

Bridgewater Township Board of Supervisors
County of Rice, State of Minnesota
May 13, 2015
Official Minutes

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Introduction of Guests: None

Approval of Agenda: John Holden made a motion to approved, Kathleen Doran-Norton seconded, all approved.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: - a comment was made regarding a blighted property – Jim Braun will have Peter Tiede send a letter requesting the owner clean up the property.

Approval of Minutes & Claims

- May Claims – Brad Pfahning will provide a breakdown of WSB/DNR costs for a future meeting. Kathleen Doran-Norton made a motion to approve, John Holden seconded, all approved.
- April 8 ReOrg, April 8 B.O.S, April 22, and May 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes – Kathleen Doran-Norton made a motion to approve all minutes, John Holden seconded, all approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Invoice to Dundas for annexation payment – Brad Pfahning will have this completed by May 17. Kathleen Doran-Norton proposed that we add a finance charge if the invoice is not paid. A resolution will be brought to the May 18 Flood meeting to approve. John Holden made a motion to institute a late fee/finance charge on late invoices, Kathleen Doran-Norton seconded, all approved.
- DNR Grants – expenses, claims sent to DNR – Brad Pfahning will bring this to the next meeting. A request to move funds from saving to checking will be brought to the next meeting after the treasurer confirms the amount.

Clerk's Report-

- Saint Paul Port Authority - the signed forms have been returned and will be filed.
- M.A.T. Insurance – Property and vehicle insurance is due and will be paid, Gary Ebling will review the insurance amounts to confirm they are correct.

Planning & Zoning

- Front set backs for rural residential – approval was given to bring this to the Planning and Zoning commission. The goal is to increase the set back in certain instances.
- Office Fax number – due to numerous septic companies sending forms via fax, the clerk and Kathleen Doran-Norton will look into getting a fax number for the township.
- Accessory structures on small parcels – approval was given to bring this to the Planning and Zoning commission.

New Business

- Resolution for Greencorps volunteer. – Resolution 2015-07 - John Holden made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-07 for Bridgewater Township requesting a Greencorps volunteer, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved.

Old Business

- DNR Grant/Flood issues/updates – via hand out – Gary Ebling reviewed the project status and reviewed what the next steps are. Included in the review was:
 - Design and engineering
 - Potential soil receiving area update
 - Funding status
 - Potential contractor update
 - Dundas pond landowner sales agreement

- Edgebrook status/tree removal bid – waiting on a bid from Cannon River Tree Care
- Future Engineering projects (Heath / Rice Creek Watershed studies) update – This will be discussed with Glen Castore during the May 18 meeting.
- Road Discussion
 - County Road 1 – the last input meeting was held last week. A public meeting will be held June 18, 2015, 5:30-7:30pm at the Northfield Senior Center Room 104-105. This will be a public meeting to review the problem statement.
 - Status of the 2014 FEMA work and billing – Reviewed a booklet from FEMA detailing billing.
 - 2015 Gravel progress – Cabot and our portion of 115th has been completed. Decker Ave. is next on the agenda with a goal to be done by June 1.
 - Tree Trimming cost review
 - Ditch Cleaning: FEMA vs. planned projects status/cost – in progress – the Supervisors wish to review this during the next meeting.
- Fire Service update – update presented on recent meetings.

Upcoming Meetings

- Board of Supervisors meeting, June 10, 2015, 7pm Bridgewater Town Hall
- Flood Mitigation Meetings, Mondays at 1:00pm, Bridgewater Town Hall
- Planning and Zoning meeting, TBD, 2015, 7pm Bridgewater Town Hall

Adjourn 9:05pm – John Holden made a motion to adjourn, Kathleen Doran-Norton seconded, all approved.