

Wabedo Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting
August 9, 2011

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

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

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

Pledge of allegiance - The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve agenda – Addition to the agenda – Under Road & Bridge Bill Boards. MOTION: Gehrman/passed: Approved the amended agenda.

Approve the minutes – There is a correction on the July 12th minutes – under old business the amount approved for the flag pole, flag and installation was \$1,100. MOTION: Gehrman/passed: Approve the minutes of the July 12th meeting as corrected. MOTION: Adelman/passed: Approve the minutes of the July 5th special meeting as written.

Treasurer's report – Houghton read the Cash Control Statement for the month of July 2011. MOTION: Adelman/passed: Accept the treasurer's report with a balance of \$241,467.27 in all funds and \$23,840.96 total investments.

Residents Concerns – none

ROAD & BRIDGE

- Public Hearing on Iowa Point Trail in Iowa Point Plat – Stokesbary reported that there were no concerns raised by any of the neighboring property owners at the public hearing on August 9th. He stated that the petition was granted and Iowa Point Trail in Iowa Point Plat was vacated. MOTION: Adelman/passed: Approve the minutes of the public hearing on August 9, 2011.
- Supervisor's report – Gehrman handed out a report showing Wabedo Township Roads 2011. The report includes road name, type of work, by whom, cost and amount of gravel used. This report will be very helpful next year for planning for calcium chloride. A copy is attached to the original minutes of meeting.
- North Bay Drive Turn-around – The Board discussed the problem of the large boulders that were pushed down the hill at the end of North Bay Drive into the DNR property. Anderson reported that the DNR wants a report on the plan to repair, pictures during the work and pictures when the work is completed. She stated that the DNR and the neighborhood people put a lot of time, money and effort into this project. Gehrman reported that Felton pushed the boulders over; according to Felton he had Ralph Schmidt's permission. Gehrman has searched all of Schmidt's files and cannot find any information giving permission for the boulders to be moved. After a long discussion Gehrman will contact Felton about paying for the repairs needed where the boulders had been and the township paying for the land repair where the boulders rolled. The board asked Anderson to contact the DNR and get permission to

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North Bay Drive Turn-Around continued:

leave the boulders where they are and get permission to place new boulders at the top of the hill. The board decided this work needs to be done within three weeks.

- Turn around areas on other roads – The board discussed the turn-around areas for:
 - ◆ Norway Lane NE – The turn-around area is not located in the legal turn-around area. However, the property owner prefers the township turn around by their garage.
 - ◆ Hunter Lake Trail – The turn-around is on asphalt. The land owner paid to have the asphalt installed. It has been the agreement with the land owner that the township road contractor lift the blade and turn around and then put the blade down.

The board asked the clerk to work with the township's attorney and draw up a legal agreement with both property owners.

The turn-around area on Cooper Lake Road NE needs some work. The clerk was asked to write a letter to Cass County Highway Department and ask for legal descriptions of all the roads the county turned over to the township.

- Quote for ditch repair work on Stoney Creek and clearing trees on Norway Lane - The Board had asked Lott Excavating for quotes for work on these projects. Gehrman will follow up on these.
- Mowing – Dwayne Waldera reported that he will be purchasing gas for the mower soon.
- Billboard – Adelman questioned the use of signs in the township. Stokesbary stated that commercial signage has to follow Cass County laws, with the exception of real estate signs. Adelman will check the Cass County website.

OLD BUSINESS

Letter from Cass County – The clerk reported that the township has received letters from Cass County in response to the township's letters regarding the four lots or less issue on Little Boy Lake. The Township also received a reply on harbor dredging on Woman Lake, the Island Groupd LLC.

Right Turn Lane Sign – Stokesbary explained that a property owner has placed a right turn land sign in the right-of-way of the township road and it is an illegal sign. Stokesbary stated since we have not heard from the property owner it is time for action. The board instructed Waldera to remove the sign.

Averbeck Property update – The clerk explained that all the paperwork is in the hands of Action Title.

NEW BUSINESS

Pay the claims - The board had received a copy of the claims for review prior to the meeting. MOTION: Gehrman/passed: Approve payment of electronically paid claims 80311, 80911, 82511, claims #8850 through 8863 totaling \$37,605.23, plus payroll. A list of the claims are attached to the original minutes.

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Request from Randy Bramson to vacate Koons Loop – Anderson reported that Bramson has inquired how to vacate an easement on Koons Loop. All the information necessary has been sent to him.

MATS on-site inspection information - Stokesbary read in the MATS information that “Town boards are allowed to conduct on-site inspections without complying with the requirements of the Open Meeting law if they do not have employees or staff able to perform the inspection”. This is good to know when a road problem comes up.

PLANNING COMMISSION

- Mule Lake Estates First Addition – C. Anderson, chair of the planning commission, discussed Mule Lake Estates First Addition. This is the first development since the township adopted the Developer’s Agreement. The developer doesn’t think this is a new development and therefore does not need a Developer’s Agreement. It is the Planning Commission’s point of view that the original plat has been filed and finalized; therefore this is a new development and needs a Developer’s Agreement. C, Anderson stated that the township is working with Attorney Bob Ruppe. Ruppe is the attorney who helped the township write the original Developer’s Agreement. Gehrman reported that he looked at North Bay Circle NE and it is in good shape and will require a minimal amount of work to bring it up to township standards.
- Developer’s Agreement – The Planning Commission suggests that this document be reviewed each January at the same time all other township documents are reviewed.
- Terms of Anderson and Anderson – C. Anderson explained that the terms of Bud Anderson and Craig Anderson ending on the planning commission. Both Andersons have stated that they would like to continue to serving on the planning commission. MOTION: Stokesbary/passed: Reappoint Bud Anderson and Craig Anderson to three year terms on the township planning commission.

CORRESPONDENCE – The Board reviewed the correspondence listed on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT – MOTION: Adelman/passed: Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Approved

Barbara Anderson, Clerk

Ronald Stokesbary, Chair