Official Minutes

CORINNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING Tuesday, July 15, 2014, 7:00 p.m. Corinna Township Hall 9801 Ireland Avenue NW, Annandale, MN

Meeting Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance was at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman John Dearing; Vice-Chairman Richard Naaktgeboren; Supervisor Chuck Carlson; Clerk/Treasurer Mary Barkley Brown; Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jean Just.

Absent: None.

Others in Attendance: Corinna Planning and Zoning Administrator Ben Oleson; Geronimo Energy Representatives Tena Rytel, Nathan Franzen, Petros Paulos; Annandale Advocate Representative Paul Downer; Shawn Smith; Lynn Johnson; Ruth Rudolph; Gerald Rudolph; Michelle Purcell; Chip Purcell.

<u>Approve or Amend Agenda, Town Board Meeting, July 15, 2014</u>: A motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to approve the Agenda with the following additions:

Four Letters dated 7/14/14 from Shawn Smith to Corinna Township Regarding Proposed Solar Site; Carefree Lawn Sprinkler Quote; JK Landscaping Quote; Honda Weed Sprayer; Resolution 2014-09. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Approve or Amend Minutes, Town Board Meeting, July 1, 2014</u>: A motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Naaktgeboren, to approve the Minutes of the Town Board Meeting of July 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Maintenance Outlook Report: Reviewed.

<u>JK Landscaping Quote</u>: A motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to approve quote for hydroseeding on shoulders of 112th Street NW (includes seed, mulch, and tackifier at 3%) at \$.17/sq. ft. Motion carried unanimously.

Honda Weed Sprayer: Reviewed. No action taken.

Post Driver: No action taken.

120th Street - Town Line Road: No action taken.

Cemetery: Watering trees; rust in water; water hooked up; extra lines reviewed.

<u>Carefree Lawn Sprinkler Quote</u>: A motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to approve quote for three sprinkler zones to be added to the cemetery sprinkler system, at \$450 per zone. Motion carried unanimously.

Requests to be on the Agenda:

1. <u>Geronimo Energy</u>: Geronimo Energy Representatives Tena Rytel, Nathan Franzen, and Petros Paulos addressed the Town Board. They gave a brief informational presentation on the proposed solar site in Corinna Township. A State of MN permit covers the land use, so townships and counties are not part of the permitting process. The Town Board and concerned neighbors asked questions and expressed concerns about the communication that they had received about this proposed project. Rytel acknowledged the group's frustration and offered apologies. The Town Board encouraged the concerned parties to contact Geronimo Energy directly to discuss concerns. Rytel said there will be public meetings in September and there will be public hearings early in 2015 during which time citizens can formally express their concerns for public record.

Other Business:

- 1. <u>Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report</u>: Oleson updated the Town Board on the progress of the violations listed below.
- Next Corinna Monthly Planning Commission Meeting: Thursday, 8/14/2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Meeting was changed to Thursday due to Primary Election on Tuesday, August 12;

Violations:

<u>PID# 206-000-223201 Onsrud – 8338 Irvine Avenue NW</u>: Oleson letter of 4/30/14 regarding land use permit application – deadline 6/30/2014. Oleson reported that on 7/8/14 Onsrud was seeding the area. Oleson will check again at a later date.

PID # 206-000-032200: Report of people living in home that was to be removed and disposed; 9/3/13 Ben Oleson letter to property owner asking owner to contact Oleson within 5 days. Property owner's response to Oleson on approximately 9/20/13 was that he wished to keep using the dwelling for 2-5 more years. Oleson letter of 11/8/13 sent to the landowner, Sean Riley and Greg Kryzer. Oleson letter of 3/31/2014 sent to landowner. Rieger-Borer letter of 4/8/14 to Town Board asked for an extension of the deadline of June 1, 2014. A motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to deny Rieger-Borer's request for a deadline extension. Motion carried unanimously. Oleson will notify Rieger-Borers of decision. 4/22/14 Oleson letter to Rieger-Borer; 4/25/14 Oleson email to Sean Riley. Oleson said he has also spoken to Wright County Attorney Greg Kryzer. On 6/3/2014, a motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Naaktgeboren, to turn this matter over to Wright County for legal action. Motion carried unanimously. File delivered to Kryzer 6/23/2014. PID # 206016000010: Kobe's addition of a deck, screen porch and more, done without a permit. Oleson spoke to Kobe, who said he is working with Surveyor Bogart Peterson and with a sewer contractor. Oleson said that it looks like Kobe is over impervious coverage limit. Oleson will follow up after Bogart Peterson completes the survey. It was not complete due to snow. Oleson reported that he is working with Mr. Kobe and the Planning Commission on impervious coverage issue. Oleson letter of 6/25/2014 to Kobe. Oleson met with Kobe on 7/8/14 and Kobe showed Oleson plan he made to get within 25% impervious coverage limit. The plan still shows that the impervious coverage is too high. Oleson will follow up.

<u>PID # 206-000-153404 - 8987 Iresfeld AV NW</u>: Building permit was issued in 2005 by Wright County and that it is still open and there is also a non-conforming sewer. Oleson will follow up, checking on sewer and also on time allowed to complete the building of the dwelling. Oleson inspected property on 2/24/14. Oleson letter of 2/24/14 to Oxenford; Oleson letter of 5/2/14 to Oxenford has 6/30/2014 deadline. Oleson reported that more siding has been completed, but a whole section is still undone. A septic contractor is checking into the sewer. Oleson will follow up.

- 3. <u>Updated General Election Judge List</u>: A motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4. <u>MN State Demographer</u>: April 1, 2013 Population and Household Estimate was reviewed. Corinna Township's April 1, 2013 population estimate is 2,386. Corinna Township's April 1, 2013 household estimate is 953.
- 5. <u>Four Letters dated 7/14/14 from Shawn Smith to Corinna Township Regarding Proposed Solar Site:</u>
 Letters were received and a copy of each was given to Geronimo Energy.
- 6. Resolution 2014-09: A motion was made by Carlson, seconded by Naaktgeboren, to approve a resolution that states that Corinna Township hereby opposes the new EPA proposed regulations that would expand the Clean Waters Act definition for "Waters of the United States." BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that Corinna Township in Wright County Minnesota will support EPA and Corps regulation of traditional navigable waters only. Motion carried unanimously.

Information on File:

Office of the State Auditor: E-Updates 6/27/14 and 7/3/14 were reviewed.

Payment of Claims:

A motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to approve Direct Deposit Payroll JE 2014-38 through JE 2014-40 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); Payroll Checks #736 through #739 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); Check # 18990 through Check # 19021 in the amount of \$119,661.62. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Any Other Business That May Come Before the Board</u>: Supervisor Naaktgeboren said that he would not be available for the August 5, 2014 Regular Town Board Meeting.

Clerk Brown reminded the Town Board that Junk Amnesty Day is Saturday, July 26. Punk Lundeen will be picking up tires this year, at a considerably lower cost than in the past. Cost is \$2 per car tire, \$3 per truck tire, \$10 per tractor tire. There is no additional cost for a roll-off, hauling to recycling site, or recycling fee.

With no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Naaktgeboren, seconded by Carlson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Barkley Brown/Glerk/Treasurer

August 7, 2014

John Dearing, Chairman