

Wabedo Township
Board of Supervisors Meeting
September 13, 2011

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

Guest sign-in sheet is attached to the original minutes of this meeting.

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

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approve the Agenda – The following items were added to the agenda: Under road & bridge Norway/Hunter Trail turn arounds, Road inspections; under old business flag pole, Averbek property and signage; and under new business district meeting and Ruppe workshop. MOTION: Gehrman/passed: Approve the agenda with additions.

Approval of minutes – The following corrections were made to the minutes of the August 9, 2011 minutes: Page one under North Bay Drive last sentence should read "... Felton for one half of the ..." Page 2 first sentence – add "Wabedo Township want so..." Also on page 2 under Right Turn Lane Sign "...place a right turn lane sign ...". MOTION: Adelman/passed: Approve the minutes of August 9, 2011 as corrected.

Accept the Treasurer's report - Houghton presented the Cash Control Statement for the month of July 2011. MOTION: Adelman/passed unanimously: Accept the Cash Control Statement for the month of July 2011 with a balance in all funds of \$147,498.41 and investments of \$23,840.96.

Stokesbary asked Adelman to check with the Fire Department if the township could make two payments per year and not one. If we could pay in January and July the payments would be more in line with the real estate tax payments received from the county.

Residents concerns - None

Road & Bridge

Mule Lake Estates First Addition – C. Anderson, chair of the planning commission, reported he has received a copy of the Developer's Agreement signed by the developer and his check for \$3,500. This means all the stipulations for the board signing the Developer's Agreement have been fulfilled. The president and clerk can now sign the Developer's Agreement and then file it with Cass County as part of the Mule Lake Estates First Addition. C. Anderson read an e-mail from Action Title Company stating that Bruce Skipton of Arro Surveyors will be bringing the abstract for the land showing that the developer has clear title to the land. There was some discussion about signing the final plat because the township's lawyer has not had the opportunity to review the abstract at this time; and the road needs some work to be brought up to township standards. Skipton reminded the board that it has the power not to sign the final Mylar if everything has not been fulfilled at that time.

Work that needs to be done prior to signing the final plat: Weeds on North Bay Circle NE need to be removed, a stop sign and dead end sign needs to be placed, and all the title work needs to be done. The covenants have been updated for the First Addition. MOTION: Stokesbary/passed: The Board of Supervisors for Wabedo Township approve the final plat for Mule Lake Estate First Addition contingent upon the township attorney reviewing and approving title work on this land.

Supervisors' Report –

- Gehrman reported that the Pine Crest site needs no culvert.
- Gehrman will send a letter to the property owners with driveway information. Gehrman sent a letter to Dave Felton on 8-12-11 regarding the North Bay Drive turn around area stating that the township will be asking him to pay for ½ of the repair bill. Felton asked for the contact person at the DNR.
- Gehrman talked to Bill Herheim of Lott Excavating regarding all the rocks left at the last culvert installation. Herheim will talk to his crew about this. Herheim discussed the possibility of purchasing a roller for his grader and wanted to know if the

township would help pay for it. The board discussed this. Gehrman will ask Herheim about the cost savings to the township by using a roller.

- Gehrman talked to the owners of Pinedale Resort on Wabedo Lake regarding the boulders. The township has sent the owners a letter that the township will not be held responsible for any damages that may occur because of the boulders. The owners understand this and are leaving the boulders where they are.
- Gehrman has been trying to reach the contact person at the county regarding the sign rebate program.
- Gehrman reported that by mistake Norway Lane did not receive a chloride treatment this year. This will be corrected for next year.
- Why were all the roads that received chloride graded?
- Gehrman approved an emergency grading on Diamond Crest as per Waldera's recommendation.

The board asked the clerk to get the pricing for the signs and posts for North Bay Circle and asked Gehrman to contact Gopher One before the posts are installed.

North Bay Drive Turn Around – The work has been completed on the North Bay Drive turn around area. The clerk will notify the DNR. Waldera, Stokesbary and Gehrman did the work. All costs associated with this projected need to be identified so Felton can be billed.

Quote for clearing trees on South Little Boy Drive – The board had received a quote from Lott Excavating for clearing ½ mile of trees on South Little Boy Drive dated, 9/9/2011 for \$8,924.00.. The board discussed logging all the roads in the township or using a stump grinder. No action was taken. The Board will continue to investigate alternatives ways of clearing the trees.

Quote for reshaping the ditch on Stoney Creek – The board had received a quote from Lott Excavating for reshaping the ditch along Stoney Creek dated September 7, 2011, for \$3,043.12. MOTION: Stokesbary/passed: Approve the quote from Lott Excavating to remove of stumps, reshape ditch, remove the rocks from the ditch and to level the area off on Stoney Creek for \$3,043.12.

Quote for a culvert on Diamond Crest – The board had received a quote from Lott Excavating to install a culvert on Diamond Crest, dated September 7, 2011, for the amount of \$1,402.00. The Board discussed this project and was not sure if the culvert was the best answer to the problem. Gehrman will talk to Herheim about other possibilities to correct this problem.

Moe/Larson on Island View Road – The board has received a letter from Mr. & Mrs. Moe stating that the project to connect the two parts of Island View Road has their approval. The clerk was asked to send a letter to both Moe and Larson stating that the township does not build roads and include the road standards.

Draft letter to Buell & Chesla – Stokesbary had drafted a letter to both Buell and Chesla asking permission to put in a turn around on their properties on North Bay Drive. The board approved the letters.

LTAP class – The board reviewed the information for the LTAP class on snowplowing and salt/sand. No action was taken.

Minnesota Fall Expo – The board discussed the Expo. Adelman expressed interest in attending the first day of the Expo. MOTION: Stokesbary/passed: Approve the payment of per diem and expenses for Adelman to attend the MN Fall Expo on October 5th in Stillwater, MN.

Norway Lane & Hunter Lake Turn Arouds –

Norway Lane – Stokesbary talked to Johnson on Norway Lane, he is no longer interested in the turn around on his property. The township will need a survey on this area. Stokesbary will contact Arro Surveyors.

Hunter Lake- The Lemke property on Hunter Lake Trail has been sold and there is no agreement with the new owners. This will need more follow up. The clerk will check into this

Cooper Lake – The Township is still waiting for information from the county.

Fall road inspection – Stokesbary recommended that the board do a fall road inspection without the contractors. Waldera was asked to come along when checking the roads. The road inspection date was set for Tuesday, September 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Old Business

- Flag Pole - Adelman reported that the flag pole has been delivered. A light, a flag and help installing everything is still needed. Adelman will order the flag and light and purchase the concrete needed for installation. Adelman will coordinate this project.
- Averbeck Property – The clerk reported that all the papers have been signed and the purchase is complete. The land now belongs to the township.

New Business

- Pay the claims – The board received a copy of the claims prior to the meeting for review. MOTION: Adelman/passed unanimously: Approve payment of the electronic claims 91311, 92511, 93201 and claims #8876 though #8892 totaling \$5,681.92; plus August payroll.
- Ruppe workshop – Couri & Ruppe, PLLP is holding a Township Legal Seminar in Walker. MOTION: Adelman/passed: Approve payment of all expenses for the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commissioners to attend the Couri & Ruppe Township Legal Seminar on October 8, 2011, in Walker.

Planning Commission – Chair C. Anderson reported:

- Larson Variance- Larson on Woman Lake has asked for a variance to build a 14' wide deck and to build a retaining wall more than 4' high without an engineered plan. The Township planning commission approved the retaining wall because it will match an existing retaining wall. The township planning commission denied the deck because it is too close to the lake. The County tabled this variance for one month. There will be another site visit in October.
- Resignation of Bud Anderson - C. Anderson explained that Bud Anderson has sold his home on Wabedo Lake and is moving out of the area. B. Anderson has been on the planning commission for several years and he has been appreciated for his commitment to the township. C. Anderson recommended the board contact Tom Lund; he applied for the last opening on the planning commission, to see if he is still interested. The clerk stated that when the last person was appointed to the planning commission a few months ago, Lund was interviewed for the position and was well qualified. MOTION: Adelman/passed: The chair to contact Tom Lund to see if he is still interested in serving on the township planning commission, and if so, offer him the position. Lund will finish Bud Anderson's term.

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

Adjournment – MOTION: Adelman/passed: Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Approved

Barbara Anderson, Clerk

Ronald Stokesbary, Chair