

Bridgewater Township Board of Supervisors
County of Rice, State of Minnesota
April 12, 2017
Official Minutes

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: John Holden, Gary Ebling, Kathleen Doran-Norton, Brad Pfahning, Jim Braun, Frances Boehning

Introduction of Guests: Dennis Brown

Approval of Agenda: Gary Ebling made a motion to approve the agenda, John Holden seconded, all approved.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Reorganization of Bridgewater Township – The re-organizational meeting was held during the first 20 minutes. Minutes for this portion are separate.

Approval of Minutes & Claims

- April Claims – Gary Ebling made a motion to approve the April Claims, John Holden seconded, all approved.
- March 8, March 13, March 14, March 27, April 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes
 - Sign Minutes – Gary Ebling made a motion to approve all minutes listed, John Holden seconded, all approved.

Treasurer's Report

1. Treasurer's Report –
 - Brad Pfahning reviewed the current bank balances.
 - Reviewed PERA – A letter was received from PERA noting that Jim Braun and Frances Boehning were missing from the reports. Brad Pfahning will review PERA, make corrections, and respond to the Board next week.

Clerk's Report-

1. Mail
 - a. Reviewed the request from Scott Bailey and Earl Andersen Company for a tax exempt form. The clerk will follow up with M.A.T. to determine what information needs to be given.
 - b. A letter was received from the IRS regarding a late form, Brad Pfahning will follow up on this with a response to the Board next week.

Planning & Zoning

1. Staff Report
 - Jim Braun reviewed this month's permits.
 - Jim Braun is conducting a review of properties that need to be cleaned up.
2. Request to purchase additional chairs from Planning Commissioners – current chairs were purchased through General Office Supply. Gary Ebling will check to see if additional chairs are available for sale.

New Business

1. None

Old Business

1. Flood Mitigation Projects
 - a. Gary Ebling reviewed recent invoices and payments to Barnett Bros. The most current flood mitigation numbers were reviewed, it was noted that there is only \$50,000 remaining of the original grant money.
 - b. Remaining work to be done on the Central Pond was reviewed. The work includes; seeding, completion of As-Builts from Adam Parker, and a plan for future maintenance of both the Dundas and Central Ponds.
 - c. A meeting with MnDot will be held on Friday, April 13, to obtain approval to complete a clean out of the ditch on the east side of Hwy 246 on Koester's property. Work will also be done to clean the water way

through Gary Rock's field on the south and north side of County Road 1. These expenses will be covered under the DNR Grant as they are part of the flood mitigation project.

- d. Gary Ebling reviewed the potential changes to the Berm and Stabilizer on the Edgebrook project. These changes would be made by the state to complete certification of the project. Gary Ebling will contact Janalee Cooper regarding this.

2. Roadside vegetative management –

- a. Mailing – John Holden will work with the clerk regarding wording for this mailing.
- b. “No Mow” sign and agreement – The “No Spraying, No Mowing” signs will need to be placed on both ends of the section. Kathleen Doran-Norton will look into ordering these signs. Northfield Township also expressed interest in ordering some of these signs. A meeting with residents will take place regarding obtaining these signs and what residents responsibilities are.

3. CSAH 1 – the township has not received any new information.

4. Roads

- a. Reschedule Road Meeting – A meeting will be held on Monday, April 17.
- b. Gary Ebling reviewed recent conversations with Kielmeyers regarding gravel.
- c. A discussion was held regarding the Reese Cartway. Some trees have been removed from half of the cartway. Estimates will be obtained for cleaning up the remaining cartway.

The Public Meeting was closed at 8:20pm for a Closed Meeting

Closed Meeting – A closed meeting was held to discuss legal matters as they relate to the Conditional Use Permit for Keith Johnson.

Gary Ebling made a motion to adjourn the closed meeting at 9:25pm, Kathleen Doran seconded, all approved

Upcoming Meetings

- Board of Supervisors meeting, May 10, 2017, 7pm Bridgewater Town Hall
- Flood Mitigation Meetings, Mondays at 1:00pm, Bridgewater Town Hall
- Planning and Zoning meeting, April 27, 2017, 7pm Bridgewater Town Hall
- Joint meeting with Planning and Zoning, May 25th, 2017, 7pm Bridgewater Town Hall
- Intergovernmental Meeting, April 19, 2017, 7pm, Waterford Town Hall

Adjourn – Gary Ebling made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:27pm, Kathleen Doran seconded all approved.