Charles Billie has a grinder pump on his property along North Shore Drive. It was John's understanding that no septic or grinder would be placed on property that does not have a structure. Jeff Cook will contact the Sewer Board and write a letter to the construction company. Wendy Anderson suggested sending a second letter to Mr. Bille.
 - b. George Sundstrom – Audit
 - c. George Sundstrom – Tax Forfeit land
 - d. George Sundstrom – Kay Jacobs on the special election
3. Approve Agenda
 - a. Wendy Anderson – Audit
 - b. Kay Jacobs
 - c. Dan Tanner made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Wendy Anderson seconded. Motion passed.
4. Correspondence
 - a. Qwest: buried cable request
 - b. ISO Survey
 - c. Minnesota Association of Townships – Insurance renewal
 - i. Written as two checks. One for general insurance, one for an additional but not previously approved insurance for Planning and Zoning. Corlis West made a motion to table the P&Z insurance claim # 947 and have the decision made at the October meeting. Wendy Anderson seconded. Motion passed. (send copies of the P&Z insurance to all supervisors and Tim Strom) *Mark claim 947 as denied for September.*
 - d. St. Louis County Planning – Public Hearing September 15, 10:30 a.m. Biwabik City Hall, Stephen Dahl, Wayne Dahlberg and Sue Lawson will attend.
 - e. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
 - f. E-Mail from Kay Jacobs Re: September 22, 2005 Election.
 - g. Jeff Cook: rain garden planting September 9, 3:30 p.m.
5. Treasurers Report
 - a. Beginning Balance \$518,037.85
 - b. Deposits \$ 57,721.29
 - c. Expenses \$ 48,253.89
 - d. Ending Balance \$527,505.25
 - e. Janet Johansen recommended purchasing another Certificate of Deposit. Wendy Anderson made a motion that Janet should purchase another \$50,000.00 6 month CD at The Lake Bank, Dan Tanner seconded. Corlis West made a friendly amendment to change from 6 months to 12 months. Motion (including the friendly amendment) passed.
6. Program of Work
 - a. Tabled until October
7. Department Reports
 - a. Police Report
 - i. Corlis West would like to thank the Police Department for the progress being made on the Junk Car ordinance clean up project.
 - b. Fire Report
 - i. A large number of first responder calls this month.
 - c. Community Center
 - i. Wendy Anderson: Firewise water tank
 1. LHB has not completed their cost analysis.
 2. The Facilities meeting has been changed to September 19th at 8:30 a.m.

3. Wendy will contact Fire Chief Barry Lampi for fire department in put on the storage tank.
 - ii. Solar panels are going up on the Community Center.
 - iii. There is a possibility funding will need to be borrowed from the Capital Expense account to help pay for the sprinkler system.
 - iv. The school would like to thank the First Responders for their help on a medical issue at the school.
 - v. Fire Alarms at the school. A propane powered floor polisher set off the fire alarm.
- d. Legal
 - i. No Report
- e. Town Hall
 - i. No Report
- f. Planning and Zoning
 - i. August 17, 2005 interviews for the open position on the Planning Commission. Dave Chura is the new planning commission member.
 - ii. ARDC meeting in Schroeder, Jeff and Wayne will attend.
 - iii. Duluth Township Guide: Should be completed Tuesday.
 - iv. Recycling shed: Jeff will bring the need to replace our South Recycling shed to the next McQuade Road meeting. The township will write to the DNR and formally request a replacement of our recycling shed along the shore.
- g. Recycling
- h. Road and Bridge
 - i. Many requests for additional chloride on the Mace Road. This is not a high traffic Road and the individuals requesting the chloride do not live close to the road.
 - ii. 2 or 3 inches of material was spread on the Greenwood Road, there are still areas of clay appearing. In 2006 more material will be needed on the road before chloride spread.
 - iii. Snow and Ice. Hagglund Construction will have two yards of sand placed along the edge of the parking lot for use on the parking lot, steps and sidewalks this winter.
- i. Cemetery
 - i. Denise and Dan will bring the Cemetery records up to date and bring them back to the Town Hall. Currently the Town Hall has the older set of records
 - ii. You are allowed one full burial and two cremations per cemetery lot. It has been suggested a small pamphlet be created to use as a cemetery guide.
 - iii. Where are Cemetery deeds to be registered? The original rules are likely archived in Chisholm.
 - iv. Roof repair should be completed next week.
 - v. Windows continue to be broken
 - vi. Original survey marker was located.
8. Old Business
 - a. Audit – Place on the October 13, 2005 agenda.
9. New Business
 - a. No new business at this meeting
10. Pay Bills
 - a. Deny Claim # 947 until more research has been completed in order to purchase the new Planning Insurance.
 - b. Deny claim #909, Sprint bill, find out what the extra charges are, Wendy does not feel the bill is correct.
11. Motion to Adjourn
 - a. Dan made a motion to adjourn, Jeff seconded. Motion passed