

**Duluth Town Board Meeting
February 14, 2002
Unapproved Minutes**

Absent: Bruce Aho

- I. **Approve Agenda** - Add to Fire Department, Alden fire department bid. With that addition the agenda was approved
- II. **Approve Minutes** - George made a motion to approve the minutes as sent out, Corlis seconded, Motion passed.

Guest speaker Phil Strom, Superintendent, School Board Members and the Financial Secretary of School District #381, presented the upcoming School referendum.

Meeting closed at 8:20 p.m. for a Police Economic Opener.
Meeting reopened at 8:25 p.m.

Guest Speakers Mark Winson and Mark McShane from the City of Duluth spoke on the Congdon Trust Property. Town Board members brought up current difficulties with camping, policing, trash, clear cutting, and the commercial fishing issue. The city offered to send us a copy of the Congdon Trust agreement for our reference. A discussion will take place at a later date to discuss some or all of the mentioned issues.

Treasurers	Beginning	\$158,417.97
Report:	Balance	\$ 1944.46
	Deposits	\$151,752.07
	Expenses	

III. **Priority Correspondence**

- Lake Superior Shoreline meeting Thursday, Feb 21st, and Sat February 23rd, shoreline erosion, cures and causes, vegetation and erosion control and protect our inland waters.
- MN Pollution Control Agency - EAW for the Sewer District has passed, ground will be broken in June.
- Coastal Council - GIS program
- April 17th - Board of Review 6 - 8:00 P.M.
- MSI Insurance - send letter to Alden Township (Corlis)
- Public works re: crushing - mail to Bruce

IV. **Department Reports**

- a. **Police Report** - read and approved
 1. MN Peace Officers Standards and Training - Letter was read.
 2. PERA - George made a motion to accept resolution 21402, Corlis seconded, Motion Passed.
- b. **Fire Report** - 3 fires and 2 medical calls.
 1. 5 prospective members attended the last business meeting.
 2. Sectional fire school in April.
 3. First responder refresher will be held in April.
 4. Alden Township contract: Corlis made a motion that Duluth township offer to cover fire responsibilities to the township of Alden for 13% of the annual fire department budget. 12% of that amount to cover cost, and 1% to cover relief fund. Alden township will be responsible for maintaining their fire hall and truck. Jeff seconded. This issue would be revisited each year. George made an amendment to remove the 1% relief fund amount from the Alden contract.

Amendment to the motion died for lack of second. George called for the question to be asked - 2 approved, 2 opposed, motion tied. With a tie vote the motion failed.

c. **Town Hall**

1. Steve found a carpenter to replace the folding wall with a solid wall. At the last Annual Meeting \$2000.00 was set aside for town hall repair. The estimate for the entire office came to \$6033.00. George made a motion we purchase a four drawer file cabinet, locking, Jeff seconded. Motion passed. Replacement of the folding wall with a solid wall has been tabled until the next regular meeting.

d. **Planning and Zoning**

1. Two special steering committee meetings were held.

e. **Recycling has been very busy.**

f. **Road and Bridge**

g. **Legal -**

1. Ulanowski road petition. All releases are in, no further action. Township attorney will tend to the paperwork.
2. Rowray road petition. All releases are in, no further action. Township attorney will tend to the paperwork.
3. North Shore Elementary. The Town Board and the School Board should sit down together and discuss all issues, then draft an agreement. A Special Meeting or an Emergency meeting can be called. Steve would like to designate George as spokes person.

V. **Old Business**

- No old business at this meeting

VI. **New Business March**

- 7th - bill paying meeting

VII. **Concerns from the Audience**

The person renting the old fire hall has suggested he intends on holding regular sales from the hall. Parking is a problem. The fire hall was intended only to be a storage facility. George made a motion to authorize the township attorney to research the relationship between the township and the fire department. Steven seconded it. Motion passed.

VIII. **Bills Paid**

Adjournment

By Ann K. Cox Clerk