



MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

April 18, 2023 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Call 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 857 4764 1056 Passcode: 252400

Town Hall 33155 Hemingway Avenue, Stacy, MN 55079

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:03pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: Chairperson R. Keller, Vice Chair T. Nelson, Supervisor J. Barrett, Supervisor B. Seekon, Supervisor Carolyn Cagle

Members absent: None

Others present: Clerk T. Smolke, Treasurer S. Aker, Planning Commission member D. Stiers, Planner K. Lindquist, Engineer J. Pelawa, and 7 members of the public signed in/ attended via Zoom

REVIEW & APPROVE THE AGENDA

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the board agenda. Second by T. Nelson. T. Nelson added the Chisago OAA under New Business C. **Votes via roll call, ayes 4, nays 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 21, 2023

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the board meeting minutes from March 21, 2023. Second by T. Nelson. **Votes via roll call, ayes 4, nays 0. Motion carried.**

REVIEW & APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Second by T. Nelson. **Votes via roll call, ayes 4, nays 0. Motion carried.**

TREASURER COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Lions LG555 - \$500 Parks and Rec (Resolution 2023-19)

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the Lions LG555 for \$500 for Parks and Rec (Resolution 2023-19). Second by R. Keller. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 4, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

3.2 Malt Liquor or Beer License – Falcon Ridge Golf Course (Resolution 2023-20)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the 3.2 Malt Liquor or Beer License for Falcon Ridge Golf Course (Resolution 2023-20). Second by B. Seekon. J. Barrett asked to review the application before approving. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 4, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Chisago Orderly Annexation Agreement (Resolution 2023-5)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Chisago Orderly Annexation Agreement (Resolution 2023-5). Second by B. Seekon. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 4, Nays 0.** R. Keller said it looks good and the sections are all there. **Motion carried.**



OLD BUSINESS

33675 Grand Ave

R. Keller explained there is some sort of trucking operation going on at this address. **B. Seekon made a motion to send a letter to the resident. Second by T. Nelson.** K. Lindquist said she will give the resident thirty days to comply with the ordinance.

C. Cagle entered the meeting.

J. Barrett asked if a first notice should be sent or if they should jump ahead. K. Lindquist explained the last letter was sent two and a half years ago and a courtesy letter should be sent before fining the resident. J. Barrett asked if the resident operates some sort of business and K. Lindquist replied saying if he does, it is not a legal one. C. Cagle said this is a long-standing issue and it pointed out this could actually be treated as a third letter, with fines starting next month. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Zoning

C. Cagle explained she had conversation with someone at the city on the proposed noise ordinance. She was told to stop working on changing ordinances and the city is governed by the state for noise. She would like to have P&Z only focus on things that need immediate response: permits, complaints, etc. All ordinance modifications and creations will be tabled. T. Nelson said the Stacy annexation will not happen for six months or longer. C. Cagle said noise rules could be depicted by zones or acreage and P&Z thought it should be sorted out by population. It could basically be a nuisance call but wondered if we would want the Clerk or Sheriff taking these calls. The Sheriff could submit to the state then could issue a citation, which would not make it the Clerk's responsibility. K. Lindquist said typically, with a nuisance complaint, a dog's bark will not measure or meet the tough PCA standards. Four wheelers and mining equipment even struggle to meet it.

C. Cagle then went on to explain a local welding company without a home occupation permit has been deemed ag, but has not been farmed. T. Smolke said it is on 253rd and the board questioned if it is in the township. The property is, but the access is not. The resident asked how long ag needs to be farmed and C. Cagle said maybe five years. K. Lindquist specified the township did not change the classification, the county gave the property the ag title and in Lent Township, an accessory building must be for secondary use only. An accessory building can be stand-alone if the property is ag. L. Lennon said his current pole building in on the lot line and K. Lindquist said there are two outbuildings already. C. Cagle said ag building has specific ag uses and the township is trying to confine the L. Lennon to the rules. She explained a home occupation permit is needed for a business. This will prompt the Clerk to mail the neighbors, publish the hearing, and keep record of the permit.

