

Town Board Meeting
December 10, 2009

Roll Call Present: Mary Ann Sironen, Dave Mount, Wendy Meierhoff, Danny Tanner
Absent: Stephen Dahl

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Approve Minutes

- a. Town Board Meeting November 12, 2009
 - Page 1, "replace Stephen Dahl made a proposal" with "Stephen Dahl requested to the Clerk".
 - Page 2 Road and Bridge, clarification.
 - Wendy Meierhoff made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Mary Ann Sironen seconded. Motion passed.

2. Meeting Schedule

- a. Additions
 - Planning & Zoning on the 17th.
 - Court date for Bieraugel matter is December 22nd 1:30 p.m. at the St. Louis County Court House

3. Concerns from the Audience

- a. No concerns

4. Approve Agenda

- Community Center: Wendy Meierhoff – Condensate pump
- Dan Tanner made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Wendy Meierhoff seconded. Motion passed

5. Treasurers Report

Beginning Balance	\$733,987.63
Receipts	\$ 143,522.40
Expenditures	\$ 20,388.29
Ending Balance	\$857,121.74

- a. Review Claims List for Approval: claim # 91218.
- b. Pay Bills

6. Tabled agenda items from previous month

- a. Reallocation of \$38,000.00 to Fire Department for FEMA truck tabled in August. Dave Mount made a motion to transfer \$38,000.00 as reimbursement for excess costs towards Fire pumper #2, Wendy Meierhoff seconded. Motion passed
- b. Welcome to Duluth signs tabled in October. Dave Mount will measure and discuss the wording with the Planning Commission.
- c. Energy Grants tabled in November: it doesn't look as if we are going to participate.

7. Department Reports

- a. Police
 - No report
- b. Fire
 - Chief Bob Engelson –1 nuisance fire call
- c. Planning and Zoning
 - Report in Supervisors Binder

- Odyssey: Lot lines were approved and the variance has been preliminarily approved, the matter is now in the hands of County Planning.
- d. Legal
- Community Center will not be taxed in 2010. Dave Mount will write a letter to Mr. David Dill thanking him for his interest and support in resolving our taxation issue.
 - Wendy Meierhoff received a resolution from the North Shore Charter School regarding taxation, this will make the packet to the legislature complete.
- e. Road and Bridge
- All the work has been done for this year.
- i). Stormwater
- a. Knife River TMDL
 - Turbidity in the Knife River. A goal has been set for the level of turbidity in Knife River, now that the goal has been set the reduction level will then be distributed to all areas within the Knife River watershed; Duluth Township will have one portion of the load to reduce. The MPCA becomes involved when the implementation plan goes into effect.
 - b. Road Improvement Grant
 - Application has been completed, we will know in January if we have been awarded a two year grant of \$15,000.00.
- f. Community Center
- i) Tax Issue: Wendy Meierhoff would like to invite George Sundstrom to continue being pro-active on the Community Center tax issue. Dave Mount is the point of contact, keeping in mind open meeting laws, Dave is assigning duties regarding this issue. Dave would appreciate Georges input and would appreciate George keeping Dave updated as things happen.
 - ii) Report in Supervisors Binder
 - Condensate pump: Wendy Meierhoff would like to ask permission to have the condensate pump replaced. At this time the only person who has the authority to spend up to \$10,000.00 is Stephen Dahl. Wendy made a motion to approve under \$2000.00 to have Johnson Control repair the condensate pump, Dave Mount seconded. Motion passed.
 - iii) NSCS New Page Recycling Program: The Community School is involved in a recycling program for glossy paper such as magazines and newspaper inserts and has approached the town asking if the Town might be interested in participating for the school. There are environmental plusses to separating the qualities of paper. All funds will be put towards environmental education. There was a suggestion to place an ad in the newsletter searching for a donated storage facility for filled bags. Dave Mount would suggest that Mary Ann pursue the request with Carolyn.
 - iv) The written community center report is a positive addition to board meetings, it brings forth all of the current complex issues at the community center.
- g. Town Hall
- i) Wheel Chair – Homesteaders will address it in January.
 - ii) two new chair racks are now in the closet full of chairs.
 - iii) Jody will be getting rid of the chalk board and stand.
 - iv) Bookshelves, one corner bookshelf, limit how many books we are going to do. Dave Mount could make a 4' wide 7' tall bookshelf.
- h. Recycling
- Dan Tanner apologized for the dirt which was dumped out more forward than was intended.
- i. Cemetery
- fine

j. Communication

- Newsletter is coming out on the 23rd.
- School communications meeting date has been changed.

8. Correspondence

- a. MAT Liability Insurance and Cab Cards: Dave distributed, one vehicle removal from insurance was requested by Chief Bob Engelson.
- b. St. Louis County Public Planning hearing notification: Noted
- c. U.S. Department of Commerce Letter: survey stuff
- d. The Lake Bank: noted
- e. City of Duluth: D/NSSD Board of Managers Election results certification: noted

9. Old Business

- Resolution to re-nominate Mary Ann Sironen to the Coastal Council. Resolution read in its entirety by Dave Mount. Dave would like to make a motion we adopt this resolution, Wendy Meierhoff seconded. Motion passed.

10. New Business

- a. Set date for budget meeting February 18, 2010 6:00 p.m.
- b. Revocation of Ordinances: information on process. To rescind a zoning ordinance we do the reverse of creating a new ordinance or we could cover our bases and bring it up at the annual meeting.

11. Motion to adjourn: Danny made a motion to adjourn, Mary Ann seconded. Motion passed. 8:45 p.m.