

NININGER PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Jan. 6, 2025

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: John Bremer, chair; Steve Boetcher; Gary Rotty

COMMISSION MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Mary Dalaska, secretary; Ted Wagner

TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Bob Rotty, Karen Bremer

ALSO PRESENT: Mark Schoenfelder, township engineer

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chair Bremer at 8 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED

DECEMBER MEETING CLOSED: Chair Bremer called for a motion to close the Dec. 2, 2024, meeting.

Motion: Steve Boetcher made a motion to close the December meeting. Motion seconded by Gary Rotty. **Member vote:** 3 Ayes; 0 Opposed. **Motion carried.**

MINUTES REVIEWED/APPROVED: Chair Bremer called for a review of the minutes from the Dec. 2, 2024, regular meeting. One item was noted for correction: time change on next planning commission meeting should read 8 p.m. instead of 8 a.m. No other corrections were noted. **Motion:** Steve Boetcher made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction. Motion seconded by Gary Rotty. **Member vote:** 3 Ayes; 0 Opposed. **Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS:

- NEW SPRING LAKE PARK RESERVE TRAILHEAD: Jeff Kanne, architect with Miller Dunn Widdie, 100 Washington Avenue South, Suite 500, Minneapolis, MN 55401, and Yao Xiao, Dakota County project manager, 1590 Hwy. 55, Hastings, MN 55033, presented a proposed plan for a new **Spring Lake Park Reserve Fischer Avenue Trailhead**. The presentation included context, and a site and building plan. The cost of the project is \$3.5 million with a projected start of spring 2025 and completion in 2026. Chair Bremer directed them to contact township clerk, Margaret Flower, for a building permit application when they have a completed plan. The application will be forwarded to the township building inspector, Inspectron, Inc., for review.

OLD BUSINESS

- FURLONG TRAIL PROJECT UPDATE: Mark Schoenfelder, township engineer, was present to give an update on the Furlong Trail project. Borings were taken and work completed by CVT (Chosen Valley Testing, Inc.) located in Rochester, MN. The borings were taken from eight (8) different locations. The test showed that the asphalt is 1.5 inches thick with an aggregate base of two inches. **Motion:** Because of the irregularities of the original road design, Chair Bremer made a motion to recommend the Township Board direct the engineer to start plans for this project. Motion seconded by Steve Boetcher. **Member vote:** 3 Ayes; 0 opposed. **Motion carried.**

Chair Bremer made a motion to recommend the Township Board approve a 50/50 construction cost share for the project — Township will pay 50% of the costs and the 17 residents will equally

split 50% of the costs up to \$10,000 per residence — any remaining costs will be paid by the Township. Motion seconded by Gary Rotty. **Member vote:** 3 Ayes; 0 opposed. **Motion carried.**

The township engineer will present updated plans for the Furlong Trail project at the Feb. 3 meeting.

- Luhman's Construction will brush-cut the remainder of the township roads during the winter, 150th Street, Hilary Path, 140 Street, and Jacob and Idell Avenues.

NEXT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2025, at 7 p.m.

NEXT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 3, 2025 at 8 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: **Motion:** Gary Rotty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Steve Boetcher. **Member vote:** 3 ayes; 0 opposed. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Karen Bremer, Acting Planning Commission Secretary