Roads

R. Keller discussed roadwork that needs to be done with the town engineer and said projects will be held off until after the upcoming road tour. J. Pelawa said the main problem is structural deficiencies like cracking roads and pockets. Class 5 with bituminous gives a stronger aggregate base for strength. The pockets on Grand Avenue can wait because they are going to last a couple more years- same with Enchantment Lane. The question is where do we spend now and where in two years from now. Going into this, the township did not want to put on a large lift so we just did the 2-3" lift, knowing we had to repair some. B. Seekon recalled MNDOT specifications were ¼" plus or minus. J. Pelawa said with a 4" lift mat, the edge will break off with loaded trucks and long saturation of moisture, until you get that structural strength. T. Nelson said we should look at major maintaining and start doing overlays. J.



Pelawa said maybe a 2" lift chip seal. It takes a concept, strategy, and a plan to get the most out of your investment. T. Nelson said we have to overlay some roads and R. Keller said we do not want to mill and overlay. J. Pelawa recalled the only road that had a deficient base was Grand Avenue. Chip seal is to preserve skid resistance on the subsurface and protect from oxidation and other things that happen on the surface. B. Seekon said that with the upcoming annexation, there will be a different deciding group and J. Barrett reminded the board it is in the budget. C. Cagle said part of the merger is the infrastructure but another member said after the merger the new city will not meet the 5000-population number. R. Keller would like to do two miles of paving and some crack sealing and had gotten some paving quotes before. T. Nelson would like to see Maintenance equipment that needs to be sold. J. Barrett would like to have the Maintenance Supervisor provide a list of obsolete or unused equipment to be sold as he is the one initiating this.

Seal Tech

T. Nelson said Seal Tech gave him estimates, one for each side of the freeway.

Parks

T. Nelson said he received an email from the Clerk letting him know that porta-potties were going in soon. He would like the new one by the Pickleball court to be steaked down. He also let M. Fehrman and T. Smolke know of scheduled baseball practices. J. Barrett said M. Fehrman was trapping gophers and T. Nelson wondered if there was a quote for irrigation yet.

Building

B. Seekon said he called Zerorez to mimic a new inquiry and asked how much our specific square feet would cost and the quote was much less. He will follow up with the company on the invoiced amount.

Hallway Flooring

B. Seekon said the flooring is getting much worse. C. Cagle said she chose it because it is made for high traffic industrial or commercial floors, even airports. B. Seekon is wondering if the bottom just snapped off and it could be warrantied. C. Cagle said there was a mathematical error and the township has ten extra boxes. The flooring company said this specific flooring would work, and it does not.

Urinals

B. Seekon said he talked with C. Griffin from maintenance and the filter is catching debris. The decision was made to get an inline filter, and if that does not work, they will purchase a couple diaphragm kits.

Broadband/ County Report

J. Barrett said on May 11th, certain Public Health benefits end, like telehealth and assistance, stemming from the pandemic. He gave more updates on the county meetings. They are using a company called ASTECH for seal coating. The Sheriff did a presentation at the CCATO meeting in Rushseba. There are currently 49 officers and they contract to six cities. He said road crew notice when things are out of place and they can be good eyes and ears for the Sheriff's Office. There is a new program that send officers to follow up on township issues throughout the county. The cases might be lower priority but the same officer with follow up each time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

D. Stiers asked about renting a road sweeper, but R. Keller said it would be a hire job as renting is too expensive. They discussed a timeline. This will save wear and tear on equipment and brooms. They agreed it is good to try it once. **B. Seekon made a motion to hire out and have the grit swept up and reclaimed. Second by R. Keller. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**



CLERK COMMENTS

None

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

C. Cagle said P&Z would like to refund none of the fee to Mr. Joos from his application. J. Barrett said they filed on January 20th, the pre-work was done by our planner, then we were informed on March 1st that North Branch had officially annexed their property. He proposed the fee be returned and B. Seekon agreed. **J. Barrett made a motion to return the application fee along with the unused escrow.**

Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried. C. Cagle clarified this is a special circumstance because of a historical change. B. Seekon said C. Cagle would like the interior pickleball lines on the hall floor instead of tape. C. Cagle said it is getting dangerous as people are catching themselves on it. She believes our Maintenance Department will be able to get the job done. C. Cagle said phase three for the building plan is a deck and poured patio to make an outdoor space in back. She would like to get a quote. The board discussed location possibilities.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Joint Planning – Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- Annual Road Tour – Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 10:30am @Lent
- CCATO – Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 10:30am @Nessel
- BOAE – Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 6pm @Lent
- Planning Commission – Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- Town Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- Spring Cleanup Day – Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 4pm @Lent

ADJOURN

T. Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:44pm. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Board Chair Signature

Clerk Signature

