CORINNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING Tuesday, January 17, 2023 - 7:00 p.m. Corinna Township Hall 9801 Ireland Avenue NW, Annandale, MN

Chairman: Chuck Carlson Vice-Chairman: John Dearing Supervisor: Larry Smith

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

Present: Chairman Chuck Carlson; Vice-Chair John Dearing; Supervisor Larry Smith; Clerk/Treasurer Mary Barkley Brown; Township Attorney Mike Couri; Via Zoom: Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc. Engineer Wes Davis.

Absent: Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Jean Just.

Others in Attendance: Darrell Strecker; Sandra Strecker; Oue Eull; Kevin Eull; Mark Menke; Buck Howard; Cory Nelson; Lisa Martin; Steve Gilbertson; Sue Gilbertson; Tony Hoeft; Rachelle Hoeft; Jim Kutzner; Deb Kutzner; Melanie Pattee; Paul Pattee; Walt Bayars; Luke Christianson; Renee Bianchi; Joy Carlson; Hank Dalbec; Tony Ojeda.

Approve or Amend Agenda, Town Board Meeting, January 17, 2023: A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to approve the Agenda with the following additions: Request to be on the Agenda – Hank Dalbec; GLTA Proposal. 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, December 20, 2022</u>: A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to approve the December 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Approve or Amend Minutes, Town Board Meeting, January 3, 2023</u>: A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to approve the January 3, 2023 Meeting Minutes (Meeting was cancelled due to weather). Motion carried unanimously.

Improvement Hearing – Paving Portions of Jeske AVE NW; 98th AVE NW; 97th AVE NW; 96th AVE NW and Estimated Cost of Improvement and Assessments:

Vice-Chairman John Dearing opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 PM. Dearing asked Township Attorney Mike Couri to explain why there is a Public Hearing. Couri said the Town Board is considering this paving project. We will hear from residents. The Town Board ultimately votes. Couri had Engineer Wes Davis explain, via Zoom, the paving project. Davis said it will reduce dust pollution, and improve the road surface with bituminous pavement. He said the design is a 20 year improvement design — with two lifts of tar. It will be a safer roadway and will potentially raise property values. It is absolutely feasible. The bituminous will go to where the private road starts. Keats AVE NW will remain gravel.

John Dearing opened the meeting for public comments. Most people in attendance gave their opinions. 6 were in favor. 6 were against. 2 parties spoke but had no opinion. Town Board then reviewed original petition with residents' signatures.

Dearing asked if there were further comments. When there were none, Dearing moved to close the Public Hearing. Smith seconded. Dearing and Smith voted in favor of closing the Public Hearing. Carlson abstained. Public Hearing was closed.

A Motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith to adopt Resolution #2023-01, a RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVISED FEASIBILITY STUDY, ORDERING IMPROVEMENT AND DIRECTING BOGART, PEDERSON AND ASSOCIATES TO PREPARE PLANS AND SPECS FOR PROJECT. Dearing and Smith voted in favor. Carlson abstained. Motion carried.

Maintenance Outlook Report and Calendar: Reviewed.

Equipment Hours as of 1/1/2023: Reviewed.

Thank you Letter to Plow Driver: Reviewed thank you note from Ann Dropps.

Grunwald Letters Regarding Moving Mailboxes: Reviewed.

Paving Petition Hollister Ave NW: No action taken.

Requests to be on the Agenda:

 Request to be on the Agenda – Hank Dalbec, 8350 Irvine AVE NW: Dalbec addressed the Town Board. I've been here 3 years in July. Irvine is a through-street now. Irvine has pot holes and runoff into driveways. Asked about paving the road.

Chuck Carlson said that if Dalbec gets a petition with 51% of affected property owners signing it, the Town Board would consider paving Irvine Ave NW.

Renee Bianchi, 8346 Irvine AVE NW, addressed the Town Board. A river runs under my driveway. It floods boathouses. There is tons of traffic. Big vehicles on road because of building. Drainage must be addressed.

Chuck Carlson: It is hard to direct water on a dirt road.

Bianchi said the drainage and potholes are ugly on that road.

Larry Smith suggested looking into conbit. Dearing agreed. Dearing said that the road is shaded and does not dry out well.

Other Business:

- 1. Planning and Zoning Administrator's Report: Reviewed. No action taken.
- 2. Wright County Planning Commission Meeting Minutes 12/15/2022 RE: Corwin Schueler: Reviewed.
- 3. Marc Mattice Request for Representation: Reviewed. No one volunteered to be on committee.
- 4. Wright County Public Hearing RE: Tobacco Regulations on Feb. 7, 2023 at 9:30 AM: Reviewed. No one plans to attend.
- 5. Corinna Township Planning Commission Meeting Dates 2023: Reviewed.
- 6. Snow Pushed Across Road Letter of 12/30/2022: Reviewed.
- 7. MN Association of Townships District 7 Special Election Notice: Reviewed.
- 8. Wright County Township Officers Assn Meeting Agenda and Draft Minutes: Reviewed.
- 9. 10782 Gulden Ave NW Complaint Scheeler: No action taken.
- 10. Corinna Violation Letter 8008 Griffith Ave NW 9/2/2022: No action taken.
- 11. <u>Ben Oleson Letter of 10/25/2022 to Melissa Frederickson Regarding Raising Roosters:</u> No action taken.
- 12. Violation Notices to Two Solar Locations: No action taken.
- 13. Orderly Annexation Draft: City of Annandale has not responded.
- 14. New Animal Control Authority: Reviewed.
- 15. Township Day at the Capitol: Reviewed. No one is attending.

16. <u>GLTA Proposal</u>: A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to table this until the Feb. 7, 2023 Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Any Other Business That May Come Before the Board:

Information on File:

Office of the State Auditor: E-Update of 12/16/2022 was reviewed.

Payment of Claims:

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Dearing, to approve Direct Deposit Payroll JE2023-001, JE2023-002, and JE 2023-003 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); Payroll Checks #1788 through #1798 (Miller Welle Heiser Payroll Service); EFT, Check #23694 to Check # 23731 in the amount of \$74,442.38. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dearing, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Barkley Brown, Clerk/Treasurer

February 7, 2023

Chuck Carlson, Chairman