

Empire Township Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2017

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, Denise Williamson, Dean Johnson and Brian Hilgardner

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

Meeting Minutes: Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the minutes of the Town Board meeting on April 11, 2017, Planning Commission meeting on April 18, 2017 and Park and Rec April 24, 2017. 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: Carlos and Sara Zumbado Segura at 3089 191st Street W, came to discuss their drainage issue. Brian will stop out to look at it.

Bills to be paid: Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$69,763.00. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Committee Reports

Maintenance / Sewer and Water / Road and Bridges

The soonest we could get dust control scheduled is the second week in June.

The Board agreed that the guys should go ahead and seed along the trails.

They are crack sealing and chip sealing now.

Park & Rec

If catering at the public works building, the caterer's small flame is alright. DJ can play until the end unless there are complaints. The Sheriff should stop them.

Park and Rec were asked to donate the rental of the fields and/or the 20% concession payment to go toward the fund raiser tournament for a young girl. Townships are not allowed to donate toward individual fundraisers so no, we cannot.

Bolton & Menk

Brian reported that three beaver dams were removed at the south end of the Met Council property. John Brand was in to discuss. It helped some but 190th Street still backup and floods some adjacent properties. Brian would like to meet with Met Council, the County and DNR to discuss potential project funding to clean out the ditches.

Brian reported on Highway 3 plans. The 170th Street round-about is scheduled for 2019. The turn lanes are scheduled for 2020.

Resource Strategies

Dean reported that Sun Edison is getting some of their paper work in.

Cemstone needs to provide some plans. For the Brockman property, they will probably need an EAW and the have 8 years to mine that property.

Old Business

Kathy will send a letter requesting that representatives from the MN Cambodian Buddhist Society come in to discuss parking at their New Year Celebration.

Andrew Revering, Duane Alley and Andrew Sheets were in to discuss Castle Court drainage issue.

New Business:

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Aggregate Industries IUP Addendum #1 for the Lauer property. This increases phasing to cover 160 acres and extend the permit by one year. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ben Blomgren, JTN Company, did his presentation for 12 water tower antennas. Ed Gerten made a motion to have Adam check out the plans and on how to proceed. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45.

Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer