

## Town Board Meeting

October 9, 2003  
(unapproved minutes)

Absent – Bruce Aho, George Sundstrom

1. Approve Minutes
  - Jeff made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded. Motion passed
2. Concerns from the Audience
  - Request from the Community school to place a toner recycling container in the town hall and in both of the recycling centers. Request was approved.
3. Approve Agenda
  - Additions
    - Robert Engelson – Recycling center
    - Robert Engelson – Community Center
    - Corlis made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded. Motion passed
4. Correspondence
  - Letter from the State of Minnesota and St. Louis County, notifying us of a “Market Value Credit Cut”. The year 2003 will be cut 2% (\$5029), 2004 will be cut 3% (\$7544) for a total shortfall on our requested levies of \$12,573.00. This issue was tabled until the November meeting.
  - MPCA meeting – October 30, 2003
  - Letter from MasTec requesting permission to bury a cable – Corlis signed in Bruce Aho’s absence.
5. Treasurers Report
  - Beginning Balance \$196,489.73
  - Expenses \$ 44,891.38
  - Deposits \$ 18,011.18
  - Ending Balance \$169,609.53
6. Department Reports
  - a. Police Report
    - Read by Corlis in Shawn’s absence.
  - b. Fire Report
    - One false alarm, 3 medical calls
    - The following people are attending Fire Fighter Essentials: Jody Anderson, Paulette MacIntosh, Don Walli and Keith Darsow.
    - Robert Engelson – The fire department has approved an increase in pension payouts from \$250.00 per year of service to \$400.00 per year of service. The fire department reviewed its accrued liability and discovered they could increase the payout with no financial difficulty to the investment funds. Jeff made a motion to approve the increase in pension payouts from \$250.00 per year of service to \$400.00 per year of service, seconded. Motion passed.
  - c. Community Center
    - A specialist has been requested from Johnson Control to look into the repeated false

fire alarms.

- There are battens missing from the seams on the back of the Portable Classrooms. Corlis suggested the Building and Grounds committee take care of the problem and bill the township.
- Johnson Control bill has been straightened out. The Township was never billed for January, the June billing never made it to the township although it was mailed out. The payments for these two missing bills are to be approved at this evenings meeting.

d. Town Hall

- New furnace quit and has been temporarily repaired.

e. Planning and Zoning

- Variance request for Claudia Spees was approved.
- A general information booklet is being considered for the township, it would be similar to the booklet Lake County currently offers residents. Toni Fladmark has been asked to create a package for the zoning commission's approval.
- Planning and Zoning has applied for an educational grant through the Duluth/Superior Area Community Grant program. A second \$5000.00 Star Grant has also been applied for.
- Public hearing at the October Planning Commission Meeting.

f. Recycling

- Robert Engelson will take the aluminum cans for the North Shore Community School. The Building and Grounds committee was asked to submit a formal proposal as to the possible structure or addition they would like for aluminum can storage.

g. Road and Bridge

- Greenwood road has been repaired.
- Barricade is missing from the North Ryan. The trees have grown up enough that the lack of barricade is no longer a problem.

h. Cemetery

- George was absent this meeting

7. Old Business

- No Old Business at this meeting

8. New Business

- The Market Value Homestead Credit Cut was discussed under Correspondence.

9. Pay Bills

10. Motion to adjourn 8:45 p.m.