



MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
March 16, 2021 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Call 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 884 0998 6203 Passcode: 729304

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Chairperson R. Keller, Vice Chair B. Seekon, Supervisor T. Nelson, Supervisor C. Cagle, Supervisor J. Eischens (remote)

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Treasurer S. Aker, Town Clerk K. Wood, Deputy Clerk B. Schule, Engineer J. Pelawa, 6 members of the public (attended virtually-listed for the record)

REVIEW & APPROVE THE AGENDA

R. Keller made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by C. Cagle. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 16, 2021

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Board meeting minutes from February 16, 2021. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, 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 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

TREASURER COMMENTS

None

B. Seekon read through the consent agenda:

1.	Biweekly Payroll 2/26/2021	3 Checks	\$5,087.95
2.	Biweekly Payroll 3/12/2021	3 Checks	\$5,032.51
3.	Monthly Payroll 3/16/2021	8 Checks	\$5,120.12
4.	Claims List	60 Checks	\$54,240.87
Total			\$69,481.45



NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Text Amendment of Final Plat language – Section 3.05 Preparing and Filing the Final Plat – Chapter 3 (Ordinance -2021-01)

B. Seekon made a motion to approve ordinance the final plat ordinance. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 0, Nays 5. Motion failed.

***Proposed Text Amendment Screening language - Section 3. Definitions – Chapter 2 *Proposed Text Amendment - Section 5.10. Rural Transit Center District. D. Interim Uses – Chapter 2 (Ordinance 2021-02)**

T. Nelson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-02 approving the screening and RTC text amendment. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Amendment for A-1 Tire to add overnight truck parking on the north side of the property (Resolution 2021-12)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-12 approving the amendment for A1 Tire (IUP). Second by B. Seekon. B. Seekon said he talked to K. Moen and had her update the language. He read number 16 regarding the annual review. There was discussion regarding the review period. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Zoning Amendment (Text Amendment) to add “commercial recreation” as an interim use in the RR-A district (Ordinance 2021-03)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the commercial recreation amendment. Second by B. Seekon. K. Moen is going to provide special permit application examples. Votes via roll call Ayes 0, Nays 5. Motion failed.

Comprehensive Plan Update

R. Keller said K. Moen has done a nice job with the map. He would like the option for commercial to expand. T. Nelson said it should be on all four corners of the Township. There was discussion about expanding the RTC. T. Nelson said they would like to see it go further east than Forest Blvd. B. Seekon said if people wanted to slate this east RTC would they not be able to do residential. C. Cagle said they would be a home-based business. Low density is 2.5 acres.

Town Transportation Planning

J. Pelawa said there are roadways that have 15-20 houses and there should not be 20 houses on a dead end. If an adjacent property develops, you can plan for it. 341st Street is a dead end and it could connect to Hemingway Avenue. The Township should have a map with these connections on it so if someone comes in and develops, they have a map with a plan. R. Keller said it is a rule that we do not want dead ends. Where possible, or in the future we want to connect the roads and should have a document. J. Pelawa said there are new developments that are proposing cul-de-sacs and they should have thruways. J. Pelawa showed the bump outs on intersections and on curves with roads being 22' wide. He said that it is information for you to start thinking about things. T. Nelson said he agrees and should have Planning look into it. R. Keller said we should adopt something first. T. Nelson said we need to be careful to pass this cost onto a developer. No direction was taken.



315th and Frontier Ave. Estimate – Fahrner Quote

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Fahrner quote for 315th St and Frontier Ave. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Approve Township Newspapers for Publishing Notices

B. Seekon made a motion to keep the Township publishing papers the same; Chisago County Press and the County News Review. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Contracts for Service

B. Seekon made a motion for a \$500 contract for service for the Chisago County Ag/Fair. Second by R. Keller. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

B. Seekon made a motion for a \$500 contract for service for the Chisago County Historical Society. Second by R. Keller. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

B. Seekon made a motion for a \$500 contract for service for CSOAF. Second by R. Keller. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

B. Seekon made a motion for a \$500 contract for service for Bob Gustafson for LARA. Second by R. Keller. Just youth this year. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

C. Cagle made a motion for a \$500 contract for service for the Seven County Senior Federation. Second by B. Seekon. By a roll call vote, motion failed.

C. Cagle made a motion for a \$500 contract for service for Family Pathways. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 3, Nays 2. Motion carried. R. Keller nay. B. Seekon nay.

Lions Fireworks

B. Seekon made a motion to donate \$1500 for the fireworks. Second by C. Cagle. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Lions LG555 - \$500 Parks and Rec (Resolution 2021-8)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Lions LG555 for \$500 for Parks and Rec (resolution 2021-8). Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

SLFD Fire Relief Association LG555 (Resolution 2021-9)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the SLFD Relief Association LG555 for \$25k for the pole barn fund (resolution 2021-9). Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.



M. Fehrman Review

T. Nelson and R. Keller met with M. Fehrman. They said that everything is going well and they are recommending a \$1 per hour raise. **C. Cagle made a motion to raise M. Fehrman's wage by \$1 per hour retroactive to his start date. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Spring Cleanup Day Discussion

After discussion, the Board decided that C. Cagle will attend the City of Stacy's Council meeting and invite them to join in the Spring Cleanup Day. **B. Seekon made a motion to have a joint Cleanup Day with Stacy from 4-7 on May 19, 2021. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

County Highway 17 Extension

No discussion

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Zoning

T. Nelson said there was a lot of discussion regarding commercial vs residential fines. P. Tiede said they can be treated differently. They are talking about giving commercial one warning and then the fine.

