# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CHISAGO LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD TUESDAY, December 15th, 2020

The regular monthly meeting for December 15th, 2020 was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor, Wayne Houle. All Board members were present in person or by Zoom. Pledge of Allegiance was said by group.

Supervisor, Houle asked the Board for an approval of the minutes from the November 17th, 2020, regular monthly meeting. A motion was made by Reed, seconded by Houle, to approve the minutes as presented and wave the reading of the November 17th, 2020 minutes. Motion carried.

# **Additions to Agenda and Approval of Agenda**

Supervisor, Houle asked if there were any changes or additions to the Agenda. Chair Stirling, requested that Jodi Budde from the Chisago County Public Health be added to the Agenda under New Business. A motion was made by Reed, seconded by Houle, to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion carried.

# **Variances, Plats and Conditional Use Permits**

- ❖ Jon Edstrom, attended the meeting by zoom, requesting a variance to split off and transfer only the strip South of Furuby Road owned by Alan & Susan Abrahamson (Parcel #02.00554.00) and combine that strip with adjacent parcel owned by Jon and Linda Edstrom (Parcel #02.00554.10) as new combined tax parcel. That strip which is not used by, and has no benefit to, the main parcel owned by Abrahamsons north of Furuby Road is used by Edstroms. The strip is a result of a GAP left when parcels were split off from the original homestead. Parcels were created with legal descriptions based on footage from the West and from the East leaving the orphaned GAP remaining to the original parcel North of Furuby road. After review, a motion was made by Reed, seconded by Houle to approve the variance to split off and transfer parcel 02.00554.00 and combine with parcel 02.00554.10. Motion carried.
- ❖ Milo Horak, on behalf of John & Karen Schulte (property owners), came before the Board seeking approval of a preliminary plat to replat two parcels into one 48 acre tract on Morgan Ave. (PID's 02.00317.01 & 02.00317.02). After review, a motion was made by Stirling, seconded by Reed, to approve the preliminary plat request to replat two parcels into one 48 tract on Morgan Ave. Motion carried.
- Glenn Carlson (property owner), Kelly Jordan (Widseth) provided Mylars to be approved and signed for the plat of four lots, west side of Oasis Road between 355<sup>th</sup> and 360<sup>th</sup> street. After review, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Reed, to approve and sign the Mylars for the plat of four lots, west side of Oasis Road between 355<sup>th</sup> and 360<sup>th</sup> street. Motion carried.

## **Old Business**

❖ Clerk Peterson reported that she spoke with Bob Schmidt from Lakes Telecom with an update on the Audio/Video System. He informed her that the 86' display has been shipped and once Bob receives the display he will set a date for installation.

The Board determined, (as a result of an on-site inspection that all roads within the Plats of Saddle Shores 1 and 2, to include: Maxwell Rd from Morgan Ave east to its terminus, 263<sup>rd</sup> Ln from Maxwell Rd to Newton Ave., Newton Ave. from Maxwell Rd north to its terminus), to adopt a resolution to erect regulatory speed signs in Rural Residential District. After review, a motion was made Reed, seconded by Stirling to adopt the Resolution to erect Regulatory Speed Signs in Rural Residential District. Motion carried.

## **New Business**

- Engineer, Dan Boyum came before the Board to explain the LRIP (Local Road Improvement Program). The Township is interested in applying for this grant to upgrade 250<sup>th</sup> Street in the southern part of the township. After discussion, a motion was made by Reed, seconded by Stirling to move forward, and hire Dan Boyum at Stantec to put together an application to submit to the county to apply for the grant funding to upgrade 250<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion carried.
- ❖ The Board received an application from Xcel Energy for permission to replace Underground cable with-in ROW: An underground service replacement from Private property at 24751 Morgan Ave. to ROW on east side of Morgan Ave. After review, a motion was made by Reed, seconded by Stirling, to approve the Xcel application. Motion approved.
- ❖ The Board was asked to approve the following election judges for the Township election, March 9, 2021: Judy Nelson, Terrie Johnson, Jeanette Peterson, and Jim Stafki. After review, a motion was made by Reed, seconded by Stirling to approve the list of judges. Motion carried.
- Next the Board was asked to approve Resolution #20-12-15 appointing the 2021 Absentee Ballot Board for the March 9, 2021, Township Election. A motion was made by Reed, seconded by Stirling to approve Resolution #20-12-15 appointing the 2021 Absentee Ballot Board for the March 9, 2021, Township Election. Motion carried.
- ❖ Chair Stirling presented a proposal to the Board giving a 3% salary increase to the maintenance crew along with the Janitor. After review, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Reed to approve the proposed salary increases effective January 1, 2021, to the maintenance crew, with the exception, of the Janitor. Motion carried.

Matt Wikelius	from	\$28.22/hr	to	\$29.07/hr
Dale Anderson	from	\$24.72/hr	to	\$25.46/hr
Kent Reed	from	\$23.88/hr	to	\$24.60/hr – Monday thru Friday
Kent Reed	from	\$35.87/hr	to	\$36.95/hr – weekend/holidays
Marv Hultquist	will remain at			\$600/mo

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❖ Jodi Budde, from the Chisago County Public Health, joined by Zoom informing the Board that the Chisago County Public Health is interested in acquiring access to our building for conducting a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic. After review, a motion was made by Stirling, seconded by Houle, that we would be willing to work with the County to setup a Vaccination Clinic within our facility. Motion carried.

## **Road Report** – Matt Wikelius

- ❖ Matt Wikelius joined by Zoom and informed the Board that:
  - Things have been quite due to the mild weather, and he has been in quarantine for the last 14 days, so Dale Anderson has been taking care of any issues that arise.
  - Matt requested Clerk Peterson send a letter to a resident on Kirby Ave. informing them that the obstruction in ROW needs to be removed.

#### **Information for Officials**

- Clerk Peterson informed the Board of the following:
  - ➤ We received 39 building permit applications for the month of October & November
  - ➤ There are no CCATO meetings scheduled at this time
  - Clerk Peterson included in their packet information on the City of Lindstrom Extraterritorial SubDivision Ordinance

## **Financial Report**

❖ Treasurer Straub gave the Treasurer report by Zoom. After the Treasurer's report was presented a motion was made by Reed, seconded by Stirling, to approve the Financial Report with a balance of \$814,300.85 and pay the bills − Claim numbers 1948 − 1968 in the amount of \$15,869.04. Motion carried.

## Adjournment

Supervisor Houle asked if anyone had any other business.

There being no further business a motion was made by Reed, seconded by Houle, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. Motion carried.

Sherry Stirling, Chair Chisago Lake Township Jeanette Peterson, Clerk Chisago Lake Township