



PUBLIC HEARINGS – VACATIONS  
PORTION OF 273<sup>RD</sup> AVE. NW  
WELL & WATERLINE EASEMENT  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2014 6:00PM  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
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The Orrock Township Board met in for the purpose of Public Hearing in the matter of vacating a portion of 273<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW, and vacating the Township's interest in an easement over a well and water line access in Winter Meadows, on Wednesday August 27, 2014, beginning at 6:00PM.

Chair Michael Eisinger, Supervisors Charles Gotzian & Eric Peterson were in attendance. Vice-Chair Mike Meier, Supervisor Shane Berg, Treasurer Laura Jones and Clerk Brenda Kimberly-Maas were in absent. Land owner, Clint Corrow, County Commissioner John Riebel, town residents Bob Hassett and Wayne Chermack and Township Engineer, Mike Nielson were also in attendance.

The Public Hearing was called to order by Chair Eisinger, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited at 6:00PM.

Chair Eisinger Opened for Public Comments the matter of the vacating a portion of 273<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW.

Chair Eisinger addressed the gallery noting that all interested landowners hasd been served the necessary paperwork and the public meeting notices were both published and posted at least 10-days prior to this Public Hearing.

John Riebel asked if anyone uses the road. Chair Eisinger noted that some Livonia residents may use it but mostly used for people to dump trash. If were to be developed, the developer would need to bring it up to code. He stated that the cost to maintain it is higher than the process to vacate it.

No Further comments were made.

Chair Eisinger closed comments in the matter of vacating a portion of 273<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW

Chair Eisinger Opened for Public Comments the matter of the vacating the township's interest in the easement over a well and waterline in Winter Meadows.

Bob Hassett asked how much to upkeep the well.

Chair Eisinger noted that the well is not currently in service, the pump is stuck in the casing, the well is capped and casing is below grade. The main concern is that rain and ground water is leaking into the well. There is the potential of contaminating the aquifer and it is his opinion that it should be sealed since it is abandoned. He also noted that the Township has never formally accepted or utilized the easement that was granted in the late 1990's. It could cost \$1000 - \$10,000 to pull the pump and get the well in functioning condition. He stated that the Township would have to put in a road to allow for access to the well. This would also be costly and the easement may not even be large enough to put in the 96' diameter cul-de-sac, required by law, for fire trucks. There would also be liability placed on the township, should the service be installed. John Riebel asked, "So your lawyer has said you should abandon the well?"

Supervisor Gotzian clarified that abandoning the well is not what is being done. Chair Eisinger further clarified that the Board is vacating the easement, for access to the well, the well itself and waterline(s) that bring the water to the surface. At this point it would appear that the cost of getting the well up to code and placed in service to use as a fire truck filling station, would cost more than the Township Board feels would benefit the residents of the township. Rather than hold on to the easement and have the well potentially be leaking contaminants into the well and ground water, the Board feels that the easement should be vacated, giving all control of the well, back to the landowner.

No Further comments were made.

Chair Eisinger closed comments in the matter of vacating the easement of the well and waterline(s).

Chair Eisinger called for a recess at 6:23PM

The Orrock Township Board met in regular session, on Wednesday August 27, 2014 at 7:00pm, at the Orrock Town Hall, 26401 – 180th St. NW, Big Lake, Minnesota.

Chair Michael Eisinger, Supervisors Shane Berg, Charles Gotzian & Eric Peterson, Treasurer Laura Jones and Clerk Brenda Kimberly-Maas were in attendance. Town Engineer Mike Nielson and several residents were also in attendance. Vice-Chair Mike Meier, was absent

The August Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order by Chair Eisinger, at 7:00PM.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST REGULAR MEETING AGENDA: Chair Eisinger requested the addition of b. John Deere lawn tractor and c. Shed supplies, under New Business.

