

**Empire Township Meeting Minutes
November 27, 2018**

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, Brian Hilgardner and Jane Kansier

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 November 13, 2018, Planning Commission meeting on November 20, 2018 and Park and Rec meeting on November 26, 2018. 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: Pierce Stepp with Common Property Mgmt. pays the water/sewer bills for Mark Elliot Townhomes and is asking for a credit for late fees. They paid late 4 times in the last two years. The Board decided not to issue the credit.

Duane Alley stopped in to Thank Brian and the Board for the great job that Fredrickon's did on the drainage ditch.

Bills to be paid: Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$55,301.43. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Committee Reports

Maintenance / Sewer and Water / Road and Bridges

Jeff reported that the water tower had a leak in the valve and they need to replace it with a stainless steel valve costing \$14,000 which includes cleaning out the tower.

The culvert has been changed out on Biscayne Ave.

The trails look nice after trimming.

Park and Rec

Empire's Holiday Party is Saturday December 8 10 – Noon.
Empire Celebration has been set for August 1, 2019.

The Farmington girls' team sounded interested in playing in the Dew Day tournament.

Bolton & Menk

Brian reported that he received MNDOT's Highway 3 plans.

George Eilertson will be at the next meeting discussing the bond. Neighborhood meeting for 200th Street will be held January 22.

Brian is working with Met Council regarding the 190th Street drainage.

Planning

Jane reported Dakota Aggregates turned in an application for mining on the UMore land.

Brockman Property EAW is finished and we will receive a mining application in 2 – 3 weeks.

New Business:

Jamie Elvestad made a motion that Apple Valley's 2030 Comp Plan amendment will not have an impact on Empire Township. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ed Gerten made a motion that Rosemount's 2030 Comp Plan amendment will not have an impact on Empire Township. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve amendment to Section 5.06 – D to the Empire Township Zoning Ordinance to allow automobile sales as an Interim Use Permit in the MXR District. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the Interim Use Permit to allow automobile sales in the MXR district. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the amendment to Empire Township's Ordinance 515-E Application Fee of 250.00 and Escrow of 2500 for submittal of a Sketch Plan Application. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Empire Town Board will be having a joint meeting with the Planning Commission on December 18th. The Board will start their meeting at 7:30 p.m. to pay bills. The December 25th meeting is canceled.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55.

Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer