

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MEETING
May 23, 2018– 7:30pm
MINUTES

Present: Chairman: Peggy Clayton

Supervisors: Jim Kelley, Dennis Kortekaas, Mike Schack, and Ken Haubrich

Treasurer: Becky Adams; Deputy Clerk: Kati Pierce

Absent: Clerk: Cari Alleman

1. **Pledge to the flag-** reading of our mission statement

2. **Additions and Corrections-**

3. **Approve the minutes-**

❖ P&D Meeting 4/28/18- KP Motion to approve made by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.

❖ Work Session 5/22/18- PC Motion to approve made by Supervisor Haubrich, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All.

4. **Business from the Floor-** Please come up to the podium and state your name and address for the record

❖ Constituent request for temporary parking at Wendigo Park. Darlene Vobejda is having some issues being able to move into her home, the truck is unable to get into her location and she would like to use the park June 14th to park the truck to unload her belongings. Motion to allow her the use of the park made by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All.

❖ Jeff Davies received a call from Pokegama Lake Association and is here to ask for contributions for the fireworks this summer on the lake, June 30th. In years to come the hope would be to return them to the night of July 4th if funding for future years can be secured. They will be firing them off at the 18th hole of Pokegama Golf Course. Board discussion is that they would like to have a letter from the Township attorney that says that we are clear to participate and then they would not oppose participating. Motion made to contact Mr. Shaw for approval, if approved we will donate \$3,750.00 = 25% of the cost by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.

5. **Consent Agenda-**

❖ Deed for Cemetery Lot- Motion to approve made by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.

6. **Roads-**

❖ Road Inspection Report- Packets provided to follow along, read out loud on camera.

❖ Dust Control- Quote from Dust be Gone, \$3,565.7/mile = \$12,943.50 total. Motion made by Supervisor Kortekaas, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by all to accept the bid from Dust be Gone and move forward.

❖ Brushing of Stony Point Road- Board discussion on brushing this road and if we should try to do ourselves or contract it out. Motion to approve Derrick to complete the brushing made by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All.

❖ Wood Tick Landing- Bob Beaver will be out tomorrow on site while they are paving the patch at 7am to help with traffic and the patch will be complete tomorrow.

7. **Recreation-**

❖ Park and Cemetery Inspection Reports for April, 2018- Motion to approve made by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.

❖ Trails Task Force- The Mississippi River clean up went well.

- ❖ Firewise Update- Budget cuts to the DNR, they will continue to do education to let people know what they can do to take care of their own yards to help out. June 6th there will be kick off meeting to know more about the impact of the budget cuts.

8. Correspondence-

- ❖ Grand Rapids Area Cable Commission, 12/6/2017
- ❖ Letter from Couri & Ruppe- We will not be sending anyone this year.
- ❖ City of Grand Rapids, 4th of July Firework donation- Discussion above.
- ❖ Letter from Pat Medure/Candidate for District 5B- Candidates are welcome to come speak from the floor for 5 minutes.
- ❖ Septic Secrets- June 28th

9. Town Hall Report-

- ❖ Review town hall report as prepared by town hall caretaker, dated 4/7/2018-5/4/2018- Motion to approve made by Supervisor Haubrich, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All. Motion to approve the flower budget made by Supervisor Haubrich, Seconded by Supervisor Kelley, Passed by All.

10. Maintenance Report-

- ❖ Review maintenance report as prepared for April, 2018. Motion to approve made by Supervisor Kortekaas, Seconded by Supervisor Kelley, Passed by All.

11. Old Business-

- ❖ Busy Bees/Township floor tiling- Quote from Floor to Ceiling and from Dorholt to replace the floor. Samples are provided on the table and quotes are in the packets. The Board had discussion on the method, potential of subfloor issues, quality and the quotes. Motion made by Supervisor Kelley to table until October when we have a better idea of costs toward the end of the year, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All.
- ❖ Town Law Conference Update- Chairman attended the conference in April, the session covered many topics and was very informational.
- ❖ Express Employment Contract- Motion to sign the contract with Express by Supervisor Kelley, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, and Passed by All.
- ❖ Township Land Sale/ Work Session Update- Minutes added to packet, preliminary conversations have just started. Motion made by Supervisor Kelley to send Mr. Shaw a letter asking what our legal options and processes are on moving forward, also to please confirm the need for a public hearing, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.
- ❖ Tree work quote- Quote from Plackner Tree Care Inc. and RBS- The Board had discussion on the bids. Motion made by Supervisor Kelley to stay with Plackner, Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All. Motion made to move \$321.12 to pay for the blades made by Supervisor Kortekaas, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.
- ❖ Media Com- July is the new projected date, things will still be completed on time.

12. New Business-

- ❖ Cemetery- The Board had discussion on the mixing of ashes, it is fine and they do not see a problem with it.
- ❖ Schedule Work Session/ 2018 Road Projects- The Board had discussion on how to work out the repairs and what we need to do to take care of the problems with so many of the roads. More information will be gathered and brought forward at a later time.
- ❖ Microphones- At one point the Clerk and Treasurer each had a microphone for the meetings, we will be more alert and try to speak into the microphone.
- ❖ Backboards for Tennis Courts- The Board had discussion on options for the back of the courts as real backboards are very expensive. Chairman found another option as an alternate, she will get some further information and we will go from there.

- ❖ Picnic Park- The Board had discussion on the needs of a portable john and thinks the use of the park may increase if there was a portable john there. The park is located where the old school use to be. Chairman will post some pictures and information on Facebook about it to help make people aware and increase use.
- ❖ Coffee with Commissioners- Chairman will try to get a schedule and see if we can set a date to do this.
- ❖ Property issues to find out what our options are- Supervisor Haubrich made a motion to contact Mr. Shaw to see what our options are. Seconded by Supervisor Schack, Passed by All.
- ❖ Second cell phone for the maintenance crew- Motion by Supervisor Kelley to cancel the phone, Seconded by Supervisor Haubrich, Passed by All.

13. Public Input- Please come up to the podium and state your name and address for the record

Dan Butterflied gave information on the latest impact of the Enbridge Project and encourages everyone to pay attention to this issue and stay informed.

14. Upcoming meetings/events-

- (M) May 28 Coffee and Cookies.....8:00 am Harris Township Cemetery
- (M) May 28 Memorial Day Service.....10:15 am Harris Township Cemetery
- (M) June 11 Itasca County Township Association.....7:00 pm Blandin Foundation
- (W) June 13 Regular Meeting.....7:30pm Harris Town Hall
- (W) June 27 Planning and Development Meeting.....7:30 pm Harris Town Hall

15. Motion to Adjourn made by Supervisor Haubrich, Seconded by Supervisor Kelley, Passed by All.