

Approved Clear Lake Township

Board Meeting Minutes

March 19th, 2024

Approved minutes of the March 19th, 2024, Clear Lake Township Board meeting held at the Clear Lake Township Hall.

People present were Chairman Bud Stimmler, Supervisor Ross Imholte, Supervisor Kiel Golly, Treasurer Paul Goenner, Road Engineer T. Vander Eyk, Penny Leuthard, Clerk Nancy Betzler and Sherburne Co Deputy.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bud Stimmler. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Additions to/Approve the agenda. Motion to approve agenda by Ross second by Kiel Carried.

The Supervisors reviewed the minutes of the regular township board meeting held on 02/20/2024. Motion to approve by Ross, second by Kiel. Carried.

After reviewing the bills presented, Ross Imholte motioned to pay the bills with a second by Kiel. Motion carried.

SHERIFF'S REPORT: The February monthly report was given, calls last year were 122 compared to 141 this year. There are still school bus stop arm violations. The State is working on a pilot program that they hope will help with that problem.

Public Hearing

The regular meeting was paused to open the public hearing for comments about vacating an alley by Elk Lake. Meeting was called to order. No one was present with any concerns or comments. Motion by Ross to close the public comments, second by Kiel Golly. Carried. Motion made by Ross Imholte, second by Kiel Golly to approve resolution 2024-03-19 to vacate the alley. Motion carried 3-0.

ROAD REPORT:

At 7:30 The bid opening for the 2024 Seal Cost Project was held. Only received one bid from Allied Blacktop for \$51,155. Roads to be done are 67 & 70 Streets and 100 Ave. Palmer Township will pay their share for 67th St because it is a town line road. Motion by Kiel Golly to approve on contingent of Engineers review. Second by Ross Imholte. Motion carried.

At 7:40 the bid opening for the 71st St Surfacing Project was held. 3 bids were received. Hanson Paving for \$11,746.00. MN Paving for \$19,160.00. Knife River for \$13,860.00. Motion by Ross Imholte to select Hanson Paving on contingent of review by the Engineer of the bids. Second Kiel Golly. Motion carried.

Old Business:

MN CSG-2029-67 Monk-Gohman IUP Solar farm: Brian Keegan with New Energy Company was present to explain that they are reducing the size of the solar farm by .79 acre and want to use chain link fence covered with privacy fence material instead of trees. The Township will send a favorable comment to the County if the County Boards agrees with what New Energy is going with.

MN CSG-33 LLC Golly Variance for existing project. Brian Keegen is also here to discuss that they have a new approved site to the west of a current site and they would like to not have the trees that would be requested between the 2 solar fields. The township will send favorable comments about this to the County.

Ordinance Regulating the Surface Use of Elk Lake. We have been working with the DNR and they have approved the new ordinance as written. Motion by Ross Imholte to rescind last year's ordinance 2023-04-18. Second by Kiel Golly. Motion carried. Motion by Ross Imholte to approve ordinance 2024-03-19A. Second by Kiel Golly. Motion carried. We will send a copy of the ordinance to law enforcement. We'll be ordering a No wake sign to use when needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

CUP Coreen Pearson 9241 100th Ave SE: Farm Related Activities & Sales: Mr. & Mrs. Pearson were present to explain their request. Their family business has been in business since 1946 in Ramsey and will be moving to 9241 100 Ave. Motion by Ross Imholte to send a positive comment for the CUP to the County. Second by Kiel Golly. Motion carried.

Clean Up Day: Will be May 4th from 7:30 to 12:00. Discussed the current prices that we charge. Most prices will stay the same.

Chairmans update: March 26th we will have a meeting about the Long Lake Lane Road project. April 10th will be our Board of Equalization & Appeal Meeting.

Ross Imholte made a motion to adjourn, second by Kiel Golly. Motion carried. Adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Betzler
Township Clerk