

**MINUTES**  
**Twin Lakes Township**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 2018**  
**Town Board Meeting at the Carlton Fire Hall**  
**5:30 p.m.**

Board Chair Diane Felde-Finke opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Other board members present: Supervisor John Vernon, Supervisor Randy Willie, Treasurer Stephanie Schmitz, Clerk Sue Chapin.

**GUESTS:**

Dan Belden, WLSSD: Belden presented a graph showing the trend for the past ten years of data for the township. Our average flow has gone down over the past year. He also presented a table of two years of data for all of the WLSSD municipalities. The township is doing well. BODs and SS are being tested at Komoko Road, and are going up a little bit. The casino is working on a new grease trap, which may be affecting those numbers. FDL does testing once a month. Belden said the township may want to consider testing at the casino every day for a two week period. Johnson said that a grab tester had been put in at the casino for two weeks, but it did not get good data. There should be less grease coming from the new Kwik Trip location, as there is no longer a restaurant operating there. Belden explained a grant program available annually, with a maximum amount of \$10,000 and a 25% match. Examples of items the grant can cover are ordinance changes, feasibility studies, and better maps to show utilities. The Big Lake project is moving forward and construction may start this year.

Mike Miller: In early November 2017 there was one event with 1/10 inch of rain in the preceding five hours, but the flow went up to .3 mgd, which is quite high. Other than that flows are normal, and peak flows for 2017 were less than 2016. All indications are that the system is still tight. Televising was done from I35 to Halvorson Road. This year Miller recommends doing from Halvorson Road to Komoko Road. We should also do from the County Transportation Building to Olsonville. Combined cost for both of those should be around \$6,000 for cleaning and televising. In general, the numbers for FOG in 2017 are higher than for 2016. Better grease traps at the casino should help. There were two times when rags were in the system; Miller suggested the option of putting a bar screen upstream to deal with problems like that. However, that is a costly option, and Johnson stated that things don't get past the lift station, we just get a pump fail. Miller said dealing with the problem at the lift station, with a basket right at the inflow, would be a cost effective solution. However, the basket would probably fill up quite often. Miller recommended doing an inspection at the Kwik Trip location this year, along with the casino and Spirits. For next year's WLSSD report, we may want to look at flows determined at the lift station at the casino, for the past four or five years, to see if that accounts for the upward trend. Discussion on whether any information we have for the water line project could be used to apply for the WLSSD grant. The case can't be made that any of the water issues in the proposed project area are tied in with on-site systems. Miller mentioned that in the annual report he had prepared for WLSSD there may be a correction on a few pages; he will send those to the clerk if needed.

Ron Johnson: Johnson presented the Lift Stations Report: Both lift stations ran without a problem for the entire month. Royal Pines Motel is not open. Johnson had a medical issue that affected his hand, so he was not able to read meters; he averaged the usage of the meters.

**MOTION to approve the January 17, 2018 minutes as printed was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

**MOTION to pay all bills, check numbers #16568 - #16575 and electronic payment 941FEB18 for the total amount of \$16,725.21 was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

The board reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Water Line: The board reviewed the 2018 billing rate increases for Donohue. **MOTION to approve the Donohue 2018 billing rates was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

The board reviewed the Donohue Progress Report and the draft legislative bill.

Willie reported on today's meeting with legislators Tony Lourey and Mike Sundin. Derek Wolf, Kitty Bureau, and Tim Korby were also in attendance. There was discussion on the Schmitz Road arsenic issue, and Lourey and Sundin recommend not using that as a reason the project is needed, as PFA and RD are favoring individual treatment for those homes. A recommendation was made to hire a lobbyist, which would cost about \$15,000. A specific lobbyist was discussed; Bureau will do more research. Lourey stated that he thought we should be able to get a hearing. Aside from the meeting report, Willie also mentioned that he had information that the county is still committed to the project in the amount of \$1 million, as they previously stated.

- Gillogly Road: The township received a request from Dave Chmielewski for the current Gillogly Road plans and cost estimate; the board directed the clerk to do some research. The board reviewed emails received from Dave Chmielewski, and discussed his ideas about Gillogly and an alternative quote. Discussion on an email from NCE regarding how to handle paved driveways. The board agreed that after construction, those should be paved to the ROW, allowing the temporary easements to expire.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Kwik Trip: **MOTION to renew the Kwik Trip liquor license was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon ; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

- 2017 I & I and FOG report and 2018 Work Plan: The board reviewed the report and work plan as prepared by Mike Miller. **MOTION to approve the 2017 I & I and FOG Report and 2018 Work Plan, with corrected pages if needed, was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

## ROAD MAINTENANCE

- None.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- None.

## MEETINGS

- Gillogly Road Public Meeting, Thursday, February 8, 6:00 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building.

- Water Line Public Hearing, Thursday, February 15, 7:00 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building.

**MOTION to adjourn was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.** The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Chapin, Clerk

Diane Felde-Finke, Board Chair