

# **MINUTES**

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

March 21, 2023 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Call 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 864 4162 3203 Passcode: 125792 Town Hall 33155 Hemingway Avenue, Stacy, MN 55079

### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

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, Commission member D. Stiers, Planner K. Lindquist, and 3

members of the public signed in

# **REVIEW & APPROVE THE AGENDA**

**B.** Seekon made a motion to approve the board agenda. Second by T. Nelson. T. Nelson would like to add a line for contracts and R. Keller would like to add approved newspapers. Votes via roll call, ayes 5, nays 0. Motion carried.

## APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 21, 2023

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from February 21, 2023. Second by B. Seekon. R. Keller asked T. Smolke to draft ordinance for last month's transfer. J. Barrett asked if there is some sort of mechanism to carry old stuff over so it does not get forgotten and R. Keller said the clerk tracks everything. 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. B. Seekon brought up the Zerorez bill and said we should absolutely not pay it before calling them. Votes via roll call, ayes 5, nays 0. Motion carried.

#### TREASURER COMMENTS

S. Aker said last month's transfer from Road and Bridge to other funds will need a resolution. Please approve new Resolution 2023-17. \$250000 total, \$175000 going to planning and zoning, and \$75000 going to the general fund. R Keller learned the township cannot carry a negative balance and said they should have done that earlier. **B.**Seekon made a motion to approve the transfer of funds with Resolution 2023-17. Second by T. Nelson.

Votes via roll call, ayes 5, nays 0. Motion carried. S. Aker also told B. Seekon to phone Zerorez as soon as he can. T. Nelson asked S. Aker if she has met with the fire chief or if he has reached out or tried to contact her but she said no. T. Nelson said this happened with the former FD Bookkeeper as well.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Lions LG555 - \$500 Parks and Rec (Resolution 2023-14)

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the Lions LG555 for \$500 for Parks and Rec (Resolution 2023-14). Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

3.2 Malt Liquor or Beer License – Athens Trail Market (Resolution 2023-15)

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the 3.2 Malt Liquor or Beer License for Athens Trail Market (Resolution 2023-15). Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

ARPA funding for new SLFD radios



C. Cagle had a conversation with S. Aker and spent time on the Final Rule document. There is a form like a resolution. S. Aker said Lent's share would be 145180.25 for Resolution 2023-18. They discussed timing and the motion should be done as soon as possible. J. Barrett questioned if Stacy has anything they can offer and C. Cagle said our donation will help either way. B. Seekon made a motion to donate funds for our new SLFD radios in the amount of 145.180.25 from ARPA funds (Resolution 2023-18). Second by T. Nelson. C. Cagle said that in 2025 we have to justify money spent and a paper trail is a good thing to have. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

## **Bartending Events**

C. Cagle said she has been discussing this with T. Smolke. She said bartending should be up to the bride and groom. C. Cagle said home owner's insurance covers the renter. C. Cagle and R. Keller agreed that this will not impact hall rental charges. C. Cagle asked T. Smolke to update the application and the website to reflect this.

#### **Matt Fehrman Review**

R. Keller recommended a one dollar raise. J. Barrett made a motion to raise M. Fehrman's pay one dollar per hour. B. Seekon second. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.** 

#### **Contract for services**

R. Keller made a motion to approve a \$500 donation to the Chisago County Fair. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

The board voted that there will be no donation made to Chisago Age Well.

- T. Nelson made a motion to approve a \$500 donation to the Chisago County Historical Society. Second by R. Keller. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.
- C. Cagle made a motion to approve a \$600 donation to the Family Pathways. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 4, Nays 1. Motion carried.

The board voted that there will be no donation made to Stacy-Lent Youth Association. C. Cagle made a motion to have the Stacy-Lent kids ball paid for by parks fund. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 2, Nays 3. Motion not carried.

