

JUNE 13, 2023, TUESDAY, TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING, @ 6:00 PM, CROW WING TOWN HALL

Board Members Present: Chairman Doug Kern, Supervisor Paul Stephany, Supervisor Nathan Hulinsky, Treasurer Diane Stephany, and Clerk Sue Kern.

The Regular Town Board Meeting was called to order at 6 pm by Doug and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Residents were reminded to sign the roster. There were no gopher bounties. Doug asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were no changes. Paul made the motion to approve the agenda as written. Nathan seconded the motion. No Discussion. Motion passed 3-0.

New Business: Short Term Rental Ordinance: The short-term rental ordinance was provided to the Supervisors prior to the meeting. The topic has been discussed at length and this approval is just a formality. Brad stated the Planning Commission is in full support and findings of fact show it would not be in place until the 7th month of the agreement and ends December 31, 2023, at which point it could be renewed or terminated. Paul made the motion to approve the STR Ordinance as written. Doug seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0. **Selling tables in garage:** The long tables in the garage were determined to be too heavy for resident use and just taking up space. Gerry offered to purchase one. Doug made the motion that Gerry could buy a table for \$10. Nathan seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Unfinished Business: Sourcewell Community Impact Funding: Sourcewell notified the Clerk that Crow Wing Township won the lottery and formal approval will happen at their monthly meeting in June. **Sourcewell Matching Funds:** Crow Wing Township was awarded funds in the amount of \$4,633.67 for much needed office equipment. Sourcewell is paying half and the Township will pay half. The three largest purchases will be a locking fireproof cabinet, scanner/printer copier that hooks up to the internet and chairs. Items would be ordered, and Paul would see it through.

Public comments: David and Lisa Gerhardt were in attendance questioning regarding Strong Avenue and Heron Street. No action was taken. The Gerhardt's were given a letter written by Scott Saehr regarding their violation.

George Burton was present requesting to close Lone Oak Road from 9-10 pm. On August 12th to have fireworks. Doug made a motion to approve. Nathan seconded. No discussion. Carried 3-0.

Randy wanted to know when sweeping would get done. Doug told him the brushes that had been on order for 3 months had arrived, he put them on and then the bar snapped.

There was discussion about trees that need to be removed.

The Fema money is still held up. Doug is trying to locate a UEIN number which indicates when the Township was incorporated. He has calls into the County and the State.

Ditch mowing was discussed.

Planning Commission Report: Metes/Bounds/Minor Subdivision fee discussion: Brad stated the County will no longer cover the cost of surveys in minor subdivisions. Discussion ensued on increasing the rate and/or change in verbiage and a pass-through cost of the survey to the applicant at the actual cost. Brad will follow up. The Gerhardt violation will be followed up. There is no PZ meeting in July. Brad said there are more permits than in past years and the process is going well.

Doug brought up the parking lot tarring as the neighbor thought the Township was encroaching on their property. It was mentioned that a hard surface can go right up to the property line and no setback is required.

Treasurers Report: Payroll was reviewed and approved. Claims #2059 to #2084 reviewed and approved. Papers were signed by the Board for the account at First National Bank North.

Road Report: Doug is waiting to hear back regarding the gravel bid for both roads shared with St. Mathias and Fort Ripley Townships. The Barrows project is nearing completion. Anderson Brother's have done a great job. Doug, Gerry, and Linda have done a great job in the right of way. There are some clumps of dirt that will be leveled soon and mailboxes will be put in place. The crack sealing at Estate Circle was discussed. Doug will be talking to Jerome at Jet Black about the quality of workmanship. There is a small stretch that needs to be completed at an additional cost of \$350. Doug made a motion to approve the \$350 additional cost. Paul seconded. Passed 3-0. The 5-year road plan was discussed. Goron Road needs repairing. Doug will talk to Scott at Anderson's. Many areas need road repaving and multiple ditches need tree removal. Bids for tree removals were over \$100,000. Doug made the motion to table the road plan. Nathan seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Doug stated the 40 MPH sign did not come in with the stop signs.

Cemetery Report: Gerry said a tree was down and he would take care of it. Doug stated someone wanted a grave marked but they do not have any information as to the lot, block, and site.

Fire Administration: Nathan attended the Fire Administration meeting on June 6th and gave the report. He talked about the lawsuit, the budget, and the number of calls. He stated that one fourth of the calls are false alarms.

Administrative Business: MAT membership cards were distributed to the board members.

Communications: Miscellaneous mail was reviewed including MN State Demographic Center regarding our population.

Announcements: None.

Approve Minutes: The May 9, 2023, meeting minutes were reviewed. There were minor changes. Doug made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Paul seconded. No discussion. Passed 3-0.

Adjourn Meeting: Doug made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nathan seconded the motion. No discussion. Passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.