Motion/Second to accept the August Agenda with the additions of b. John Deere lawn tractor and c. Shed supplies under New business by: Gotzian/Peterson  
Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson  
Opposed by: None  
Abstaining: None  
Motion Carries

APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES:

Motion/Second to accept the July Regular Meeting Minutes: Gotzian/Peterson  
Approved: Berg, Eisinter, Gotzian and Peterson  
Opposed by: None  
Abstaining: None  
Motion Carries

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

Chair Eisinger asked Clerk Kimberly-Maas to give a brief overview of the special meeting. She noted that the a quorum of Supervisors met on Tuesday September 2, 2014, to appoint the Election Judges for the Primary and General Elections.

Motion/Second to accept the Special Meeting Minutes to Appoint Election Judges: Gotzian/Peterson  
Approved: Berg, Gotzian and Peterson  
Opposed by: None  
Abstaining: Eisinger  
Motion Carries

Clerk Kimberly-Maas presented the Board with the Affidavit of Personal Service notices for the Vacations of a portion of 273<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW and the Well and Waterline Easement.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

No Report made

ROADS

SNOW PLOW QUOTES:

No quotes were received. Resident and prospective vendor, Darryl Waletzko was present. The Board spoke with him about the potential of having him quote the work. Chair Eisinger noted that another vendor may be interested in plowing half of the township, in the case that Darryl doesn't have the equipment and/or personnel to take care of the whole township. Darryl was given a copy of the RFQ and stated that he would put some numbers together for consideration at the September meeting.

ROAD ENGINEER: Mike addressed the Board in regard to the crack filling. He noted that all of the usual vendors are still backlogged, due to the severity of the winter and the very wet spring and that quotes are running up to twice the normal

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amount, because of those reasons. He suggested that the Board wait until September to call for bids with a completion date of the end of October – beginning of November. Chair Eisinger felt that calling out for bids in October for the 2015 season may be a better option.

The Board tabled this for further discussion at the September meeting.

The pavement management plan still on schedule to have the final product available to the Board in October.

ROAD AUTHORITY: Supervisor Gotzian reported that there are areas that are in need of trimming and clearing of brush and tree limbs in the ROW. Specifically on 268<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW, north of CSAH4 and east of CSAH1. As well as 147<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW. The Board is requesting two(2) quotes be found to cut, clear and haul away branches/brush in these areas. They wish to have them available, for review and award at the September 2014 meeting. Darryl Waletzko stated that he would submit a quote, for that work.

He noted that residents at 16301 and 16345 – 258<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW, have placed boulders around the culvert, at the end of their driveways. Letters will be sent to these residents, asking them to remove the boulders.

A patch of the pavement needs to be made on 160<sup>th</sup> St. NW, there is shouldering on 162<sup>nd</sup> St. NW/255<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW and 162<sup>nd</sup> St. NW/255<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW that will need to be taken care of by the Township. Darryl Waletzko addressed the Board making them aware of a vendor who has very clean and sticky reclaimed bituminous, which is quite reasonably priced.

Motion/Second to allow Charles Gotzian to purchase 18 ton recycled bituminous from Twin Pines by:

Gotzian/Peterson

Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson

Opposed: None

Abstaining: None

Motion Carries

The Board discussed the possibility of closing portions of two roads during the winter months – 233<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW and 253<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW. further information needs to be obtained.

Charlie updated the Board on the four-wheeler damage that needs to be repaired by the Township. The only areal that is outside the CSAH ROW is on 235<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW and CSAH5.

There is also some undermining of 253<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW and 180<sup>th</sup> St. NW that needs to be monitored.

OLD BUSINESS:

WELL EASEMENT VACATION:

Motion/Second to adopt resolution R-20140827-2 vacating the well and waterline easement by:

Eisinger/Gotzian

Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson

Opposed by: None

Abstaining: None

Motion Carries

273<sup>RD</sup> AVE. NW VACATION:

Motion/Second to adopt resolution R-20140827-1 vacating a portion of 273<sup>rd</sup> Ave, NW by:

Eisinger/Gotzian

Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson

Opposed by: None

Abstaining: None

Motion Carries

JOINT ROAD AGREEMENT: Chair Eisinger noted that there were a couple of items that our counsel felt needed to be changed. The revised agreement had been sent to Livonia and Clerk Kimberly-Maas informed the Board that she had not yet heard if the Livonia Board was in agreement with the changes.

