

**Bridgewater Township Flood Mitigation Meeting**  
**County of Rice, State of Minnesota**  
**May 22, 2017**  
**Official Minutes**

Call to order – 1:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: John Holden, Kathleen Doran Norton, Gary Ebling, Frances Boehning

**Flood Mitigation Funding**

- Kathleen Doran Norton made a motion to expend \$3,485.48 over the DNR grant, John Holden seconded, all approved.
- Kathleen Doran Norton made a motion to approve \$53,700 for the final Barnett Bros. Invoice, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved.
- The City of Northfield has not responded to the latest flood mitigation report that was sent by Kathleen Doran-Norton. It was noted that the City of Northfield is working on flood mitigation as it relates to strategic planning.
- Gary Ebling asked if anyone had heard if they are engineering County Road 1 to keep the water on the south side. Gary Ebling will try to talk to Dennis Luebbe regarding this.
- Gary Ebling reviewed the error made by Johnson Scoville in surveying the Central Pond. The error resulted in an additional cost of \$4,125. Gary Ebling and Glen Castore will meet with Johnson Scoville to discuss this error.
- A sign needs to be created and placed next to the Dundas and Central Ponds per the grant from the DNR. Gary Ebling is working on creating these signs.

**Misc.**

- Kathleen Doran-Norton made a motion to approve the clerk obtaining a credit card through First National Bank, Gary Ebling seconded, all approved.

**Roads**

- The township expects to complete laying gravel by June 1.
- Gary Ebling reviewed a recent conversation with Barnett Bros in which he requested that they look at a couple of roads to give their opinion on the amount of work needed to bring them into compliance.
- A discussion was held regarding possible road negotiations with Rice County. Roads discussed include; 145<sup>th</sup>, Falk, 77, 83, 84, Baseline, and Decker.
- Regarding the request from Rice County to transfer Baseline from the township to the county; the resolution should include a section regarding cancelling maintenance if the road becomes a danger to the Township grader and/or operator.

**Change in Zoning**

- A discussion was held regarding possible commercial areas in the township.
  - 130<sup>th</sup> and Dahle
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  - 130<sup>th</sup> to 140<sup>th</sup> for a Rail Road industrial area
  - 145<sup>th</sup> to the landfill for an Energy industrial area
  - Baseline south of 140<sup>th</sup> – rural industrial
  - County Road 1 and Baseline
  - Commercial/Residential area along Mill Town Trail
- The township would like an agreement from Rice County stating that the township could move forward with potential industries as the opportunity arises.
- It was noted that Galen Malecha would like to have a meeting with the Board of Supervisors regarding these potential commercial areas.

Adjourn.