

Town Board Meeting

August 10, 2006

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Stephen Dahl, Danny Tanner, Jeff Cook, Corlis West, Wendy Anderson

1. Approve Minutes

Stephen Dahl made a motion to approve the minutes, Jeff Cook seconded. Motion approved

2. Concerns from the Audience

- Larry Nesgoda re: Darrell Rajavouri Junk Car Ordinance violation. Two issues are currently being dealt with. 1. The junk car issue. Corlis West believes Mr. Rajavouri is showing compliance with the junk car ordinance. Township Attorney Tim Strom and Supervisor Corlis West have created clean up lines; Mr. Rajavouri's cleaning has progressed as requested by the town board. 2. Screening, Mr. Rajavouri is installing a fencing screen on his property. Does this screen comply with the township zoning ordinance? This issue has been tabled until September to allow the Planning and Zoning commission time to clarify the definition of screening and respond back to the Town Board.

3. Approve Agenda

- Amendments
 - State Auditor Office best practice review questionnaire; the board took this time to complete the questionnaire.
 - Walt Carter Bill
- Stephen Dahl made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Jeff Cook seconded. Motion passed.

4. Correspondence

a. Buried Cable Request: Old North Shore Road, Upper Peterson Road. This is in Lakewood Township and the City of Duluth.

b. Rural Development Informational Meeting – No interest

c. Extension Service: Wood ash at Brian Lobbestael property - Notification

d. Hazard Mitigation Planner/ARDC: Jeff Cook made a motion to adopt the St. Louis County

Hazard Mitigation plan, Corlis West seconded. Motion passed.

5. Treasurers Report

Beginning Balance \$679,014.58

Deposits \$ 30,319.48

Expenses \$ 40,573.34

Ending Balance \$668,760.72

The Lake Bank would like to change the way they secure our funds, Janet passed the papers along to Tim Strom for his review. Wendy will contact Tim and request the papers back and review them with one more person before a decision is made.

a. Review Claims list for approval

b. Check #7481 Denise Connolly: The bill was paid in 2005 by a Gregory Nelson, we now have a record of where the check came from it is appropriate at this time to release the payment to Denise Connolly.

c. Stephen Dahl requested the addition of another bill for \$16,000.00 to Walt Carter. Bill will be paid on this months billing.

6. Department Reports

a. Police Report

i) Chief Report – given by Shawn Padden

ii) Darrell Rajavouri violation: at the conclusion of each time period Darrell was in compliance with the Junk ordinance.

iii) In September Rick Swanson will be introduced to the Town Board for approval as our 4th peace officer as requested at the Annual Meeting.

iv) Fatality at the corner of McQuade and Lismore. Shawn recommended a letter from the Town Board asking the County to place a 4 way stop at that location.

v) The "Welcome to Duluth" sign should be moved further down the Lismore Road as it obstructs the line of site at its current location.

b. Fire report

i) Chief Report. Created by Bob Engelson; presented to the Board by the clerk.

ii) Lock Box: Wendy Anderson made a motion to approve the lock box application, Corlis West seconded. Motion passed. Wendy Anderson recommended the application be included in the next newsletter.

c. Community Center

i) Principal's Report – Sherry was unavailable for this meeting.

ii) Sprinkler System: A request to pay the remaining \$48,000.00 for the sprinkler system. The project is right on schedule.

iii) BAT: Community Center Addition Survey in the next newsletter. Tim Strom has developed a paper describing the relationship between the Township and the Community Center.

iv) The language for the reversionary clause; Wendy Anderson and Stephen Dahl will review with Kay Jacobs our school district representative.

v) Recreation Field has been completed. Stephen Dahl and Wendy Anderson met with contractor Walt Carter to discuss the completion of the softball field. Wendy Anderson made a motion to approve \$6200.00 from the capital improvement fund to finish the soft ball field, Stephen Dahl seconded. Motion passed. The cost of a driveway behind the soccer field to the greenhouse was looked into. Cost would be approximately \$5200.00.

vi) Event Coordinator: Jeanne Anderson continues to work even though she has resigned. The schedule for the year: 3 -10 week sessions, four classes are already set up. Wendy will put the ad in the next newsletter asking for a new coordinator at \$10.00 per hour, 5 to 10 hours per week possibly. The board wishes to correct Jeanne's wages from the beginning of her employment. Jeanne was hired at the \$8.60 rate, that flat rate had been increased to \$10.00, the board wishes to correct the error and pay Jeanne the difference.

d. Legal

i) SOB Summary for publication: Wendy Anderson made a motion to approve the words of the 3A adult use summary, to be published, Stephen Dahl seconded. Motion passed.

e. Town Hall

i) Maintenance position will be posted in the newsletter.

ii) Approve Election Judges: Jeff Cook made a motion to approve, Stephen Dahl seconded. Motion passed.

f. Planning and Zoning

i) Zoning Administrator Report: Unavailable this evening.

ii) Stan Hendrickson street car issue: Mr. Hendrickson has received a land use permit application but he is skeptical about having to fill out the permit.

iii) SOB ordinance brought out objections towards the LIU area. A LIU meeting will be September 7th at 7:00 p.m.

iv) Building Permits have been slow this year.

- v) There have been a few problems with on site signage.
- vi) Upzone legal description and mapping tabled until September.
- vii) One public hearing set back variance request.

g. Recycling

- i) Busy, having a problem with bees.
- ii) South center recycling: proposed meeting September 14, 9-9:30 a.m. at the town hall.
- iii) Public Hearing at WLSSD, Jeff Cook brought up the garbage people dump along the edge of the road.

h. Road and Bridge

- i) Chloride is still not on the roads, still waiting for the County.
- ii) The County will be installing barricades on the North Ryan just south of the Pioneer Road
- iii) North end of the Alseth Road needs chloride.
- iv) Request to move the welcome to Duluth sign – could Hagglund Construction move the sign 100 yards east.
- v) Wildwood road needs grading.

i. Cemetery

7. Old Business

- a. Ordinance review – tabled until September.

8. New Business

- a. Federal Mileage Rate 44.5 cents per mile

9. Pay Bills

10. Motion to adjourn 9:20 p.m.