Tabled to September 2014 meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

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FORD TRACTOR: Chair Eisinger and Supervisor Gotzian noted that the Ford tractor no longer served a useful purpose, for the Township. Supervisor Gotzian will investigate the value of the tractor and report back to the Board in September. At which time the Board will consider whether or not to sell the tractor.  
Tabled to September 2014 meeting.

JOHN DEERE LAWN TRACTOR: Chair Eisinger noted that the John Deere lawn tractor is in need of mower blades and some other routine maintenance parts. The parts will be purchased and installed as a portion of the routine monthly Township/Townhall maintenance allotment.

SHED SUPPLIES: Supervisor Gotzian noted that there is a need for some push brooms, rakes and shovels.  
Motion/Second to allow Charles Gotzian to purchase up to but not exceed \$300 for brooms, rakes and shovels by: Eisinger/Peterson  
Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson  
Opposed: None  
Abstaining: None

Motion Carries

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

CURRENT PAY CLAIMS (AS SUBMITTED BY TREASURER):

There was a claim for the finished work on 168<sup>th</sup> and 231<sup>st</sup> that was added to the Consent Agenda. The Board reviewed the “to date” amount spent on the project. The project was coming in slightly under budget.

Motion/Second to accept the Consent Agenda as presented by: Gotzian/Peterson  
Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian, Meier and Peterson  
Opposed: None  
Abstaining: None  
Motion Carries

TREASURER’S REPORT

Motion/Second to approve the claims including the additional claim of \$92 for the recording of the vacation paperwork by: Eisinger/Gotzian  
Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson  
Opposed: None  
Abstaining: None  
Motion Carries

General Fund: \$60,226.21	Road & Bridge: \$ 732,163.55
Fire: \$67,778.38	Capital Reserve: \$139,253.24
Escrows:	
Heritage Hills: \$0	Pine Cone: \$1,066.25
Woodlands of Livonia: \$4,653.75	Savannah Meadows: \$6,612.61
Shores of Eagle Lake: \$95,567.19	Woods of Eagle Lake: \$506.82
Pine Point: \$4,500.00	Lonesome Oak: \$500.00
Thunderbuck: \$4,182.50	Horseshoe Estates: \$20,700.00
Timberquest: \$20,160.00	Deer Crossing: \$1,000.00
Donahue Estates: \$3,161.25	Jacob’s Ridge: <\$11.25>
Harmony Village: \$0.00	

Motion/Second to accept the Treasurer’s Report date ending 8/31/2014 by: Eisinger/Peterson  
Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson  
Opposed: None  
Abstaining: None  
Motion Carries

LAST CALL FOR BUSINESS: Supervisor Berg asked for pre-approval to attend the MAT Annual conference to be held in Duluth in November.

Motion/Second to allow interested Board members to attend the MAT Annual Conference to be held in Duluth, in November by: Eisinger/Gotzian

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Opposed: None  
Abstaining: None  
Motion Carries

Chair Eisinger addressed the Board and Audience scheduling a Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday September 9, 2014 at 7:00PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second to adjourn the August Monthly Meeting at 7:59PM, on Wednesday, August 27, 2014:  
Gotzian/Eisinger  
Approved: Berg, Eisinger, Gotzian and Peterson  
Abstaining: None  
Opposed: None  
Motion carried adjourning the August Monthly Meeting, on Wednesday, August 27, at 7:59PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brenda Kimberly-Maas  
Orrock Township Clerk

Accepted this 24th day of September, 2014, by the Orrock Township Board of Supervisors.

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Chairperson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk