

MINUTES
Twin Lakes Township
Wednesday, October 18, 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, Treasurer Stephanie Schmitz, Clerk Sue Chapin. Others present: Road Foreman Bob Olean.

GUESTS:
None.

MOTION to approve the October 4, 2017 minutes as printed was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.

MOTION to pay all bills, check numbers #16383 - #16398 and electronic payment PERA17OCT for the total amount of \$10,807.86 was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.

Schmitz presented the Treasurer's Report.

OLD BUSINESS

- Water Line: The board reviewed the following information received from Sambatek: Carlton/Twin Lakes Township Water CAD Model Calibration and Additional Services Technical Memorandum, and the Environmental Report. Willie will be participating in a teleconference with the City of Carlton, Sambatek, and Donohue, to go over some changes that Donohue would like made.

- Enbridge Line 3 Replacement: Discussion about the township giving a Letter of Support for the Enbridge Line 3 Replacement project. Felde-Finke mentioned that Fond du Lac is opposed to the project; but Willie stated that while there is an opposition group, the band as a whole is not opposed. Felde-Finke mentioned that the MN Department of Commerce has said that the majority of the product going through Line 3 will not be used in Minnesota, and that Line 67 provides all Minnesota needs for its use. Felde-Finke expressed environmental concerns with the project. Willie and Vernon both stated that they support the project, citing the support the project has received from other townships and in other states. **MOTION to approve a Letter of Support for the Enbridge Line 3 Replacement project was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; Willie and Vernon voted yes, Felde-Finke voted no, the motion passed.**

NEW BUSINESS

- WLSSD 2018 Budget: The 2018 budgeted wastewater treatment monthly charge is \$6,461, an increase of \$282 from this year. The 2018 district-wide allocation is \$9,073, which is a decrease of \$197 from this year. The 2017 year-end adjustment will be calculated in January.

- MN Department of Transportation: A township map for review and comment was received from the Geographic Information and Mapping Section at MnDOT. Clerk will verify that information is correct and return as per their request.

- Mother Son Gala: A donation request was received from Carlton Community Education for a new event being held this year; a Mother Son Gala. **MOTION to donate \$200 to the Mother Son Gala was made by Vernon and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

- Wells Fargo Accounts: Clerk reported that her online banking account had been breached, and as a result the account numbers for our Wells Fargo Checking and Savings accounts will need to be changed. The bank is requiring a Letter of Authorization for one person to act on the township's behalf to make those changes. **MOTION to approve a Letter of Authorization for Clerk Sue Chapin to act on behalf of the township with Wells Fargo was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.** The Clerk and Treasurer will soon be appointing deputies, Deputy Clerk Lora Eames and Deputy Treasurer Cheryl Demenge, and they will need to be added to the signature cards on our Wells Fargo accounts. **MOTION to add Lora Eames and Cheryl Demenge to the signature cards on our Wells Fargo Checking and Savings accounts, after they are appointed as deputies, was made by Willie and seconded by Vernon; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

- Stage Stop Historical Marker: The historical marker noting the location of the original Twin Lakes Stage Stop, located on County Road 4, is in disrepair. Discussion on repairs that could be made; Vernon will inspect the sign.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Larson Road: The road project is done except for compaction and blading. A 15" culvert was used, as there was not enough cover for an 18" culvert.

- Douglas Road: The rip rap is complete, blacktopping is still to be done.

- Town Hall Site Driveway: The topsoil is rolled off and a 30' culvert was put in. Steve Olean will remove the popple. Pit run will be used for this fall, to bring the driveway up level with the top soil so it doesn't hold moisture. Willie suggested that fabric should be put down before the pit run; the board agreed, and said it should be done asap - 6" of pit run now and 6" of class 5 next year. Steve Olean will do that part of the project. **MOTION to put down fabric and 6" of pit run on the majority of the driveway, and 6" – 8" of pit run in the back storage area with no fabric, was made by Willie and seconded by Felde-Finke; all voted yes, the motion passed.**

- Grunig Circle: A washout occurred due to heavy rain; it has been taken care of.

- Circle Drive: A washout was starting, crushed rock was put in.

- Overlie Road: The big logs left from clearing that was done will be taken care of before winter.

- Nendick Road: Olean explained the Twin Lakes Township Board Meeting Minutes October 18, 2017 Page 2 of 3
- Town Road 544: Olean will check on brushing progress.

CORRESPONDENCE

- WLSSD, Flows and Loadings for September 2017, BODs and SS were both below budgeted amounts.
- Carlton County Zoning, Notice of Public Hearing, Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building, regarding changes to Zoning Ordinance #27 (signs), and Zoning Ordinance #32 (renewable energy).
- Carlton County Historical Society, newsletter.
- PIPA, information on pipeline safety.

MEETINGS

- CCATO Meeting, Tuesday, October 24, 7:00 p.m., Carlton County Transportation Building.
- Joint Powers Board Meeting, Wednesday, October 25, 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 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Chapin, Clerk

Diane Felde-Finke, Board Chair