

Empire Township Meeting Minutes November 14, 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 and Dean Johnson

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 October 24, 2017, Planning Commission meeting on November 7, 2017 and Park and Rec meeting on November 13, 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: Deputy Sheriff stopped in and said everything was going good. He warned us that we should be watching mailboxes. Items have been stolen.

Mark Pasvogel, with Mark Elliot Homes, requested his escrow money for blocks 3, 4 and 5. He plans on having the project completed including the final pavement and the pond area by mid to late June, 2018. Jamie, Jeff and Kathy will work with Ron on the escrow.

Bills to be paid: Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$91,206.73. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Committee Reports

Maintenance / Sewer and Water / Road and Bridges

Jeff reported that he lowered the water level in the tower for winter usage.

They finished the flow test of the hydrants for the insurance company.

They are doing a final grading on the roads prior to winter.

Street Sweeping has been delayed but hopefully finished by the end of this week.

They are cleaning and repairing culverts and cleaning willows out of the stream areas.

Resource Strategies

Dean reported on the last EFPAC meeting regarding the plans using 194th Street as an emergency access only for Fairhill Estate North Creek and long term plan a road going from 190th Street down to 197th Street. MNDOT says we need a control access at 197th Street.

Old Business:

Discussion was held with residents regarding Ordinance No. 400-D Public Nuisance, Motor Vehicles on Private Property in the Mixed Residential District. The Board went over the draft from the Planning Commission and made a couple revisions to it. The Ordinance will be corrected and then forwarded to our lawyers for approval.

The Board said we should hold off on relocating our polling place until the next presidential election.

The Board approved the Dental Insurance for employees with the price correction.

New Business:

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Lewis, Kisch & Associates, Ltd. doing our year end audit. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve Southern Hills Liquor, Wine, Club or 3.2% License renewal. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer