

Fish Lake Township
2170 Brunswick Road
Harris, MN 55032
June 14, 2010 Regular Monthly Meeting

Township Officials Present: Chair Diane Larkin
Supervisor Bob Cupit
Supervisor Bob Carter
Andrea Nekowitsch, Clerk
Sharon McAndrew, Treasurer

Chair Carter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All in attendance stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

Approve Agenda

Supervisor Larkin moved to approve agenda as presented, Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor.

Road Report

Gary Guse replaced culverts on 463rd St. and 460th St. Additional rocks were placed at the Goose Lake Narrows bridge. Spot graveling was completed on 460th, 467th and 470th Streets.

Alvin Norling on Anchor Ave. cleared brush out of the ditch near his driveway approach to increase the water. The culvert that is out of the Township's right of way is being pushed up by frost causing drainage issues. There were conversations in the past regarding the township having to clean out the ditch to improve the drainage of the ditch Chair Carter moved to install a 15'x30' culvert at Alvin Norling's driveway in the Township's right of way, Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor

Chair Carter moved to charge Nessel Township \$100 for residual sanding mix rock that was swept up on Blue Heron Trail in the annual billing.

The Board asked Gary to get a quote from Haven Stump Removal to remove the following trees that are a potential hazard: two cottonwood trees on Tucker and one cottonwood tree and trim one oak branch on Buffalo Trail. Gary was also asked to trim back a tree that has fallen into the right of way at a vacant property on Cambridge Drive/Cty. 62

Treasurers Report

The board reviewed the treasurer's report.

Blacktop Fund	\$93,031.32	Driveway Fund	\$ 572.24
Equipment Fund	\$23,142.35	Dahlstorp Cemetery	\$9,218.06
Savings	\$ 127,103.67	Checking	\$2727.30
SSD	\$43,789.41	Receipts	\$ 9939.65

Supervisor Larkin moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, approve payment of check #10204 to #10222, for the amount of \$11,809.95, authorize up to \$4000.00 in operating disbursements for the upcoming month, approve the claims list as presented and transfer \$3,500.00 from savings to checking Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in Favor.

Appointments

David Baker presented the Board with the final plat of Horseshoe Beach. New articles were drafted in David Baker's name only; David Baker chose to remove Sherry Hropko from the road vacation documents. The Board viewed the final plat and related documents. Supervisor Larkin moved to approve the final plat for Horseshoe Beach, Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor. Supervisor Larkin moved approval of the following articles, Order Accepting Petition Describing Vacation Area and Setting Hearing Date for Vacating a Portion of Cedarcrest Court; Resolution Vacating a Town Road; Order Vacating Portion of Cedarcrest Court; Covenant to Relocate SSTS (septic sewer treatment system); Grant of Temporary Easement for Turn Around and Acceptance and Consent, Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor. Chair Carter and Clerk Nekowitsch must sign two of the documents at a later date in front of a notary. Necessary documents will be filed with the Chisago County Recorder's Office.

Don Seitz, 45850 Cambridge Way. Mr. Seitz asked the Board for a variance to build an attached garage that will be closer to the road and septic system than the required setback. The board discussed the variance with Mr. Seitz and viewed the property map. Supervisor Cupit moved to accept the variance with notation that the Board would prefer the garage be along side of the house rather than encroach on the roadway, Chair Carter 2nd. All in favor.

Mike and Anne Tessneer asked the board to grant a CUP for a homestead business (Stark Wines). They are seeking approval for a 40x60 facility for wine production and a wine tasting room is planned for the future. The winery will be open to the public from May to October with a few larger events to be held throughout the year in conjunction with other local events. Although unknown at this time, the Tessneers estimate 50 vehicles on an event day, the parking lot will be built to accommodate 30 cars with an overflow area to hold an additional 20 cars. Supervisor Cupit moved approval of the CUP for Stark Wines, LLC, Supervisor Larkin 2nd. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes

Supervisor Cupit moved approval of the May 2010 minutes as discussed, Supervisor Larkin 2nd. All in favor.

Clerk Report

A combination request form was sent to the Township from Chisago County to combine two parcels into one for Dahlstorp Cemetery. Supervisor Larkin moved for Clerk Nekowitsch to sign the document to combine the split portion of Dahlstorp Cemetery, Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor.

The Menards signature form was updated.

Board Member Reports

None.

Old Business

Board members are working on their separate articles for the newsletter.

Joseph Call is waiting for approval for his Dahlstorp Cemetery project from the Boy Scouts Council.

New Business

Charitable donations were tabled until a future meeting.

Chair Carter advised the Board that Randolph Keen has been notified that the cottonwood trees in the right of way will be removed.

Chair Carter also spoke to R. Polzine on Alpine about the Township possibly widening the curve in the future.

A resident from Maple Lane has been pulling gravel off the road and into his driveway. Chair Carter spoke to him and the resident agreed that he will not do it again. Photos were taken and are on file.

Supervisor Larkin and Treasurer McAndrew will work on a filing and storage system for plat maps.

Citizen Comment

None.

Supervisor Larkin moved to adjourn at 10:10 p.m., Supervisor Cupit 2nd. All in favor.