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**CASCADE TOWNSHIP
OLMSTED COUNTY-MINNESOTA
BOARD MINUTES**

July 13, 2020

OPENING BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm in person at the Cascade Township Hall and via the call-in declaration as set by Chairman Heathman. 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, and Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran.

The minutes for the June 8, 2020, Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Supervisor Black and seconded by Supervisor Hegrenes to approve the minutes as provided. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Deputy Sheriff Dean Thompson presented the public safety report. There were 147 calls for service since the last meeting. One incident involved a dog bite. Board discussed whose responsibility (county or township) it is to make a determination regarding potentially dangerous dogs. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Laures seconded to table the dangerous dog topic and contact Mr. Tiede for clarification in this regard. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the Joint Powers Board claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Hegrenes and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to approve and pay the Cascade Township portion (\$20,907.55) of the total claims including net payroll of \$16,493.70 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township Cash Control Statement, bank statement and updated township bond list. Clerk Rudquist reported that the 75% reimbursement for 2019 storm damage costs was reimbursed from the state. Sally Hill bond needs to be renewed by August 1; Clerk will follow up on this. Mathy quarry bond will need to be in place before mining begins; Supervisor Hegrenes will follow up on this. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to accept the Cash Control Statement with an end-of-the-month balance of \$11,712.98 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township claims and payroll. Supervisor Hegrenes moved and Supervisor Black seconded to approve and pay the current month's claims of \$129,352.99 and gross pay of \$5,920.40 as presented. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran gave his monthly report. Much of the summer road work has been completed. Crew has continued ditch work on St. Mary's Drive. The seal coating agreement is signed and work will be completed later this year. Second mowing will begin in August. Spraying for noxious weeds will happen this week. A wash out on 7th Street was repaired.

NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

Board discussed the maintenance of 65th Street NW before the construction of the school. Township will continue all maintenance until spring of 2021.

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Black seconded to recess the board meeting and convene the Board of Adjustment. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Roger Ihrke, TCPA, presented the Metes and Bounds Subdivision request from Mathy Construction and Wilmar Investments. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to approve the request per staff recommendations (1 – The applicant provides a certificate of survey for recording of the subdivision and pay the appropriate county routing fees long with an easement at least sixty-six feet in width from the Tract B to a public roadway; 2 – that the newly created Tract B be labeled non-buildable for dwelling purposes). All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Roger Ihrke, TCPA, presented the Metes and Bounds Subdivision request from Michael and Stephanie Sulla, 1830 68th Street NW. Board discussed their driveway requests as related to the subdivision. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Laures seconded to table this request until next month's meeting. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor Heathman reconvened the board meeting.

Mr. Matthew Kundert representing UCI Cell Tower and the recently approved CUP 20-02 presented a request for a second access. After discussion, Board denied the request.

Supervisor Heathman presented a proposed update to the township Dog Ordinance. Updates will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Black seconded to table the discussion regarding CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) offered to the township. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Chairman Brad Brech gave the Planning Commission report on the last meeting.

Supervisor Sieck moved and Supervisor Hegrenes seconded to approve the Cascade Township COVID-19 Preparedness Plan as presented. Supervisors Sieck, Hegrenes and Laures voted in favor. Supervisors Heathman and Black opposed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to approve Resolution 2020.07.01 Appointing Election Judges for 2020 Primary and General Elections. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Supervisor Hegrenes reported that the Subdivision Ordinance should remain as is, without a requirement for Metes and Bounds, due to the cost-prohibitive nature of the process.

Supervisor Hegrenes reported on a complaint from Jason Ryan of trucks using Jake brakes on East River Road near his property. Mark Cochran will talk to the city about this.

There were 3 calls for police service at the Gascogne property on West River Road this month.

Supervisor Hegrenes reported on the meeting regarding CRF monies. Supervisor Hegrenes reported on the Olmsted County meeting. Supervisor Laures reported on RCOG and TTAC meetings. Board reviewed the mail.

It was noted that a quorum of the Cascade Town Board may be present at the following meeting:

- Planning Commission Meeting – Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 6:00pm (in-person and call-in available)

Mr. Brian Morgan introduced himself as a candidate for Olmsted County Commissioner.

It was moved by Supervisor Black and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to adjourn. All voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

Five citizens registered their attendance at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Rudquist
Cascade Township Clerk/Treasurer

Chairman R. Arlen Heathman

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