



MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

May 17, 2022 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Call 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 823 9437 7238 Passcode: 451514 / Town Hall
33155 Hemingway Avenue, Stacy, MN 55079

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Treasurer S. Aker, Clerk K. Wood, Deputy Clerk T. Smolke, Planning Commission Chair M. Willcoxon, Planning Commission Member D. Stiers, Planner J. Hartmann, Planner K. Lindquist, Engineer J. Pelawa, County Commissioner B. Montzka, nine members of the public signed in/attended virtually

REVIEW & APPROVE THE AGENDA

J. Eischens made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by C. Cagle. There is a workshop on June 7, 2022 at 7pm for the Planning Commission and Board to discuss the standards in the RTC. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 19, 2022

J. Eischens made a motion to approve the Minutes from April 19, 2022. 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 C. Cagle. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

TREASURER COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Interim Ordinance Resolution (Resolution 2022-17)

R. Keller said they are looking into feasibility regarding car and truck washes. K. Strobel from Chisago County said the County does not allow carwashes unless they are on city sewer. C. Cagle said the mortarium allows up to a year so the Board can study this. **B. Seekon made a motion to approve the Interim Ordinance Resolution (Resolution 2022-17). Second by C. Cagle.** Station on 17's carwash has multiple issues and it is currently leaking, per R. Keller. J. Eischens told J. Selvog to bring in any information he has for his proposed wash. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Resolution Amending the Interim Use Permit for Overnight Truck Parking to Operate from Property Located at 5550 Athens Trail (Resolution 2022-18)

C. Cagle said the current IUP states the trees should go to the fence line, which is complete coverage of the business. The business owner is asking to do less screening. C. Cagle took the liberty of making a drawing to show the differences in the trees for screening and said that the trees will be thirty feet tall at full height. The trees cannot go over the emergency septic system. Additional screening was added when

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the overnight truck parking IUP was added. B. Seekon said the one option she presented would allow the parking to be screened and not block the business. M. Willcoxon interjected, adding that if something else was built across the way, they will see the lights shining. T. Nelson said that the trees should not be planted in the ditch due to flooding concerns. J. Selvog noted that the ditch is dry. C. Cagle said that the purpose of the property is to allow J. Selvog to maintain business exposure and not have his building covered by trees. After discussion, **R. Keller made a motion to approve the Amended Interim Use Permit for Overnight Truck Parking to Operate from Property Located at 5550 Athens Trail (Resolution 2022-18) allowing the applicant to plant 4' and 6' evergreen trees for screening at the time of planting in two staggered rows, not in the ditch. Second by T. Nelson.** T. Nelson said that J. Selvog should go off of the recommendation of his arborist for spacing. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2 Section 3 Definitions for Bluffs, Buildable Area; and Amending Chapter 2 Section 5.12 Dimensional Standards of the Land Use Regulations (Ordinance 2022-04)

R. Keller said that this is an adjustment of the slope requirement. J. Hartmann added that it also changes the minimum buildable area to match the County. It allows more properties to meet the buildable requirement. It is 21,500 square feet contiguous. **B. Seekon made a motion to approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 2 Section 3 Definitions for Bluffs, Buildable Area; and Amending Chapter 2 Section 5.12 Dimensional Standards of the Land Use Regulations (Ordinance 2022-04). Second by C. Cagle. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Minimum Buildable Area Policy

J. Hartmann said that the Planning Commission would like the easement to be considered in the buildable area when necessary to provide more flexibility. **R. Keller made a motion to approve the minimum buildable area policy. Second by J. Eischens. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Stacy Lent Merger Report

R. Keller said that there is a meeting with the City of Stacy on Thursday. R. Keller also stated that he and T. Nelson have had some good conversations with North Branch. They were not initially interested in annexing Lent, but some residents would like to be North Branch residents. There was discussion of them annexing to County Road 61.

Clarification of Chisago City Annexation

R. Keller said that Chisago City would like to annex section 13 and T. Nelson said there is nothing in writing. He noted that it was just he and R. Keller meeting with Chisago, so it was not a meeting. B. Seekon said that the rest of the Board would have to sign off on everything to move forward. T. Nelson intends on meeting with their mayor. C. Cagle said that they would like to be updated on their discussions regarding annexation prior to attending another Stacy annexation meeting.

Letter to Lent Residents Chisago City Annexation Area

R. Keller said that they should hold off sending a letter. T. Nelson said that we should continue to put what we know on the website.



Mailbox Requirements

R. Keller said the Postmaster requires cluster boxes when there are five or more homes. The biggest issue will be maintenance and developments have to plan for these. The Board would like Planning to address this.