## **Newspapers**

R. Keller made a motion to approve the newspapers for township publishing. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call, ayes 5, nays 0. Motion carried.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

Manhammer Ranch - Final Plat (Resolution 2023-16)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Manhammer Ranch Final Plat (Resolution 2023-16). Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, ayes 5, nays 0. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Planning & Zoning

C. Cagle said she talked to Keith at Ehlers and the abatement will be honored. It was a specific amount of money for a specific amount of time and was based on whether we met the full dollar or time runs out. There is no money returned after the five-year mark. J. Selvog has yet to have inspections and the township wanted them once a year. T. Smolke reported J. Selvog was in attendance via zoom so C. Cagle asked him to be aware inspections are coming. C. Cagle reported that both parties from the Countryview Marine complaint were in attendance and a plan was formed to get fencing installed. The leaking pipe was capped, no more junk is allowed out front, and a for sale sign needs to go up. D. Stiers added that everything stored should be behind a fence or building, as that is in their CUP. He said they are running a big salvage and deny it. There are hundreds or thousands of boat motors they claim are being repaired. T. Nelson would like to start fining the business so they stay motivated. K. Lindquist said the fence will be constructed in June so the review should be after that. J. Johnson said, looking at the CUP, stored boats are to be kept behind the building or screened. K. Lindquist said that STF Properties are still in continuance.



R. Keller said will not return any fee to Joos although the application is no longer relevant to the township. He would like to see if after the bills are paid, there is any escrow to return. K. Lindquist asked if she should still look into expanding the Rural Tourism District and C. Cagle said there is no need since the application has been withdrawn.

#### Roads

R. Keller said snow is melting and discussed roads that need attention. He said these roads have to be done and the merger has nothing to do with them. R. Keller made a motion to adopt the future roadwork projects list from the annual meeting slideshow as a capitol approvement plan. Second by T. Nelson. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried. T. Nelson made a motion to contact Seal Tech and spend 50000 to 60000 at maximum. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

#### **Parks**

T. Nelson said there is not much to report as there has not been a meeting in a while. Spring is coming and first Wednesday in May is the fields scheduled start. He will get with maintenance to discuss the gophers at Reiger Park and also noted people are wrecking the electrical box when incorrectly turning on the field lights so he wants it fenced off. C. Cagle would like to hear the amount in the Pickleball fund. She would like some sort of windbreaker or sod because sand is flying from the field. She'd also like something at the bottom of the fence as the balls roll underneath. S. Aker reported there is just over 3000 in the pickleball fund.

#### Building

B. Seekon said C. Cagle would like to pickleball lines in the hall painted on. She would also like two large nets for pickleball.

#### Zerorez

B. Seekon said he will follow up on this.

# **Hallway Flooring**

T. Smolke is still waiting on a call back from Giese Carpet.

## **Remove Office Camera**

R. Keller wants the cameras in the office to stay. B. Seekon said they are video only with no audio. S. Aker informed the board of a cluster of ants and they replied with a solution – spray and trap.

#### **Broadband**

J. Barrett discussed the thank you note from ECE. He said he is attending county meetings virtually and shared some facts he learned. Road restrictions start March 10<sup>th</sup>. White and yellow paint for striping went up 30 or 32%.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

D. Stiers said J. Selvog told him about a veteran's memorial in North Branch and wanted to know if Lent would like to put anything toward it as they are currently asking for donations.

# **CLERK COMMENTS**

# Tanya Smolke Review

R. Keller recommended a one dollar raise. J. Barrett made a motion to raise T. Smolke's pay one dollar per hour then questioned if it should be more. B. Seekon second. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.** 

## SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

- T. Nelson said Chisago sent their annexation agreement in but the document was wrong. R. Keller said the document was drafted by their attorney and someone later caught it. It will be another month.
- J. Barrett asked about the perspective dog barking ordinance and T. Smolke said she is working with the county administrator and will have the planner draft an ordinance to bring to Planning and Zoning.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

■ Joint Powers – Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 7pm @SLFD



- Joint Planning Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- CCATO Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 7pm @Rushseba Sherriff will be there
- Planning Commission Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- Town Board Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- Joint Planning Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 7pm @Lent
- BOAE Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 6pm @Lent

# **ADJOURN**

R. Keller made a motion to adjourn at 9:38pm. Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Board Chair Signature

Clerk Signature

TANYA J. SMOLKE
Clerk, Lent Township, Chisago Co., MN
Notarial Officer (ex-officio notary public)
My term is indeterminate