Roads

R. Keller said Maintenance has been grading and brushing/limbing. C. Cagle said they need to sweep up the grit. R. Keller said they will in April because we may still get snow.

Karmel Ave.

T. Nelson said there were some emails from residents that would like to get bids on Karmel Ave. R. Keller contacted Valley Paving and Knife River. It is .8 tenths of a mile (a little of 302nd) where Lent stops. \$84k to do a 2" lift for that small section. This is something we can look at doing in the future. T. Nelson said we are going to want a true number for the whole road including 302nd. That would eliminate sending the blade out. It is now on our radar. B. Seekon said we were not going to do it now. They discussed the subsurface on 302nd. T. Nelson said it would be good to get a whole number to start the discussion next year.

Parks

Monument in Stacy Park Repair

C. Cagle said that she was approached by a member of the community along with a member of the North Branch Auxiliary regarding the monuments in the park. One of the monuments is for Virgil Peterson and another Lent Resident. It is in the Lions Park and needs to be replaced so that it is permanent. She asked if the Board would be willing to chip in to have a granite monument. T. Nelson



said he would if the City would help out/split the cost. Options besides granite were discussed. C. Cagle will talk to J. Schroeder and the City.

C. Cagle asked about putting three fenced in pickleball courts in the dirt area of the parking lot of the Hall. They would have a lockbox. B. Seekon said we would be taking away from parking spots. R. Keller suggested not having a fence, only striping. C. Cagle said there would have to be fencing and is going to have the group research it. T. Nelson suggested that the courts be across the street from the Hall.

Building

C. Cagle said that there is a big hole in the women's bathroom because everything is busted out. The plumbing is going to be run above ground. By Thursday, the toilets will be set. The chip samples for the stalls are being sent. There will be 3 stalls in the women's bathroom and they should be finished this week. He will come in and do the men's after so that we will always have a bathroom. The mop sink will be put into the maintenance room.

Giese Quote

She eliminated the kitchen flooring and downgraded in cost but not in quality.
People are booking weddings at the Hall.

Pickleball Court at Town Hall

Already discussed.

B. Seekon said the parking lot striping is looking awful. R. Keller said we need to have a discussion with Fahrner. C. Cagle will give the painter a call regarding some issues with the paint on the outside of the Hall. It is guaranteed a year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

D. Stiers said he feels the process with A1 Tire has been a fiasco and said he does not have a connection with J. Selvog. He said there have been two stories with the parking. He started getting CUPs and feels that it was a *bait and switch situation*. He stated that on May 19, 2020 it was discussed. He (J. Selvog) put it in the plans and borrowed money for the truck parking. He said the Town is talking about expanding businesses and it is not hard to read through the minutes. He is glad to answer any questions to what he has said. B. Seekon said if you were at every meeting he would know that was not how it went and said that is D. Stier's opinion.

J. Selvog (5550 Athens Trl.) said D. Stiers is looking out for him and there were a lot of things and we all have to give and take. He said D. Stiers has a lot of good points and he is glad they came to an agreement. T. Nelson said the resolution is setting a precedent. J. Selvog said he wants his place to look nice. B. Seekon said to J. Selvog, thank you and I want your business to be successful.

J. Lahti (32421 Elk Lane) said she sent a letter about brushing and limbing to the Board. She would like to be sent a letter or notified prior to Maintenance brushing because the Township workers cut their tree. She understands that the trimming needs to be done, but she does not want her nice oak tree to be hurt. R. Keller said that he was out to the property and most of the Board saw the picture. The process is that branches within the 33' mark can be trimmed by the Township. R. Keller said if we are doing our



normal trimming and we may need a policy. Jessica said she would have liked to have been asked before they cut her old tree limbs. R. Keller said they cut the branches in the easement. R. Keller said he appreciates the feedback. They trim them back so that the road dries out. Tree branches can knock the lights off of the plow truck. There are notices on the website.

CLERK COMMENTS

K. Wood stated that she will order the Spring Cleanup Day postcards.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

C. Cagle said she wishes J. Selvog great success and thanked him for his patience. She said that this is how we start the footprint of our community. We have to start someplace and we learned a lot from working with you. The person who goes in next to you will complement the community.

B. Seekon: none

T. Nelson: none

R. Keller asked where CCATO will be. March Rushseba Town Hall. B. Seekon is going to contact N. Hoffman or J. Triplett to be possible speakers.

The 23rd is the work session with the Planning Commission at the Hall.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- ❖ Parks Meeting –TBD
- ❖ Work Session – Tuesday, March 23, 2021 – 7:00 pm
- ❖ CCATO Meeting – Wednesday, March 31, 2021 7:00 pm (Rushseba)
- ❖ Planning Commission – Wednesday, April 14, 2021- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Board Meeting – Tuesday, April 20, 2021- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Spring Cleanup Day – Wednesday, May 19, 2021 – 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
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ADJOURN

B. Seekon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Board Chair Signature

Clerk Signature

