

**Empire Township Meeting Minutes  
January 22, 2019**

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 January 8, 2019, Planning Commission meeting on January 15, 2019 and Park and Rec meeting on January 14, 2019. 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:** Joe Tierney with Dakota One L.L.C. came to discuss their March deadline for their IUP.

**Bills to be paid:** Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$47,285.44. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**Committee Reports**

**Maintenance / Sewer and Water / Road and Bridges**

Jeff reported that they are working on the ice rink. Jeff and Denise were asked to figure out a permanent ice rink, where and what it would cost.

Roads have some ice on them.

The boilers in the Public Works building have been updated and are now on an alarm system. They can be scheduled online.

As long as there isn't too much snow, they guys will continue cleaning around water ways and ponds.

**Park and Rec**

The Dew Days Tournament, which we keep losing money on, was discussed. Jamie Elvestad made a motion to drop the tournament. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Terry was approached about having the high school girls fast pitch team play out there.

**Bolton & Menk**

Brian reported that they had a good turnout for the neighborhood meeting on the 2019 Street Improvements Project.

Brian turned in a 60% submittal on MNDOT's project, Hwy 3 and 170<sup>th</sup> Street.

Brian clarified with Dave Adelman that Empire can place part of the 190<sup>th</sup> Street waterway on Dave's property. Dave was alright with this. We are still waiting on Met Council.

Brian attended a Rosemount meeting last week regarding the development of the UMore site

**Planning**

Jane reported that we have two mining public hearings scheduled February 5<sup>th</sup>. One is for the Brockman site and the other is UMore site. The notices will be out this week.

Brian and Jane will be meeting with the Dakota County Transportation facility expansion group on Thursday.

We should be getting our Comp Plan review letter Wednesday from Met Council.

**Old Business:**

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the resolution calling Public Hearing on the intention to issue General Obligation Street Reconstruction Plan Bonds on February 26. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the foregoing Engagement Letter from Dorsey assisting in the issuance of the General Obligation Street Reconstruction Plan Bonds. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**New Business:**

Jeff was congratulated on renewing his Wastewater Treatment Facility Class SC license.

Joe Broderick with MN Solar Connection turned in an application for a three month extension to their IUP. He agreed to work with Jane and pay for her time for drawing up a Resolution to allow this. Jamie Elvestad made a motion to approve the extension. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55.

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Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

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Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer