

**Bridgewater Township Project Meeting**  
**County of Rice, State of Minnesota**  
**March 26, 2018**  
**Official Minutes**

Call to order – 1:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

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

- Upcoming Meeting with Dundas.
  - The following items may be included in the agenda for the April 25 meeting.
    - Annexation tax repayment process.
    - Analysis of the water management in new development areas.
    - Look into providing the resolution regarding future development from Peter Tiede.
    - 115<sup>th</sup> Street as it relates to the need for gravel and possible use during Cty Rd 1 reconstruction.
    - Request gravel money from Dundas to place rock on 115<sup>th</sup>.
    - Question to Dundas – are they going to restrict traffic on 115<sup>th</sup> per a recent resolution?.
    - Look into sending the letter from Peter Tiede regarding Dundas non-payment of annexation tax.
- Meeting with Tom Culhane
  - The Board of Supervisors interviewed Tom Culhane for the position of snow plow operator.
- Road Side Vegetation.
  - The summer intern from Carleton may not be available.
  - The Board of Supervisors expressed support for hiring Scott Bailey to spray for noxious weeds in the fall for the township.
  - John Holden is following up with possible leads on people interested in mapping the location of Wild Parsnip in the township.
  - Steve Albers and Leif Knecht are looking into sprayer options. The township is looking into using them if it works out.
  - Kathleen Doran-Norton noted that part of the grant is for identification and education regarding noxious weeds.
- Report to the State regarding Planning Fees
  - As this report has not been requested by the state in the past, we are not going to bring it now.
- Resolution on Wetlands
  - Glen Castore will draft the resolution with input from Kathleen Doran-Norton. The resolution will be reviewed during the next Board of Supervisors meeting.
- Natural System Utilities
  - Glen Castore reviewed information that he received from natural system utilities.
  - A meeting with them will be set up in the future to learn more about how they work and how it can be implemented.
  - Glen Castore will check to see if they are available for the April 30<sup>th</sup> Project Meeting.
- Street Sweeping.
  - Brad Sanford will review streets that need to be swept in the developments. He will perform any necessary sweeping for approximately \$1500.
  - John Holden questioned if it is possible to reuse what is swept up for the following winter.
- It was noted that not much tree trimming has been done in recent years.

- It was noted that compliance letters were sent to three homes by Jim Braun. He will continue to follow up to ensure compliance.
- C.U.Ps for area in flood plain.
  - The fact finding list from Jim Braun was reviewed. These facts are the basis for the Conditional Use Permit.
  - The C.U.P. is needed as soil was removed from the pond site and placed elsewhere.
  - This C.U.P will be presented during the next Planning Commission meeting.
- Strategic Plan
  - A potential layout of a new town hall was reviewed.
  - Gary Ebling will speak with Dennis Brown regarding the possibility of purchasing some land from him.
  - Glen Castore would like to create a sub-committee to explore different strategic plans.
  - A future meeting will involve looking at different sheds that could be used as a future machine shed for the township.
- Roller for behind the grader.
  - Gary Ebling reviewed the cost and timing of ordering the roller. Cost will be approximately \$33,000 and would arrive about May 1. John Holden made a motion to approve the purchase of a roller, Glen Castore seconded, all approved.
  - Gary Ebling will look into tractor prices and types of salt sheds and provide the information at a future meeting.

Adjourn at 3:15pm