
Nininger Township

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DECEMBER 17, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. December 17, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Rotty, Karen Bremer, Larry Neuman, Janet Bremer, Laura Baldwin

TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY: Mike Hamilton

PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR: John Bremer

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Corrections/clarifications of the previous meeting minutes: Janet Bremer pointed out that the minutes have been stating that the "Sheriff" was present at the meetings. It should be the Deputy Sheriff and not the Sheriff

There were no other corrections or additions to be made to the meeting minutes

Larry Neuman made a motion to accept the meeting minutes

Karen Bremer seconded

All Ayes

TREASURERS REPORT

Janet Bremer wanted to point out on the 2nd page of the Treasurer's report on the receipts register. The Township did receive the second half of the tax distribution that was nearly \$89,000. Last year was a little over \$94,000. The end balance for this year is \$175,310.00 and the balance for last year was \$198,246.00. Indicating there were more expenses for snow removal, etc.

Janet Bremer also mentioned that when Lori Stalker from the Minnesota Township Association came to the town hall for training, she discussed a situation that she is having with the CSTAT Accounting Program. Some of the figures in the program are not showing up on the disbursement register. The dollar figure on the Treasurer's report might not be correct. Lori Stalker referred Janet Bremer to the State of Minnesota. Janet Bremer is sending all the Township accounting records to the State of Minnesota to get the issue resolved. There is possibly a glitch in the program. Janet Bremer just wanted to make everyone aware that the bottom-line numbers are as accurate as they can be until the issue gets resolved

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Bob Rotty stated that the Township is supposed to be getting \$18,000 from the State of MN. In order to receive these funds, they are requesting more information regarding washed out culvert locations, etc. Bob Rotty is getting the Township Attorney, Mike Hamilton, involved due to the situation being at the State level. As it stands now, the funds will likely be received in the year 2020.

There were no other corrections or additions after reviewing the Treasurer's report

Karen Bremer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit

Larry Neuman seconded

All Ayes

NEW BUSINESS

Karen Bremer wanted to confirm which tower was referred to in the last month's Planning Commission meeting minutes. Karen Bremer just wanted confirmation that the tower being referred to is for the Furlong Property. It was confirmed by Mike Hamilton, the Township Attorney, that the minutes are correct in referring to the Furlong Property. There was a previous application for a cell tower for a different location that fell through and is no longer an issue which is why clarification was needed as to what cell tower was being referred to

Dakota County Deputy Sam Weber was present at the meeting. There are no issues to report at this time

Larry Neuman made a motion to accept the permit application for the Moes Residence

Karen Bremer seconded the motion

All Ayes

A permit for the Paul Moes Residence was available to be picked up. None of the parties showed up to get the permit. Mike Hamilton is going to call the contractor that is working on the Moes residence and let them know that the permit is in his office and they need to come by with a check and they will get their permit

Bob Rotty made a motion to accept the upgrades being done to the cell tower on the Furlong Property

Karen Bremer seconded the motion

All Ayes

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Bob Rotty spoke with Alex Conzemius from Bolton & Menk. Bolton & Menk have been hired by the Township and are going to attend the January 21, 2020 Town Board meeting. They are coming to get any information the Township would like to give to them to get the Township Ordinance Book revised as needed. At that time John Bremer, Planning Commission Chairman, will go over changes, additions and recommendations discussed at the previous Planning Commission meeting

David Wagner sent a request to the Town Board regarding a lot split that was approved back in 2007. The request needs to be resubmitted and go through the process again. Mike Hamilton, Township Attorney, is going to get in touch with David Wagner and let him know the procedures that he needs to go through in order to obtain a lot split

Matt Schaar was present at the meeting. He is inquiring on how many permits are available on their property. There is one (1) permit available for the South 40 and one (1) permit available for the 40 acres behind Pete. This is not a real number until it is outlined on a map to confirm. Matt Schaar asked the question if he bought the land on the North side of County Road 42, would the transfer of land affect the available permits. John Bremer suggested that the transactions all be done at the same time. The question was asked by Matt Schaar if his dad wanted to keep 7 acres of land would he be able to build a house on those 7 acres. John Bremer answered the question with "no". There isn't any road frontage so a house could not be built. Larry Neuman suggested getting a footprint/layout of the land to get a better idea of the lots

Larry Neuman brought up the question of the liquor license application for the Emerald Greens Golf course. It has been signed and taken care of

Larry Neuman suggested the Township website be updated to state the responsibilities of the board members. For example: Bob Rotty – Takes care of all road repairs/issues questions, Larry Neuman – Fire Department and Parks, etc. This would be helpful for people looking at the website to know who to call

Larry Neuman brought up the issue with the residential fire number signs that were moved during the County Road 42 construction. Larry Neuman had a conversation with Mike Slavik, the Dakota County Commissioner, regarding this issue. Mike Slavik told Larry Neuman it might not be until Spring of 2020 when the fire numbers get put back. Larry Neuman went to the Hastings Fire Station to express his concern about this matter. The acting Fire Chief is dealing with this issue

Township Computer – The township computer may have come across a computer virus. Laura Baldwin is going to have a computer technician check it out to see if he can remedy the situation. If not, it was approved by the Town Board that a new computer could be purchased. A new laptop for the Treasurer will also need to be purchased in the near future

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Permit Fees – John Bremer suggested adding a sur-charge fee to the permits for processing. The permit applications are currently being hand delivered so there is no confusion as to who issued the permits as there has been issues in the past. This will streamline the permit process thus the need for the additional \$50.00 Administration Fee

Larry Neuman made a motion to accept the additional \$50.00 Administration Fee added to the permit applications

Karen Bremer seconded the motion

All Ayes

Laura Baldwin brought up the fact that there should be an Agenda for the monthly Town Board meetings. This Agenda should be posted on the website and on the posting board outside of the town hall. This practice will be implemented January 2020

Bills were reviewed

Checks were signed

Karen Bremer made a motion to pay the bills

Larry Neuman seconded the motion

All Ayes

Larry Neuman made a motion to adjourn the meeting

Karen Bremer seconded the motion

All Ayes

Respectfully submitted,



Laura Baldwin
Nininger Town Clerk