

MINUTES
Twin Lakes Township
Wednesday, August 16, 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, Treasurer Stephanie Schmitz, Clerk Sue Chapin. Absent: Supervisor Randy Willie. Also present: Road Foreman Bob Olean.

GUESTS: John Korienek: Korienek introduced himself and described his business; he is a civil engineer, and has also done a lot of tree removal among other projects. He drove the two roads that we are looking at clearing – Cologne Road and Town Road 544. Olean will meet Korienek on the sites to discuss how much should be cleared. Discussion on what needs to be done on each road. Korienek's hourly rate for cutting, loading, and removing from site is \$40 an hour. Discussion on other roads that need work done in the ROW. Korienek will send his certificate of insurance to the Clerk. **MOTION for Korienek to do brushing and limbs on roads as Olean determines necessary was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

MOTION to approve the August 2, 2017 minutes as printed was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.

MOTION to pay all bills, check numbers #16326 - #16341 and electronic payment PERA17AUG for the total amount of \$19,738.75 was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.

Schmitz presented the Treasurer's Report.

OLD BUSINESS

- Water Line: A letter was received from the USDA – Rural Development, stating that the income survey has been completed and our median household income, in the proposed service area, is \$53,076.

- Gillogly Road: An easement meeting with NCE, the survey company, and our attorney is set for Thursday, August 24, at 10:00 a.m., at the NCE offices in Duluth.

- Overlie Road: The board reviewed the wetland determination completed by Will Bomier with Carlton County. **MOTION to approve the Overlie Road Wetland Determination was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.** A letter was received from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, stating our submittal was received.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Douglas Road: Discussion on washout area solutions. Olean will check it out again after the rain we've had. Olean recommends blacktopping shoulder back to where the water is going over the edge. Discussion on amount of rip rap that will be needed. Vernon requested three quotes for work to be done. Olean will get quotes from contractors after meeting them on site.
- Shiels Road: Resident reported potholes; Olean marked them and the county will take care of them as soon as they can. East Chub Lake Road and West Chub Lake Road also need potholes taken care of.
- Larson Road: Olean does not recommend removing corduroy, but covering it instead. He stated get matting down, 1' of pit run, and then class 5 in the worse area between two power poles. **MOTION to fix Larson Road as per Olean's recommendation was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.**
- Leimer Road: Discussion on railroad crossing – Olean recommends extending the culvert 10' on each side and putting rip rap in. Vernon will talk with Bob Burns with the railroad. **MOTION to proceed with fixing the railroad crossing area, contingent on Burns contacting Olean, was made by Felde-Finke and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**
- Komoko Road: Dead end sign was down; county will replace it.
- Jay West Road: No Parking Between Signs signs still need to be put up; county is working on it.
- Northern Natural Gas Road: The road has again been experiencing a beaver problem; Olean has Gary Williams working on it. One was removed; Williams tried for a second one, but after a week he has not trapped it, so he thinks it moved out. Olean would like to have that ditch area cleaned out so the water moves better. **MOTION to proceed with having the problem ditch area cleaned out on Northern Natural Gas Road was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

CORRESPONDENCE

- Enbridge, information about a digital town hall.
- WLSSD, Flows and Loadings for July, both BODs and SS were below budgeted amounts.
- FEMA, letter informing us that we will be receiving a final payment for the 2012 flood claim.

MEETINGS

- Town Hall Meeting with Legislators (re: water line), Monday, August 21, 6:30 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building.

- Carlton County Roadway Safety Workshop, Wednesday, September 6, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building.

OLD BUSINESS (cont'd)

(The meeting moved to the land owned on Douglas Road).

- Town Land: Discussion on placement of building and driveway. The board agreed that the town hall building should be located on the east end of the field, about 100' from the edge, and an area of lawn space should be behind the building (south side of building). A driveway entrance location was decided on, with a 40' culvert. Olean will get a couple of quotes for the driveway work.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Chapin, Clerk

Diane Felde-Finke, Board Chair