Approval of Telise Schroeder – PC Alternate

C. Cagle made a motion to approve T. Schroeder as an Alternate Planning Commission Member. Second by B. Seekon. A Vice Chair needs to be chosen as well and M. Willcoxon suggested J. Johnson, but B. Seekon said he is concerned because he attends via Zoom. M. Willcoxon said that he is very thorough, engaged, and productive. The Vice Chair topic will be discussed later. **Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

D. Stiers noted that he would like to do some Planning training. WSB offers it.

Senior Center Contract for Service Request

Tabled

Lions LG555 - \$500 Reiger Field Play Ground (Resolution 2022-19)

T. Nelson made a motion to approve the Lions LG555 \$500 for Reiger Field Playground (Resolution 2022-19). Second by B. Seekon. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Planning Commission Reorganization

Discussed

Insurance Meeting Update

T. Nelson said the Township is the policy holder, so they cannot send it separate from the SLFD, but will invoice separately.

Rental House Discussion

B. Seekon said the tenants moved out of the rental house and he took photos because they left some items. He got a copy of the deed and K. Wood went through the old minutes, but could not find any stipulations as to who the Township had to rent to. The Board has to decide if they would like to sell, demo, or rent it. T. Nelson suggested to demo it and make a SLFD parking lot. C. Cagle said it needs a new driveway. B. Seekon said that Maintenance has been cleaning it out.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Zoning

C. Cagle said that she drove by the Elk Lane property today and they were cleaning up. A letter was sent to Olo Hauling and they said they are going to clean their property up. J. Hartmann said that the Elk Lane property closed on Monday and they intend to flip it. K. Wood said that the Township received the \$3500 fines in the office today.

Roads

The Annual Road Tour is on the 23rd at 9am.



Parks

T. Nelson said the woodchips have been put in. C. Cagle asked if they can put up wind screening for the outdoor Pickleball court. The Township does not have extra. M. Willcoxon asked about the dip in the court and if it could be fixed because it holds sand. T. Nelson is working with Prefer on that issue.

Building

B. Seekon said he has a few things left to do at the maintenance building and they are waiting on the SLFD painting. A tree that fell by the playground was discussed. He will let Maintenance know to take care of it if it is on Township property. C. Cagle mentioned the three trees in front of the Hall that need to be removed. C. Cagle asked K. Williams to get two quotes for the SLFD HVAC.

Broadband

J. Eischens said there is no grant money from ECE for Lent right now, but there is a letter that can be signed to move the process along when it becomes available. **B. Seekon made a motion for the Township to sign the letter to ECE. Second by J. Eischens. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Hometown fiber will be discussing what they are doing at the meeting. Chisago County is looking at copying the Washington County grant, but J. Eischens does not think it is enough.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

B. Montzka said there is money available for Broadband. He is the new County Commissioner for Lent. R. Keller said that C. DuBose always came to the Cleanup Days to help out. He said to check on the open meeting law regarding Zoom. *Clerk's note: MAT Attorney stated that COVID is still considered a pandemic, so Zoom meetings are still okay.

The resident who lives at the farm house near A1 Tire asked if they need to drill a new well because of water quality issues related to A1. They also said screening is a concern. Trees are being removed on the Carlson property next door to A1 Tire.

CLERK COMMENTS

K. Wood Review

R. Keller and T. Nelson had a review with K. Wood. She is doing well; they appreciate what she does and recommend a \$2 per hour raise. **C. Cagle made a motion for a \$2 per hour raise for K. Wood retroactive to 5/9. Second by J. Eischens. Votes via roll call, Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

K. Wood reminded everyone that volunteers are still needed at Cleanup Day tomorrow and there is an alternate spot left on the Planning Commission.

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

J. Eischens said they are looking to do County Road 19 by July 4th weekend. C. Cagle said the Outdoor Pickleball Open House is tomorrow and the Chisago County Press will be there. T. Nelson said there have been two special meetings for the Relief. S. Bengston will be ready to go on 6/6. The audit is the end of July. B. Seekon is going to continue to go to meetings at North Branch.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

- ❖ Spring Cleanup Day/Pickleball Open House – Wednesday, May 18, 2022-4-7pm
- ❖ Special Meeting with Stacy – Thursday, May 19, 2022 – 7:00 – Stacy City Hall
- ❖ Annual Road Tour – Monday, May 23, 2022 – 9:00 am
- ❖ CCATO Meeting – Wednesday, May 25, 2022 – 7:00 pm – Shafer Township
- ❖ Parks Meeting –Tuesday, May 31, 2022 – 6:00 pm
- ❖ Joint Powers – Monday, June 6, 2022 – 7:00 pm – SLFD
- ❖ Planning Commission – Wednesday, June 8, 2022- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Board Meeting – Tuesday, June 21, 2022- 7:00 pm

ADJOURN

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

Board Chair Signature

Clerk Signature

