

Empire Township Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2016

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

Present were: Terry Holmes, Jamie Elvestad, Kathleen Krippner, Jeff Hince, and Dean Johnson

Agenda: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the agenda with adding Wetland Replacement Plan under Resource Strategies and taking the Fire Chief off. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Meeting Minutes: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting on July 26, 2016, Planning Commission meeting on August 2, 2016 and Park and Rec August 4, 2016. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Treasurer Report: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the unaudited treasurer report as read. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Public Hearing: The public hearing to consider adopting Ordinance No. 325 – Establishing Regulations and Standards for Granting Cable Television Franchises was opened at 8:25. There weren't any comments or questions. Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 325 and the Summary for print. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0. The hearing was closed.

Bills to be paid: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$ 60,195.34. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Committee Reports

Maintenance / Sewer and Water / Road and Bridges

Jeff reported that they will be adding gravel to 210th Street and then dust control. The guys are working on the disc golf and have them about 80% complete.

Park & Rec

Celebration went well.

Resource Strategies: Dean reported that the County said that they would work on the ditches and the culverts on Blaine Ave... Jeff was going to check on 164th Street to see if they worked on the shoulders. Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the agreement for revocation of County Rd 79 and of 164th Street West and a portion of Chippendale Ave. if Brian Hilgardner gives his approval of the roads. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Providence 4th: Empire received a new Letter of Credit. Warren says that they will grade and reseed the eastern edge and that they will pay for the top coat of asphalt when it happens.

Geronimo: Brian Watson with Dakota SWCD sent a memorandum on URSA Community Solar Garden Project Application for a No Loss and Replacement Plan Decision submitted by Geronimo Energy. Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the Plan. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Addendum No. 1 (2016) for Oak Leaf Solar's Interim Use Permit explaining their revised plans. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Old Business:

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 400 – Empire Township Zoning Ordinance and the Summary for print. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

New Business:

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the Developer's Agreement for Mark Elliot Homes as long as they install individual meters per unit. Terry Holmes seconded. Motion passed 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at

Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer