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CASCADE TOWNSHIP
OLMSTED COUNTY-MINNESOTA
BOARD MINUTES

April 13, 2020

OPENING BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm via the call-in declaration as set by Chairman Laures. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance were Supervisors Gary Sieck, Dean Hegrenes, Mike Black, Arlen Heathman and Lenny Laures, Clerk/Treasurer Sara Rudquist, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Lois Freed, Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran and 10 citizens.

The minutes for the March 9, 2020, Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Supervisor Sieck and seconded by Supervisor Heathman to approve the minutes as provided. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

The Board reviewed the March 10, 2020, Annual Meeting Minutes as presented and signed by the moderator.

The minutes for the March 10, 2020, Board of Canvass Meeting were reviewed by the Board. Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Hegrenes seconded to approve the minutes as provided. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Deputy Sheriff Dean Thompson presented the public safety report. There were 81 calls for service since the last meeting.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the Joint Powers Board claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Sieck and seconded by Supervisor Heathman to approve and pay the Cascade Township portion (\$21,305.59) of the total claims including net payroll of \$13,681.37 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township Cash Control Statement and bank statement. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to accept the Cash Control Statement with an end-of-the-month balance of \$376,955.60 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township claims and payroll. Supervisor Sieck moved and Supervisor Black seconded to approve and pay the current month's claims of \$35,769.53 and gross pay of \$5,907.12 as presented. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran gave his monthly report. The Oakmere neighborhood has estimates on the removal of the construction in the center of the cul-de-sac. Sweeping has been completed and ditch repair has begun. Road work will begin once the plan is set by the board.

Supervisors discussed the road work suggested by Mr. Cochran. Chairman Laures had cancelled the official road tour scheduled for March 27, due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Supervisors Hegrenes and Heathman have viewed the township roads. Supervisor Hegrenes moved to instruct Mr. Cochran to proceed with work as documented:

- Wear, overlay and shouldering on 73rd Street, Halifax Lane, Hayward Lane, Quarry Court, 19th Street NW at an approximate cost of \$358,712.09;
- Ditch work on St. Mary's Drive at an approximate cost of \$13,339.00;
- Additional crack filling and seal coating as determined and directed by the Town Board at an approximate cost of \$70,000.00;
- Total approximate cost of \$442,051.09.

Supervisor Black seconded. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Board discussed 65th Street options. Chairman Laures is pursuing on-going conversations in this regard with the City of Rochester and Olmsted County. Estimated cost for the township to pave this gravel portion under consideration is \$100,000 to \$200,000. Board will re-evaluate the plan for 65th Street at the May Board Meeting, and directed Mr. Cochran to continue to blade per the regular maintenance schedule.

NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

Following discussion with Kristine Anderson of Jaguar Communications, Inc., Supervisor Sieck moved and Supervisor Heathman seconded to approve Resolution 2020.04.01, Approving the Change of Control of Jaguar Communications, Inc. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to appoint Cheryl Adolphson for a 3-year term on the Planning Commission. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor Laures moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to appoint Supervisor Dean Hegrenes as the board representative to the Planning Commission for 2020-2021. All voted in favor with Supervisor Hegrenes abstaining. Motion passed.

Supervisor Sieck moved and Supervisor Hegrenes seconded to approve the reorganizational items as recommended. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor Sieck moved and Supervisor Black seconded to approve and accept the Nickelson Painting, Inc., proposal to paint the interior of the town hall at a cost of \$3,763.00. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor Hegrenes moved and Supervisor Heathman seconded to approve the land lease agreement with Darrell and Gloria Schultz as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Board discussed the status of the West River Road Property/Jason Gasciogne lawsuit. All non-essential court cases are on hold due to the COVID-19 situation. Mr. Tiede will provide a recommendation before the next board meeting.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Supervisor Lares moved and Supervisor Heathman seconded to direct Supervisor Black to follow up with Mr. Ihrke and then contact the township attorney in regards to the property on Cedarholm and the collection of trailers. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Supervisor Heathman suggested all supervisors travel 65th Street and 19th Street and make themselves aware of the condition of each road.

Nicole Brueck gave the Planning Commission report on the last meeting.

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to make changes in the Subdivision Ordinance as recommended by Mr. Roger Ihrke. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor Heathman will review current state law and present a recommendation for amending Cascade's current ordinance at the May board meeting.

It was noted that a quorum of the Cascade Town Board may be present at the following call-in only meetings:

- Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, April 21, 2020, 6:00pm
- Board of Appeal and Equalization – Tuesday, April 21, 2020, 9:30am – 10:00am

It was moved by Supervisor Sieck and seconded by Supervisor Black to adjourn. All voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 8:31pm.

Ten citizens registered their attendance at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Rudquist
Cascade Township Clerk/Treasurer

Chairman Lenny Lares

Clerk/Treasurer Sara Rudquist