

Empire Township Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2016

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Terry Holmes at 8:00 p.m...

Present were: Terry Holmes, Jamie Elvestad, Ed Gerten, Kathleen Krippner, Jeff Hince, and Brian Hilgardner

Agenda: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the agenda. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Organizational Meeting was opened at 8:10. Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the Organizational list for 2016. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting Minutes: Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting on March 8, 2016, continuation of the Town Board meeting minutes on March 15, 2016, Planning Commission meeting on March 15, 2016 and Park and Rec March 14, 2016. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Treasurer Report: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the unaudited treasurer report as read. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Visitors: Jim Hoeft, with the Snow Tigers said thanks to Empire for our part in their 6th Annual Special Needs Ride. They would like to make Empire their home. This year there were 174 registrants. The date for 2017 is February 4th.

Bills to be paid: Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$53,246.25. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Committee Reports

Maintenance / Sewer and Water / Road and Bridges

Jeff reported that on the gravels there is a couple frost boils.

The trucks have been DOT'd.

Sachs Park is back in shape after the ice rink.

They are now trimming waterways.

Bolton & Menk

Brian reported that Tara with MNDOT has a warrant study authorized for a possible round-about at 170th.

The Railroad made contact with him. They will get a concrete pad this summer.

New Business:

Ed Gerten made a motion to approve Ag Industries IUP, Addendum No. 2 for Brandtjen Property. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Ag Industries IUP for the Lauer Property. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ed Gerten made a motion to approve Ordinance Amendment 40-UU rezoning Lauer Property to ME-Mineral Extraction. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to donate 50 chairs for the Empire Room at the Rambling River Senior Center. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15

Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer