

TOWN OF FALL LAKE
BOARD MINUTES – Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Chairman Hart called the regular January meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Pledge recited. Present Supervisors: Eric Hart, Craig Seliskar, Rod Gruba, Treasurer Don Stocks, Clerk Cheri DeBeltz, and 4 citizens.

Minutes of the previous meeting approved with motion by Supervisor Seliskar, support by Supervisor Hart & Supervisor Grubba.

Treasurer's report read and approved as read with motion by Hart, support by Seliskar & Gruba. Receipts of \$971.75 were received and disbursements totaled \$47,637.89. Recreation fund balance is \$8,954.67. Funds available to run the township \$368,861.00. Treasurer Stocks noted payment was made for fire truck with only two remaining payments left and will be paid off in early 2025.

Transfer Site: Dean Barrett reported that the bins are getting fill and will need to get picked up after this coming weekend February 11, 2023. Bag sales are going well.

Request received from Lake County Board of Commissioners to meet as a Committee of the Whole on the third Tuesday in June at Town of Fall Lakes town hall. Meeting to be held Tuesday June 20, 2023 starting at 6:00 pm. Supervisors Hart, Seliskar, Gruba, Treasurer Stocks, and Clerk DeBeltz are all able to attend. Clerk DeBeltz will notify Board and accept meeting.

Received an invitation to Join Lake County Emergency Preparedness & Management Advisory Committee. First Zoom meeting will be held 3/22/ 9:00 – 10:00 am. Their goal is to increase multijurisdictional preparation and collaboration for disaster prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery. Supervisors requested to accept the invite and forward the zoom link to each of them.

MN Public Facilities Authority sent us notices and instructions for the 2024 priority lists and intended us plans.

Thank you note received from Ely Public Schools for the donations to the Class of 2029 Wolf Ridge Trip and the Class of 2023 Washington DC trip.

Ely Public Library sent us a Thank you for the Support of the library. In 2022 Fall Lake Residents checked out 5,469 physical items at the Ely Public Library. That is 8.4% of the total circulation.

Ely-Winton Historical Society sent a flyer with information on becoming a member and a flyer with information about them. We are already lifetime members.

Received a Thank you Card from Marlene Skube – Thanking us for the gift cards and kindness.

Emily Seliskar was introduced as the new Deputy Clerk. Supervisor Hart made motion to have Emily Seliskar as Deputy Clerk, Supervisor Gruba 2nd and Supervisor Seliskar abstained.

Minnesota Association of Townships short courses will be held in person this year at various sites around Minnesota. The closest one is at the Duluth Entertainment Conference and Convention Center on 4/7/23 at 9:00am. Supervisor Hart made the motion to attend meetings, pay for time, milage, meals, and hotel for one night. 2nd by Supervisor Seliskar and support Supervisor Gruba

Land use and Septic Permits for the Township we Received the following:

Permit for Driveway and Building site for Bernard Pruse of Ironwood Rd Ely MN

Permit for Garage for Bernard Pruse of Ironwood Rd Ely MN

Land Use Permit for Cabin, Septic, and Garage for Nicholas and Emily Matak of Queens Bay Rd Ely Mn

Land Use Permit final demolition of home. Basement to be filled to grade with gravel, for William Leoni of Pioneer Rd Ely MN

Land Use Permit to install driveway, building pad, and septic for Charles Pap at TBD HWY 1 Ely MN

Pete Walsh Lake County Commissioner passed away on 1/24/23. A card was passed around and signed by everyone and Clerk DeBeltz will mail out to the Lake County Commissioners. A discussion was had that if two or fewer people file to run for his position an election would take place. If 3 or more file than a primary would have to be held before an election.

There has been nothing from the Lake County Sheriff's Department for the center garage stall rent.

Revitalization of the Town Hall was tabled until April.

Ernie's Road – nothing new to report and to be removed from the agenda.

Sunset Road – nothing new to report and to be removed from the agenda.

Supervisor Seliskar – had nothing to report.

Supervisor Hart – had nothing to report.

Supervisor Gruba – had nothing to report.

Supervisor Hart reported there is no road report.

Questions from citizens

Dean Barrett – Asked if there could be a plowed route to the burn file and when we could get one? Supervisor Seliskar stated he will talk to Jeff Schultz about that and have him to that at the same time he pushes the shoulders back.

Nancy McCreedy – Asked if the board would consider writing a letter to the Biden Administration regarding the 20-year moratorium on mining. She then read the letter that City of Ely and Ely Economic Development Agency is sending. A discussion was had regarding sending of the

letter. Supervisor Seliskar made motion sot send and Supervisor Hart 2nd, with Supervisor Gruba Abstaining. Nancy will send a copy of the letter to Clerk DeBeltz for reference.

Bills – Supervisor Hart made motion to pay bills, Supervisor Seliskar 2nd and Supervisor Gruba supports.

Motion by Chairman Supervisor Hart, support by Seliskar & Gruba, to adjourn the meeting at 6:60 pm.
