

Vermillion Township  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
October 6, 2022

Attendance:

Supervisor Chairman Larry Ring  
Supervisor Audrey Felty  
Clerk Cindy Ladzun  
Treasurer Nick Rueger  
Attorney Leah Koch

Chairman Ring opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The supervisors reviewed the September 1, 2022 meeting minutes and Felty motioned to accept them as written. Ring seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Rueger presented the claims to the board. Felty motioned to accept the claims as presented. Ring seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried. Rueger presented a verbal summary of the treasurer's report. Felty motioned to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Ring seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Road and Bridge Update:

Grading of the wash-boards on roads and mowing ditches will be completed this fall as needed. Ring mentioned that traffic has increased due to the Highway 52 construction. Suggestions to relieve this stress were to reach out to MnDot to inquire about providing chloride and also look at the possibility of installing "no thru traffic" signs. Ring also mentioned that he would like to do a ride along to discuss problem spots with Otte Excavating prior to the arrival of winter.

Mike Slavik, Dakota County Commissioner for District 1, attended the meeting to provide updates to the board on a few items that have been completed or will be completed through-out Dakota County in the near future.

Old Business:

- 205<sup>th</sup> Street Discussion - Jenna Fabish, Dakota County Design Engineer attended the meeting to address questions related to the possible closure of the small section of 205<sup>th</sup> Street between County Road 47 & Goodwin Avenue. Jim Wollmering, a resident of Marshan Township phoned into the clerk and relayed that he is not in favor of closing this small section of 205<sup>th</sup> Street. Ring explained that it's not a simple vote by the town board to close or shut down the road as a petition would have to be created by land owners before the board could proceed further. Koch also explained that per MN State Statues the petition would need to include eight voters who own land within three miles of the road. The expense of actually removing the road would be covered by Dakota County, however the township would end up incurring all expenses relating to the closure of this road through the process of resident notification, the public hearing as well as all attorney costs related to this project. Slavik noted that it's a possibility that Dakota County could help in the costs that the township would incur if the township did indeed end up voting to

remove the road.

- Highway 52 Access from 170<sup>th</sup> Street - Felty motioned that the township would be in favor of closing the access to westbound 170<sup>th</sup> Street from Hwy 52. Ring seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried.
- Audit Review - Rueger explained that the board has taken steps since December of 2020 and the mistakes that Lewis & Kisch pointed out were honest mistakes. It was noted that no evidence of fraud was found and it was further noted that adequate procedures have been put in place by the current board for future board members to follow.
- Town Hall Furnace Replacement - Felty motioned to allow the purchase of a replacement furnace for the town hall at a reasonable price. Ring seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

#### New Business:

- Water Resource Management Ordinance - Koch explained that Mark Ryan of Dakota County along with the Vermillion River Joint Powers Organization proposed an updated version of the model ordinance for the township to incorporate into their ordinances. Koch reviewed and made updates to this model ordinance to make it further fit with the township's current ordinances. Ring motioned to set the date for the Public Hearing on November 3<sup>rd</sup> during the regularly scheduled meeting. Felty seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried.
- Comprehensive Plan Amendments - The amendment for Empire Township (Enebak Construction) as well as the two amendments for the City of Rosemount (Akron 42, LLC and SKB Environmental) were presented to the board for review. The town board reviewed and have no comment on all three amendments that were presented.
- Work Sessions - Discussion was had to see if it would be beneficial for the township to hold work sessions. Koch explained that work sessions would still be considered a public meeting and notice would have to be given including the topic(s) of discussion, however no motions can be passed. It is more about learning and education for the town board. A few possible topics of discussion included; job description and/or duties for board members, reorganizing or reframing the township ordinances, plans for the ARPA money and creating a checklist for buildables or parcel splits. The supervisors will think of topics they would like to discuss and let the clerk know if a work session should be held or if these topics should be brought up for discussion at a regular scheduled meeting.

#### Other Business:

Gary Stoudt attended the meeting to speak on behalf of property owner, Rich Jacoby Jr. who would like to put an addition on a shed located on his property. It was noted that the shed would be used as additional storage for the property owner and would not be used for business. The town board advised that the property owner reach out to the Building Inspector, Mark Ceminsky to process the required paperwork to obtain a permit for this addition.

Resident Craig Ohern attended the meeting to discuss the progress happening at his property. He mentioned that he removed more vehicles and that he got the grass cut and the roof is down. Ring suggested another on-site meeting to see the progress first hand and Ohern agreed to meet Ring, Felty and Ceminsky on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

James Sathra inquired if there is restitution money coming back to the township from Maryann. Koch explained that she has been in communication with her contact at the Department of Justice and further explained how restitution is paid out. Rueger mentioned that three restitution payments from the US Treasury have been received this year as part of what the Department of Justice had received and they are shown on the treasurer's report as receipts. Ken Kasel said he never heard it mentioned that a restitution payment had been received and Loren Kahl wants to know where the money came from. Felty noted that Reuger or one of the supervisors will specifically point out when a restitution payment is made. Ring mentioned that on the receipt section of the treasurer's report this month there is a payment of \$1,095.06 and it shows it came from the US Treasury as a restitution payment.

Adjourn

At 8:58 PM Felty motioned to adjourn. Ring seconded the motion; all were in favor and the motion carried.

Cynthia Ladzun  
Vermillion Township Clerk

**VERMILLION TOWNSHIP RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

**TREASURERS REPORT**

10/6/2022

**VERMILLION BANK ACCOUNT R&B NOW ACCOUNTS (PUBLIC)**

PREVIOUS BALANCE ON

9/30/2022

\$ 331,310.65

**RECEIPTS (INCOME)**

DEPOSIT DATE	NAME	DESCRIPTION/TYPE	CHECK #	CK. DATE	
9/8/2022	LADZUN, BELLEPAR HOMES	HOUSE SIGN, GREEN	8734, 7476	8/30, 8/27	\$ 80.00
9/19/2022	SIEBEN, GIRGEN, BROCHMAN	HOUSE SIGN, GREEN	3926, 3028, 1497	8/27/2022	\$ 120.00
9/19/2022	JERRY SAUBER	SEWER PERMIT	22,835	8/29/2022	\$ 300.00
9/27/2022	U S TREASURY	RESTITUTION	4039 39800886	9/22/2022	\$ 1,095.06
9/28/2022	TUCKER, K	PERMIT	ACCESSORY BUILDING	9/21/2022	\$ 1,305.85
9/28/2022	M. MARTHALER	PERMIT	WINDOW	9/01, 9/8	\$ 86.00
9/28/2022	KUMMER, BRAD	PERMIT	ACCESSORY BUILDING	9/16/2022	\$ 1,809.07
9/28/2022	MATTHEES, L	PERMIT	RESIDE/WINDOWS	8/31/	\$ 437.00
INTEREST PAID 30 DAYS					\$ 337.54

**DISBURSEMENTS (EXPENSES)**

DATE	CHECK NUMBER	NAME	DESCRIPTION/TYPE	
9/9/2022	2015	BEAVER CREEK	STORM, MCCLINTOCK, HARRIS, OHERN	(\$3,809.00)
9/30/2022	2016	CAMPBELL KNUITSON	GENERAL VT WORK	(\$874.50)
9/13/2022	2017	DAKOTA CTY P T & R	VT SHARE OF TRUTH IN TAXATION	(\$163.82)
9/9/2022	2032	KIMMES ENTERPRISES LLC	AUGUST WORK (PARTIAL MONTH)	(\$1,194.00)
9/8/2022	2030	MN DEPT OF LABOR&IND.	QUARTLY PAYMENT BUILDING CODE	(\$472.57)
9/8/2022	2018	M R SIGN	HOUSE SIGNS SEA.	(\$185.60)
9/8/2022	2019	OTTE EXCAVATING	GRADE VT ROADS	(\$5,766.00)
9/12/2022	2020	SAFETY SIGN	INSTALL & REMOVE VT SIGNS	(\$5,475.00)
9/9/2022	2021	VERIZON WIRELESS	VT CELL	(\$100.20)
9/13/2022	2022	XCEL ENERGY	VT UTILITY	(\$15.61)
9/19/2022	2023	CYNTHIA LADZUN	ELECTION JUDGE	(\$140.00)
9/28/2022	2024	CHRISTINA HAAN	ELECTION JUDGE	(\$986.25)
9/8/2022	2025	JASON ANDERSON	ELECTION JUDGE	(\$387.50)
9/14/2022	2026	JOAN MOES	ELECTION JUDGE	(\$416.25)
9/12/2022	2028	SAHRENE ROBERTS	ELECTION JUDGE	(\$97.50)
9/26/2022	2029	R JEAN WHIPKEY	ELECTION JUDGE	(\$380.63)
ENDING BALANCE				\$ 316,416.74

**CHECKS NOT CASHED**

NAME	INVOICE DATE	ACCT. NUMBER	ITEM	CK. NUMBER	
PEG SIEREMALER	8/9/2022	20688	ELECTION JUDGE	2027	(\$380.00)
SOLBERG	7/31/2022	20688	1" CLASS 5	2031	(\$4,407.56)

