



MINUTES
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

November 16, 2021 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Call 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 811 3034 6728 Passcode: 391227 /
Lent Town Hall 33155 Hemingway Ave., Stacy, MN 55079

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

R. Keller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Treasurer S. Aker, Town Clerk K. Wood, Deputy Clerk L. Carr, Planner K. Lindquist, Planner J. Hartmann, 6 members of the public (attended virtually/in-person-listed for the record)

REVIEW & APPROVE THE AGENDA

B. Seekon made motion to approve the agenda. Second by J. Eischens. C. Cagle added under New Business: Adding a Staffed Office Day. B. Seekon would like to talk about plumbing under the Building Report. **Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 19, 2021

J. Eischens made a motion to approve the Board Meeting minutes from the October 19, 2021 Board meeting. 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. C. Cagle seconded. Shouldering will be discussed under Roads. The Chevy Tahoe is the new Chief 1 truck. **Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

TREASURER COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6 Section 4 Fees: D Surety (Ordinance 2021-10)

B. Seekon said he asked the Planners to change the language regarding how the money is accepted. **B. Seekon made motion to approve Ordinance 2021-10 amending Chapter 6 Section 4 Fees: D Surety. Second by C. Cagle. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

Planning Commission Alternate

B. Seekon stated that there were three applicants and that the Planning Commission would like two alternates due to staff shortages. The people who submitted letters of interest were: Dick Stiers, Jennifer McGill, and Dustin Ardolf. B. Seekon said the Planning Commission wanted new perspectives and diversity. **B. Seekon made a motion to approve the Planning Commission recommendations for Dustin Ardolf and Jennifer McGill to be Planning Commission Alternates. Second by J. Eischens.**



B. Seekon said that getting new perspectives is a good thing. C. Cagle said that long-standing residents have a history of being valuable and have good input too. **Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.** R. Keller thanked the applicants for their interest.

Olson Final Plat (Resolution 2021-42)

B. Seekon made a motion to approve the Olson final plat (Resolution 2021-42). Second by C. Cagle. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Adopt Assessment Roll (Resolution 2021-43)

C. Cagle made a motion to adopt the assessment roll and approve Resolution 2021-42. Second by B. Seekon. R. Keller read the amounts and explained that this is for unpaid citations and legal fees. There were no public comments. **Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

32050 Elk Lane Special Assessment of \$6142.20 - \$5100 is for the unpaid citations and \$1042.20 are for payment of legal fees.

5265 318th Street Special Assessment of \$5100.00 for unpaid citations and the 2021 legal fees will be assessed next year.

Lions LG555 - \$500 Electric Bill Reiger Field (Resolution 2021-44)

B. Seekon made motion to accept the Lions LG555 for \$500 for the Electric Bill at Reiger Field (Resolution 2021-41). Second by R. Keller. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.

Staff Office Day

C. Cagle said she would like the office staffed another day and asked K. Wood which day she would prefer. K. Wood said that she did not have a preference. The Board decided on Mondays and to start right away.

OLD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Zoning

B. Seekon said the Planning Commission discussed the Elk Lane Citation and how Deputy Carroll did not criminally cite them as requested. K. Wood explained that P. Tiede has sent a letter to the Sheriff regarding the 318th complaint. M. Olson is going to discuss the citation with the Deputy. B. Seekon said that there will be a public hearing regarding lot combinations at the next Planning Commission meeting. J. Hartmann put together application checklists to make the application process more streamlined for Staff and applicants. Application deadlines were discussed and the Township will require escrows for some applications to cover costs. T. Nelson said that the County issued the CUP for Forest Lake Contracting and now the Township must enforce it as we are getting complaints. T. Nelson requested that the issue go to the Planning Commission. K. Wood will send the original CUP and minutes out to Planning.

Roads

R. Keller said a quote for \$60K for shouldering was initially received, but the invoice was over \$90K. He had last year's roads in mind and M. Fehrman thought all of them were to be shouldered. B. Seekon questioned the material that was used and R. Keller responded that the recycle would hold up better than Class 2. Moving forward, there will be a meeting with Maintenance, T. Nelson and R. Keller to discuss what is to be done so that everyone is on the same page. S. Aker said that the entire invoice should be



paid as opposed to splitting it. The Board noted that they will be careful moving forward with big money decisions. R. Keller said that two to three years of shouldering got done.

R. Keller did the road report and said the roads look good. Maintenance is working on brushing. The tractor mower broke and will be fixed. There were two tire quotes from A1 Tire in the packet; for the one ton and the plow C. Griffin uses. The tires on the plow are from 2005 and have a little tread left; R. Keller feels that they can wait on replacing them. B. Seekon reminded the Board that the plow has gotten stuck. **C. Cagle made motion to purchase new rear tires at A1 Tire for the plow truck for \$1700 per the quote. T. Nelson seconded. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

R. Keller said tires on the one ton truck can wait. B. Seekon was concerned about traction and would like to replace them now. **B. Seekon made motion to approve the purchase of new tires for the one ton truck. T. Nelson seconded. Votes via roll call Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motion carried.**

T. Nelson asked about having a road committee meeting soon because he has received emails from people who live on Karmel Avenue. They would like to have a meeting after the first of the year and prior to the Annual Meeting. The counters were put out and there were multiple tracks on just one; it appeared that the tracks were from an ATV doing circles over the middle counter. There were 1600-1700 hits at the ends and 3000 at the middle counter. This will be brought up at the Road meeting.

Parks

C. Cagle would like to have an open house in the spring for the outdoor Pickleball courts. The notice will go out in the Spring Cleanup Day postcard. T. Nelson said that the new dugouts are in progress.

Building

C. Cagle called Lloyds and they have ordered a replacement eye and a valve. She has a list of inside projects for Maintenance to do when brushing is done. She called Chad from Generik, and they came Monday and did a walk through. She would like the handicap door installed prior to the Annual Meeting. B. Seekon said the old microphones are missing and he does not believe he threw them away. The camera has been moved by the dumpster. The Board discussed locking the dumpsters. B. Seekon would like permission to try to fix the plumbing. The Board told him to go ahead.

Broadband

J. Eischens has been in contact with Mark Johnson from Midco and they have been laying fiber on the westside of the Township. She noted that it may be available for J. Selvog. She is concerned that they may be *cherry picking*. There is money for Broadband in the infrastructure bill. T. Nelson noted that new cable was put in from 72 to Lincoln Trail to Kost Trail. R. Keller noted that if County Road 17 goes through, Midco will come to that area. J. Eischens said ARPA funds may be used.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

D. Stiers said that Erie Lane has not been repaired and noted that if the plows are set how they have been the last two years, it could potentially take two feet off the road. R. Keller assured him this has been addressed with C. Griffin. It will not be fixed before winter.

B. Woods asked if the Township has discussed senior housing options, not assisted living. R. Keller said nothing has been formally planned, but it has been addressed at the Planning Commission and more discussions can be had. C. Cagle said the Comp Plan has some lots guided to potentially be one acre. She said the Township needs to allow for fourplex or sixplex housing due to an ageing community. B. Woods said she has no intention in leaving Lent Township.



D. Stiers said the reason he applied to be an alternate is he comes to the meetings and wants to see what is being discussed. K. Wood said a paper packet could be made for D. Stiers. R. Keller is fine with this. The Board discussed electronic packet options. After discussion, R. Keller said they can keep it the way it is.

P. Olson said it is concerning to not to know how to control how much to spend on a job and suggested using contracts to help stay within budget. Contractors stop at the cap on the agreement. She said it is concerning that Board members do not seem worried about costs and mistakes. She would like to make sure the money is being spent responsibly. C. Cagle said decisions are being made on the road and there is no follow through. J. Eischens asked if they would then be micromanaging Maintenance Staff. C. Cagle said no, they need to do their due diligence and have a formal meeting to give them guidelines. They will have a monthly meeting with checklists for projects. B. Seekon said that the Board is responsible for the projects in the Township. Plumbing was discussed. Moving forward, contracts will be done.

CLERK COMMENTS

None

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS

C. Cagle said she would like to look at ARPA funds for radios and get a final cost. She went to the ARMER meeting and more people attended via Zoom.

J. Eischens said she has been going to the County Board meetings. Tiny houses were brought up and she was wondering if the Township should look into them. B. Seekon said that the Township cannot be less restrictive than the County.

B. Seekon noted there is a CCATO meeting on December 8th. C. Cagle will help L. Carr with Zoom at the Planning Commission meeting.

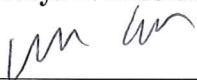
T. Nelson talked about the ARMER meeting, timeframes were discussed, police will encrypt radios in 2024/2025, but not the Fire Department, it will cost a lot more. He said they should start budgeting now. He said he will check with Peter Teide to make sure we can use ARPA funds for this. He said they have been setting aside money for the radios, but they will need much more. The Fire department can give the Joint Powers a cost estimate. T. Nelson would like to use ARPA funds for public safety.

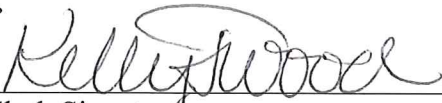
UPCOMING MEETINGS

- ❖ Joint Powers – Monday, December 6, 2021 – 7:00 pm
- ❖ CCATO Meeting - Wednesday, December 8, 2021 - 7:00 pm
- ❖ Planning Commission – Wednesday, December 8, 2021- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Board Meeting – Tuesday, December 21, 2021- 7:00 pm
- ❖ Parks Meeting –TBD

ADJOURN

B. Seekon made motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 pm. Second by J. Eischens. Votes via roll call Ayes 4, Nays 1. Motion carried. B. Seekon nay.


Board Chair Signature


Clerk Signature

