

**MINUTES**  
**Twin Lakes Township**  
**Wednesday, May 3, 2017**  
**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, Clerk Sue Chapin. Absent: Treasurer Stephanie Schmitz. Also present: Road Foreman Bob Olean.

**GUESTS:**

- Ron Johnson, Lift Stations Report: Both lift stations ran without a problem for the entire month. Johnson spoke with Heather Cunningham at Carlton County Zoning regarding Kwik Trip's discharge from the pressure relief valve on the well booster pump. The MPCA would have the say on whether they need a storm water pond, but Cunningham said the land should be able to except any runoff. Julie Macor at WLSSD said that the runoff could go into the sanitary sewer system, with conditions, including the need of a written request with specific information. Kwik Trip has installed their wells; Johnson will find out what contractor they are using.

- Joel Reed, Carlton Graduation Party Committee: Reed thanked the township for the donation sent to the committee.

**MOTION to approve the April 19, 2017 minutes as printed was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

**MOTION to approve the Board of Appeal and Equalization April 27, 2017 minutes as printed was made by Felde-Finke and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

**MOTION to pay all bills, check numbers #16245 - #16251 and electronic payment 941MAY17 for the total amount of \$8,670.82 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: Willie reported that the meeting with Representatives Sundin and Lourey, Derek Wolf, and Tim Korby went well. Topics included the arsenic problem in the Schmitz Road area and now in Olsonville, and the need for funding. Additional testing is being pursued in Olsonville. Sundin and Lourey have put together an article that will appear in the Pine Journal. At the Carlton County Committee of the Whole meeting last evening, the commissioners formed a subcommittee to determine the water needs in the county development; those needs to be determined by July 15. The county has access to \$2 million in grant funds, but a decision needs to be made about plans for their development in order to be able to access those funds. The board discussed the history of the water project, and the need to inform current commissioners and county employees about that history. At the meeting last night, it was mentioned that the transportation building is having problems with their water supply.

- Gillogly Road: Clerk contacted the Hanft Fride Law office, and attorney Holly LaBoone-Haller has agreed to work on easements.
- East Chub Lake Road, Pipeline Issue: Reimbursement of \$2,809.92 has been received from TransCanada, for work done to repair road damage that occurred due to the sinkhole last year.
- ORV Trail: Representatives from the Duluth Off-Road Association were at the Carlton County Committee of the Whole meeting last night and gave a presentation. Willie and Vernon both spoke against the trail at the meeting. The board discussed various aspects of how to best express opposition to the trail.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Liquor Licenses: Discussion on total number of licenses allowed in the township, and the board agreed that number is six, based on past discussions. **MOTION to approve a Resolution Regarding a Policy for the Issuance of Liquor Licenses was made by Vernon and seconded by Willie; all voted yes, the motion passed.**
- 2017 Dust Control: The board reviewed the 2017 Dust Control order from the county. **MOTION to approve the 2017 Dust Control Order for Old East Chub Lake Road and for Swenson Road was made by Vernon and seconded by Willie; all voted yes, the motion passed.**
- Annual Bridge Inspection: The board reviewed the annual bridge inspection report. The bridge on Douglas Road is in good condition, and standard maintenance was recommended.
- Hay Lake Road Property: Residents expressed concern about clear cutting done on a large area, and about a potential business being run at the location. The board discussed and no further action is needed by the board at this point.

### ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Road Review: The Road Review was scheduled for Thursday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m., beginning at the Carlton Fire Hall.
- Blacktop Hopper: Vernon reported that a blacktop hopper is up for auction locally, the board agreed that Vernon should bid on the item on behalf of the township, if he thought it was in good condition.
- Township Truck: Olean reported that batteries were replaced in the truck.
- Halvorson Road: Olean fixed the radiuses at both entrances.
- Pfeifer Road: Olean inspected the hammerhead and found standing water because there was not enough material; he had one load brought in and it is fixed now.
- Sandwick Road: Brush cutting has not been started yet.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- Carlton County Zoning, Notice of Decision, variance permit granted to Jeffery Hunter, Sr., 1323 Nordquist Road.
- United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, letter regarding acquisition of land, FDL Band.
- Lakes & Pines, newsletter.
- Carlton County Historical Society, newsletter.
- Couri & Ruppe, information about upcoming legal seminar.
- Century Link, letter regarding construction season.

## MEETINGS

- MAT Short Course, April 7, Black Bear Casino. Various items will be discussed during the Road Review.
- Joint Powers Board meeting, Thursday, May 11, 6:00 p.m., Carlton City Hall.

**MOTION to adjourn was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.** The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Chapin, Clerk

Diane Felde-Finke, Board Chair