

CASCADE TOWNSHIP

OLMSTED COUNTY – MINNESOTA BOARD MINUTES

APRIL 2, 2012

Call to order at 6:00 pm at the new Cascade Town Hall Meeting Room. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were: Chairman Lenny Laures, Supervisor Arlen Heathman, Supervisor Harold Atkinson, and Clerk\Treasurer Joe Vroman.

Attendees present: Deputy Val Coe, Mike Brown, Bill Truskowski, Bill Tointon, Roger Ihrke, Ann Hinz and Tami Olson.

Township Board Continuing Business.

- A motion by Heathman to nominate Lenny Laures as Chairman of the Board until the next annual meeting and election, seconded by Atkinson, motion approved.
- A motion by Supervisor Atkinson to approve the minutes from the March 5th meeting as presented, seconded by Heathman, motion approved.
- A motion by Heathman to pay the March Joint Powers bill of \$16,475.77, seconded by Laures, motion approved.
- A motion by Heathman to pay the remaining Cascade bills, seconded by Atkinson, all voted in favor to pay the total bills of \$22,380.19, motion approved.

Treasurer Vroman gave the financial report at the meeting:

The checkbook balance at the end of the March 5th, 2012 meeting was \$313,404.79
Added to that total were the deposits in March, checking interest of \$28.87, State of Minnesota land purchase \$42,500.00 for a total deposit of \$42,528.87.

Outstanding Check(s); MAT board Insurance \$645.00

Bank checking statement on March 31, 2012 was \$356,578.66

Checks written at this meeting totaled \$24,152.14

Income at this meeting, none

Ending checkbook balance on April 2nd, 2012 was \$331,781.52

Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Heathman, seconded by Laures, motion approved.

Motion by Heathman to use the Cascade Town Hall for a meeting of all Townships to discuss the Olmsted County town sign inventory program and have questions and answers after the meeting. Scheduled for Wednesday April 25th at 7:00PM.

This was seconded by Atkinson, motion approved.

Sheriff Deputy's Report:

Deputy Val Coe updated the Board on her patrol activities. There were 28 calls for service since last Township meeting.

Township Board New Business

At 7:00 PM, Roger Ihrke, Cascade Township Zoning Administrator, presented a preliminary plat for review for the new subdivision called River Highlands.

Bill Tointon from McGhie & Betts spoke on the changes to the preliminary plat to the Board since last meeting.

Roger Ihrke spoke on the issue of the radius of River Bluffs road where it met West River Road and have to meet the Olmsted County requirement on the radius. A developer's agreement needs to be in place prior to issuing a grading permit.

Bill Truskowski spoke on the issue of River Highlands road meeting with West River Road, namely the angle, curve and elevation of road.

Discussion by the Board followed on the issues and recommendations.

A motion by Atkinson to dedicate the north access road which goes to the Haack property as opposed to an easement, this was seconded by Heathman, motion approved.

A motion by Lares to get some property screening for the first 2 lots in River Highlands, to be four foot tall pine trees 20 feet from property line, 1 additional row of pine trees for a distance of the first 300 feet. This motion was seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

A motion by Heathman to approve the preliminary plat with the above modifications and anticipation of a developers agreement being approved, this was seconded by Atkinson, motion approved.

At 7:40 PM, Roger Ihrke from TCPA presented a lot line shift request from Ann Hinz and Darlene Ziemann. This request is to shift about 0.36 acres from the farm parcel to the non-farm parcel. After little discussion, a motion by Lares, seconded by Atkinson to approve the request as presented. Motion approved.

Discussion, TCPA request for financial help to offset the training costs for the septic inspectors. The shared cost for Cascade Township is \$152.88. No opposition from the board.

The Clerk is to contact one of the board members of the Pleasant Prairie Cemetery Association and invite them back to an upcoming town board meeting for an update on the cemetery standing.

Don Koster request to rent the town hall meeting room on June 16, 2012 was approved by the Board.

Motion by Heathman to adjourn this meeting at 8:50PM, seconded by Lares, motion approved.

Submitted: Joseph Vroman, Clerk