

Town Board Meeting
August 8, 2013

Pledge of Allegiance

Communications Agreements review

Present: Barb Crow, Dave Miller, Mary Ann Sironen (Skipper), Don Sitter, Mary Anne Daniel

1. Approve Minutes

a. Town Board Minutes July 11, 2013

- Don Sitter made a motion to approve the minutes, Dave Miller seconded. Motion passed with amendments
 - Page 4: The Board of Supervisors did vote unanimously to transfer the building and grounds
 - Page 5: Add a colon after Don's name
 - Page 5: Add "that is why we didn't go to your banks".
 - Dave Miller was present at this meeting.

b. Community Center Properties Mid Month Meeting July 15, 2013

- Don Sitter made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 15th meeting, Mary Anne Daniel seconded. Motion passed.
 - Dave Miller was present at this meeting.
 - Page 4: "I thought our plan" should be corrected to "I thought our ordinances".
 - Page 5: Dave Millers section, small typo "f"
 - End the sentence "my motion to pursue the variance" period then begin the remainder as a second sentence.

2. Meeting Schedule

a. Posted Meetings

- i) September 12, 2013 6:30 p.m. Community Center Properties Closing
- ii) September 12, 2013 7:00 p.m. Town Board Meeting

3. Concerns from the Audience

- Pete Stauber County Commissioner stopped in to visit and spoke on the "turning roads back to townships" project. As of right now it is in its earliest discussion, once something concrete has been formed the Commissioners will meet with all of the townships to explain the plan.

4. Approve Agenda

- Dave Miller made a motion to approve the agenda, Don seconded. Motion passed with no additions

5. Treasurers Report

Beginning Balance	\$1,130,024.21
Deposits	\$2,590.45
Expenditures	\$50,140.46
Ending Balance	\$1,082,474.20

a. Review Claims List for Approval

b. Pay bills

- Clerk requested a formal letter saying the Township is no longer responsible for bills generated at the North Shore Community School, to send with any statements received after we sign the closing documents.

6. Tabled agenda items

- a. CD purchase: Perhaps we should put some community center funding into a CD. The interest rates haven't gone down. Table until September

7. Department Reports

a. Police Department

- Shawn Padden: July was busy.

- There is a concern about a Black Stratus which goes up and down the shore many times a day. The driver has been stopped numerous times and the fact is, the guy just likes to drive up and down the road.
 - Fiber optics is on the McQuade Road.
- b. Fire Department
- We have had a couple of runs and one mutual aid call to Two Harbors.
 - There was another accident on South bound 61 and Homestead. Only bad experience was a woman who was bound and determined to turn onto 61 in spite of the traffic detour, she was talking on her cell phone and not paying attention.
 - We have a new member from Alden Township.
 - At our last business meeting we moved to change our meeting nights to Tuesdays beginning in September.
 - The aluminum can cage is gone from the recycling area at the Town Hall.
- c. Planning and zoning
- i) Directors Report
- The Planning Commission would like to thank Tim Strom who at the last commission meeting did a presentation on variances.
 - We need to update dialogue on how the planning commission runs their meetings.
 - John Schifsky is writing an article on Congdon Trust land. At the last meeting Bob Bruce and Toni Fladmark discussed the status of the Congdon Trust land. How does the City think about it? Eventually there will be a meeting with the city for more discussion but right now we are information gathering.
 - Reviewed current projects and where they stand as to presentation and completion.
 - Variance hearing: Sue handed out the "Finding of Facts and Decision", the hearing was very good, lots of discussion, the commission did a great job. The variance was granted with 6 in favor and one opposed. We now need to split the property and then file the variance. Beth has the original and will make copies for the Board and Tim.
 - Land use permits are coming in steadily.
 - Stoney point subdivision: Sue received a call from Greg Shandell, they have not yet filed the final plat. Once the final plat has been completed the Town Board Chair may sign. Sue will review the plat before it comes before the Town Board.
 - Next commission meeting: We hope to have someone from MIC and the DNR to have a discussion regarding trails.
 - Don Sitter made a motion that we approve the authorization for waving the fee for the variance application, Barb Crow seconded. Motion passed unopposed.
 - Question: does anyone know anything about a piece of condemned (tax forfeit) property going up for auction by the French River Church? French River Church members are trying to figure out when the auction is going to be.
- d. Legal
- e. Roads
- i) Stormwater nothing
- ii) Road Report
- Johnson Road is 90% complete, FEMA work should be done this month.
 - Moving on to West Wildwood put in cross culverts, more gravel and ditching.
 - There is a question as to whether the entry culvert to the Nordling Road is County or Township.
- f. Community Center
- i) Facility Report
- Nothing
 - Lot of activity, trucks working on the Bergquist Road are staging in the parking lot.
 - Sidewalks have been poured.
- ii) Community Center planning meeting reminders
- a) Closing September 12, 2013 6:30 p.m. closing date has been moved to Monday August 26th 6:00 p.m. Post the new date and cancel the 6:30 p.m. closing date on September 12th.

iii) Recreation

- Things at the storage shed will be done before school begins.
- Everything requested in July has been ordered and beginning to come in, most bills should be here by the end of the month.
- Soccer has started up again.
- The mower goes through quite a bit of gas but does the fields in half the time, the only thing still lacking is the infield. Have we considered if we are going to split costs?
- Township rules and regulations for the grounds, how should we proceed?
 - That would be an excellent first use of the Joint Use Committee, make a list of things to do.

iv) Community Education

- Will we be charged room fees after closing? No it will fall into the user agreement. Recreation and Community Education will need to keep track of how much they use the facilities. The Joint Use Committee will need to create some mechanism to keep track not just of hours but numbers of users on the skating rink and on the fields during non school hours.

g. Town Hall

i) Supervisor desks

- Don Sitter contacted Dale Sohlstrom and will meet with him for design suggestions. Dave Miller suggested an \$8000.00 budget. Seating for 7 to accommodate the Planning Commission. Barb Crow would like electrical outlets for computers.

ii) West door/handicap entry

- Don Sitter asked if Wayne Dahlberg would be interested in updating the west entrance for ADA accessibility.
- Discussion on adding additional meeting space and an electronic lock on the new door.
 - Proposal A: What does it take to make the door ADA accessible? Correcting the landing making the roof bigger leaving the ramp where it is. The roof would have to be raised because the bracket is in the way.
 - Proposal B. If we re-landscape and redirect parking lot traffic. It would be a matter of building it on grade which if you look from the North side of the West entrance grade would be level with the town hall entrance.
- Barb Crow made a motion to spend up to \$3500.00 for Wayne Dahlberg to explore and design the ADA West door proposal, Don Sitter seconded. Motion passed unopposed.

h. Materials Management

i) recycling: full recycling sheds, we might need more roll off bins

ii) D/NSSD

i. Cemetery

- Molly is back

j. Communication

- Many thanks to Ben Lockwood from Metro Sales inc. Ben came to install the copier on our computers and ended up repairing a huge glitch in the townships e-mail system.
- We badly need an I.T. person to keep the township computers up and running correctly.

k. Personnel - No personnel issues this month

8. Correspondence

- a. Minnesota Dept. of Revenue – 2014 Certified Township Aid.
- b. DAT Annual BBQ
- c. MAT District 10 Meeting Notice
- d. SLC. Septic Ordinance #55

9. Old Business - None

10. New Business - None

11. Motion to adjourn: Dave Miller made a motion to adjourn Don Sitter seconded. Motion passed 8:45 p.m.