Minutes

CORINNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING Tuesday, February 21, 2017, 7:00 p.m. Corinna Township Hall 9801 Ireland Avenue NW, Annandale, MN

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

Present: Vice Chairman John Dearing; Supervisor Larry Smith; Clerk/Treasurer Mary Barkley Brown.

Absent: Chairman Chuck Carlson; Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jean Just.

Others in Attendance: Jim Gray; Blaine Barkley; Karen Lohn; Kathy Jonsrud; Orville Jonsrud; Ron Elsner; Steve Maeyaert; Diane Maeyaert; Christa Lane-Larsen; Jim Kutzner.

Approve or Amend Agenda, Town Board Meeting, February 21, 2017: A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to approve the Agenda with the following additions: Annandale Fire Commission Report; Wright County Road Weight Restrictions; Bond Status Inquiry – Rachel Contracting. Motion carried unanimously. Copies of the previous Meeting Minutes and this Meeting's Agenda are available for those attending this meeting.

<u>Approve or Amend Minutes, Town Board Meeting, February 7, 2017</u>: A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of February 7, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Maintenance Outlook Report: Reviewed.

<u>Pressure Washer and Ventilation System</u>: A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to accept the quote for the Landa VHG Natural Gas Pressure Washer from American Pressure, Inc., in the amount of \$9,651.40. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Grader Quotes</u>: Smith and Dearing want the full Town Board to be present when making the decision on a grader purchase. The quotes will be reviewed at the March 7, 2017 Town Board Meeting.

## Requests to be on the Agenda:

1. Dean Flygare: Blaine Barkley spoke on behalf of a group of concerned lake property owners from the Lake Sylvia, Clearwater, Cedar, and Sugar Lake Associations. Barkley gave a presentation about starry stonewort, which are grass-like algae that are not native to North America. It grows very fast and is very hard to kill. Starry stonewort has been found in Lake Sylvia and on Lake Koronis near Paynesville. Barkley and the represented lake associations are very concerned about the impact on lake property values and the impact on the business community if the weed spreads throughout the 26 lakes in our 10-mile radius.

This group is proposing a 5-year pilot project for Lake Sylvia, Lake John, and Pleasant Lake. Wright County gets funds each year to eliminate invasive species. They currently divide the money based on the parking spaces at the access ramps. In the pilot project —the money for these three lakes would be diverted to the pilot project instead. Boats entering Lake Sylvia, Lake John and Pleasant Lake would need to go to a decontamination site in Annandale to have their boats and trailers decontaminated. The City of Annandale has provided property for this facility. After decontamination — the boat would get a dated paper to put in the window when they park at the landings. The lake associations would inspect landings and call the Sheriff's Office if they see vehicles at the landings that do not have the decontamination stickers in their windows. The Sheriff's Department would ticket the vehicles. The County Attorney's Office would enforce the fines. The group is not looking for money, but would like a vote of confidence to bring to Wright County at their meeting of February 22, 2017.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to support the effort as a pilot project and to also add that all lakes in our area be included in this pilot project. Corinna will provide a letter of support. Motion carried unanimously.

## Other Business:

- 1. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Reviewed. No Town Board action was required.
- 2. <u>Craig Schulz Letter of 6/27/16 Regarding Wolslayer Boathouse at 11416 Klever</u>: Wolslayer is working with Schulz to remediate dilapidated building. Need a hard freeze to complete this work.
- 3. <u>Scott Deckert Letter of 7/21/16 Regarding Failing Septic at PID#206-000-331102; Deckert E-mail of 9/14/16.</u> Deckert E-mail of 12/12/16 states that it is too late to correct this year. Will start process again next spring.
- 4. <u>Craig Schulz Letter of 11/22/16 Regarding Hazardous Building at 10815 Hollister AV NW</u>: Schulz E-mail of 12/14/16 states that the property owner has fenced off the cabin and is contacting framers to board up the open windows.
- 5. Corinna Clerk P and Z Report for January 2017: Reviewed.
- 6. <u>Brochure for March 14, 2017 Annual Meeting</u>: Reviewed.
- 7. Notice of Election and Annual Meeting March 14, 2017: Reviewed.
- 8. <u>Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting</u>: Thursday, April 13, 2017, 3:00 PM at Corinna Town Hall.
- 9. Township Officers' 2017 Spring Short Course: Smith and Dearing will attend.
- 10. <u>Township Officers' Lobby Day at the State Capitol:</u> Wednesday, March 8, 2017 No one is attending.
- 11. <u>Auditor's Opinion Regarding Snowplowing Substitute Driver</u>: Auditor stated that if employment of Larry Smith's son, Matt Smith, does not benefit Larry financially, there is not a conflict of interest. If Matt is an adult living away from home, there should not be a conflict and no special action is needed.
- 12. <u>Annandale Fire Commission Report</u>: Reviewed.
- 13. Wright County Road Weight Restrictions: Reviewed.
- 14. <u>Bond Status Inquiry Rachel Contracting</u>: Bond must be in place for two years from road acceptance, per Township Ordinance.

Any Other Business That May Come Before the Board: None.

## Information on File:

Office of the State Auditor: E-Updates of 2/3/17 and 2/10/17 were reviewed.

## Payment of Claims:

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to approve Direct Deposit Payroll JE 2017-011 through JE 2017-013 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); Payroll Checks #1,023 through #1,029 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); Check # 20460 through Check #20472 in the amount of \$18,948.44. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Barkley Bkown, Clerk/Treasurer

Chuck Carlson, Chairman

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