March 1, 2022

To Hawley Township Officers

Re : the Minutes of the January 11, 2022 Hawley Township Meeting

I spoke out with a question at the January 11, 2022 meeting. I questioned whether 12th Avenue South meets the legal definition of a Minimum Maintenance Road because the Minnesota Association of Townships states :

**“ … attempting to designate a road receiving even moderate amounts of traffic ( a Minimum Maintenance Road) could jeopardize the designation and the protections it offers. If there are homes on the road, a town board should not designate it as a minimum-maintenance road because it likely receives more than “intermittent” traffic,…”**

The Meeting notes, which were approved, unread to the public, make it appear that my question was on who has the authority to close roads which if a misunderstanding of my question.

My question was not “can you close the road or not.” My request was to consult the county attorney as to whether 12th avenue meets the legal requirements to be officially called a Minimum Maintenance Road, taking into account what the above words from the MAT state.

Thank You-

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