

Wabedo Township Board of Supervisors

May 10, 2011

Present: Chair Ron Stokesbary, Supervisors Bob Adelman, Treasurer Carole Houghton and Clerk Barbara Anderson

Guests: The sign in sheet is attached to the original minutes of this meeting.

Call to order – Stokesbary called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda - There was no additions or changes to the written agenda. MOTION: Approve the agenda as written.

Appoint a new supervisor - Due to the death of Supervisor Schmidt there is a vacancy on the board. MOTION: Adelman/Stokesbary/passed: Appoint Bill Gehrman to fill out the term of Supervisor Schmidt. The term ends the first Monday in January 2013. This position will be on the ballot in the elections November 2012. Gehrman accepted the position and was sworn in. MOTION: Stokesbary/passed: Appoint Gehrman as the Road & Bridge Supervisor. Gehrman joined the board.

Treasurer's report – Houghton read the Cash Control Statement for the month of April. MOTION: Adelman/unanimously passed: Accept the treasurer's report for the month of April 2011 with ending balance in all funds of \$189,642.32 and investments of \$23,718.40.

Residents Concerns – Zaske suggested that the town hall display a US flag. It doesn't have to be lighted and when possible the flag should be higher than the building. The board will look into this with Zaske's help.

Road & Bridge

Supervisor Stokesbary:

- Authorized Waldera to remove downed trees on Sioux Camp & Little Boy roads.
- Called Lott Excavation about a wash out on Little Boy road and potholes on Stoney Creek road.
- Called Felton Brothers regarding an issue on Sioux Camp Road.
- Discussed Osmundson mail box with Felton. He will do the work late this summer.
- Drainage issue at the corner of North Bay Road & North Bay Trail. Discussed this with Felton. Needs a work order for 200 yards gravel.
- Waiting for quote from Lott for clearing trees on a portion of Norway Lane and a portion of South Little Boy Drive. Also waiting quote for repair of ditch (3 places) on Stoney Creek from logging activity.
- Cooper Lake Road. The township needs to follow up and get the legal description of this road from the county.
- Turnaround at the end of Norway Lane. Should we contact the property owner to get a legal description of the turnaround area? The clerk will review the file on this project.
- Old CSAH 47 should be town line road with Blind Lake Township. Road services only four properties. Should we pursue an agreement with Blind Lake?
- North Rice Lake Road – We need an agreement with Trelipe for road work.
- Hunter Lake Trail – blacktop area on the turnaround. Owner takes care of the plowing, however, should we have a formalized agreement? The board decided to contact the township attorney.
- Employee time sheets and mileage reimbursement sheets for Waldera. Stokesbary is working on a new form.
- Do we need additional warning cones/signs for Waldera and/or Gehrman to place at road areas that are a hazard until they can be fixed? Waldera will bring prices to the next meeting.

Stokesbary reported he received a quote for Little Boy Road culvert – 18" x 30' for the price of \$1,075.70. MOTION: Adelman/passed: Approve the expenses for the culvert on Little Boy Road not to exceed \$1,075.70 as per quote.

Wabedo Frontage Road – The clerk was asked to send a letter to the owners of the Pinedale Resort regarding the large rocks near the road.

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Stokesbary reported that he will follow through on the sign work that needs to be done.

Recording Roads Rights of Way - Stokesbary stated that the board has the information from Ponto Lake Township on the process they used for recording the roads rights of way. He will contact Jim Ballenthin, the chair of Ponto Lake Township, for further understanding. Stokesbary also called Bruce Skipton of Arro Surveying. Arro is working with Woodrow Township on this same issue. Woodrow is choosing to do a few roads each year. The costs for survey have been between \$3,500 - \$7,000 per road. The board decided to ask the Board members of Woodrow to meet with the Wabedo Township board to discuss this matter.

Old Business

- Administrative Policy – The board reviewed the final changes in the Administrative Policy. MOTION: Adelman/passes unanimously: Approve Resolution 2011-1 updating the Administrative Policy.
- Averbek Property – Stokesbary talked to the son-in-law of Mrs. Averbek. The son-in-law stated that the family is not interested in selling the property at this time. The board decided to look at the possibility of purchasing some county land.

New Business

- Pay the Claims - MOTION: Adelman/passes unanimously: Approve payment of electronic claims 50111, & 50311, plus claims 8770 through 8781, plus payroll. A copy of the claims list is attached to the original minutes of this meeting.
- Renewal of on-sale liquor license for Ridgewood Golf Course – MOTION: Gehrman/passes unanimously: Approve the renewal of the on-sale liquor license for Ridgewood Golf Course.

Planning Commission

- Appoint a new commissioner – Stokesbary explained that the board had interviewed two candidates for the opening on the Planning Commission. There was a vacancy created when Stokesbary accepted an appointment to the Board of Supervisors. Both candidates were well qualified. MOTION: Stokesbary/passes unanimously: Appoint Al Chacey to fill the open term on the Planning Commission.
- Chair Anderson discussed a variance on Cooper Lake. Schultz had applied for a variance to expand a noncompliance residence. The township planning commission approved the variance with conditions and sent their findings of fact to the county. The County tabled the issue for one month.
- Chair Anderson explained the report from the county regarding splitting four lots or less. There is some question about the Shaw property on Little Boy Lake. The chair and secretary of the planning commission will be meeting with Cass County regarding this issue.
- Chair Anderson discussed state statutes Chapter 19. The state is trying to have the wording for variances the same for townships and cities. There is some new terminology that the planning commissioners need to study.

Correspondence - The Board reviewed the correspondence listed on the agenda.

Adjournment – MOTION: Adelman/passes: Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Approved

Barbara Anderson, Clerk

Ron Stokesbary, Chair

