

**Empire Township Meeting Minutes  
May 10, 2016**

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, Dean Johnson, Jill Parkins 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 26, 2016, Planning Commission meeting on May 3, 2016 and Park and Rec May 9, 2016. 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:** Al Full stopped in to discuss the issue with KJWalk and his field. They went on to 10' of his farmland and did grading. McJellum has an easement there for his trunk lines. Xcell was on last year and when Al talked to them, they brushed him off. McJellum told Luke that he could put 2' of dirt on and that was it. The solution is to build a retaining wall on the South side of the lot and soil for Al's field. Al plans on planting in 1-2 weeks depending on weather.

**Bills to be paid:** Ed Gerten made a motion to approve the attached list of bills in the amount of \$53,328.66 . Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**Committee Reports**

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

Jeff reported that the will be graded after the rain. Soil and water are doing good. Crack sealing and seal coating are delayed due to rain.

Ed Gerten made a motion to hire Tyler Clayton as the ballfields complex maintenance position, approximately 20 hours per week, at \$14.00 per hour. Jamie Elvestad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**Bolton & Menk:** Brian reported that Ag Industries is interested in putting in the box culvert now.

KJWalk was asked to give a daily update. They want to patch. Every trench will be compressed and packed. The development will have a 2-year warranty and there will be a warranty bond.

The back yards in the Providence drainage area are all sodded. The company will be back to cut the sod.

**Resource Strategies:** Dean reported that Ames Construction would like to start using the 80 acres. Ames will be at the Planning Commission next week. They will need an EAW which takes 6 month, a permit and a site plan.

**Old Business:**

Ione McKague is ready to sell. Empire and Ione will get an assessor for the property.

Jamie Elvestad made a motion to accept the Erosion Control correction plan that Ron Wasmund submitted. Ed Gerten seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**New Business:**

Farmington Fire Department contacted Ron Wasmund and requested that Ed Krahl's place be condemned and torn down. We will talk to Adam Dowd on it.

Meeting adjourned at

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Terry Holmes – Chairman Town Board

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Kathleen B. Krippner, Clerk - Treasurer