

Bridgewater Township Board of Supervisors
County of Rice, State of Minnesota
February 11, 2015
Official Minutes

Call to order – 7pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: John Holden, Kathleen Doran-Norton, Gary Ebling, Jim Braun

Introduction of Guests: Dennis Luebbe, Rice County Highway Engineer was not able attend, will reschedule for a later date.

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

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: Stephanie Henrickson spoke regarding a recent State Capitol meeting regarding the MPCA and environmental reviews.

Approval of Minutes & Claims

- February Claims – approval moved to later date as Treasurer was not present
- January 14, 2015 Meeting Minutes - Gary Ebling made a motion to approve, John Holden seconded, all approved.
- January 20, 2015 Meeting Minutes - John Holden made a motion to approve, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved
- February 7, 2015 Meeting Minutes – John Holden made a motion to approve, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved

Treasurer's Report – moved to late date as Treasurer was not in attendance

- Audit meeting follow up
- Assessments

Clerk's Report-

- Election Judges – John Holden made a motion to approve the list of Election Judges for the March Election, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved.
- Newspaper Post – Clerk will post the upcoming election information in the Northfield News to run two times.
- Resolution 2014-13 signature – Resolution from last fall was signed and placed in book.

Planning & Zoning

- *Ordinance 2015-01 Fee Schedule* – Jim Braun reviewed the changes to the current fee schedule. The new fees are in line with Rice County. Gary Ebling made a motion to approve *Ordinance 2015-01*, John Holden seconded, all approved.
- Septic discussion – will take place during the next meeting
- Lot Combination for Jason Heinle – Jim Braun reviewed the current issues and resolution. A Lot Combination has been approved by Jim Braun and has been signed.
- Conditions for approval of Rice County TEPP – Jim Braun reviewed the conditions and issues with this TEPP. The Planning and Zoning Commission has approved the county to crush the bituminous pile during the month of February as ordered by the MPCA. Further action by the county will require a TEPP. Jim Braun is working on the requirements that will need to be met prior to the TEPP approval.
- Jim Braun reviewed the cartways currently on the maps at the Historical Society. Next steps will be to return the right of ways that are not needed by the township to the current land owners.

New Business

- CSAH 1 update from meeting –
 - Kathleen Doran-Norton met with Chad Pryble and John McCarthy regarding Rice County Road 1. They discussed the current road, needs, and drafted a survey for residents in the surrounding area.
 - A meeting will be scheduled with Northfield regarding their needs for County Road 1.

- Statement of support for intercity passenger rail. –
 - Kathleen Doran-Norton reviewed the projects history and current status
 - Kathleen Doran-Norton will review the letter of support and draft a version for approval at the upcoming Budget Meeting.

- UP Rail Siding –
 - Reviewed the maps and current crossings.
 - Gary Ebling will talk to Carolyn Braun regarding what and how the railroad will pay for an overpass
 - Kathleen Doran-Norton will talk to Union Pacific regarding when the next meeting will take place
 - Gary Ebling would like to hold a local meeting prior to meeting with Union Pacific to review what our needs are and the needs of local Fire, Ambulance, and Sheriff. Kathleen Doran-Norton will set this meeting.

Old Business

- DNR Flood Mitigation, FEMA, SWCD, Edgebrook projects
 - Fox Avenue – Gary Ebling reviewed the current status. The DNR application has been submitted. Gary Ebling has spoken with Steve Pahs regarding creating a waterway over Gary Rock's land.
 - Edgebrook – Gary Ebling reviewed current projects and where land owners are regarding approval for moving water.
 - Bids will need to be obtained for the construction of the Edgebrook project.
 - Bridgewater Township will need to establish easements and available funds from the affected residents of Edgebrook.

- Roads – discussed roads and current equipment – a request was made to have \$225,000 built up in the bank equipment fund.

Upcoming Meetings

- Budget Meeting, Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 7pm, Bridgewater Town Hall
- Planning and Zoning meeting Wednesday, February 25, 2015, 7:30pm Bridgewater Town Hall. – A presentation by Steele-Waseca will be made at 6:30pm until the start of the Planning and Zoning meeting.
- Board of Supervisors Meeting, Wednesday, March 4, 2015, 7:15pm Bridgewater Township Hall
- Annual Meeting, March 10, 2015, 8:15pm, Bridgewater Town Hall
- Planning and Zoning meeting, March 25, 2015, 7pm Bridgewater Town Hall

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