

Monthly Board Meeting
Minutes
January 14, 2015

TOWN of BIG LAKE
"Sherburne County's First 5-Member Township Board"
P.O. Box 75, Big Lake, Minnesota 55309

On Wednesday, January 14, 2015 the Big Lake Board of Supervisors met at the Big Lake Town Hall located in the Big Lake Lions Park Community Center at 21960 County Road #5, Big Lake Township, Sherburne County, State of Minnesota. The meeting was tape recorded for transcribing purposes only.

Chairman Hofer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 4 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken by the Chairman.

Board Members Present: Bob Hofer, Chairman
 Norm Leslie, Supervisor
 Bruce Aubol, Supervisor
 Steve Pflughhaar, Supervisor
 Ken Warneke, Treasurer
 Laura Hayes, Clerk
 LaDonna Hensel, Deputy Clerk

Board Members Absent: Larry Alfords, Supervisor

All present stood and recited the pledge of allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Supervisor Leslie motioned to approve the agenda. Supervisor Pflughhaar seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda as presented.

Supervisor Pflughhaar motioned to approve consent agenda items. The consent agenda consisted of: a) Approval of Minutes: Regular Monthly Board Meeting 12-10-14. b) Call the Quarterly Meeting of the Sherburne County Association of Townships Meeting January 21, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Big Lake Town Hall. c) Call Annual Joint Meeting Big Lake City, Town of Big Lake, Orrock Township, Sherburne County and Big Lake School Dist. 727 January 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at Big Lake City Hall. d) Call Joint Meeting with City of Big Lake EDA to discuss the future of the Phase 2 Big Lake Industrial Park, Monday, Feb. 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at City of Big Lake. e) Adopt Resolutions 2015-01 Accepting Donations to the Big Lake Fire Department. f) Approve List of Election Judges for March 10, 2015 Township Election. g) Approve Resolution 2015-02 Setting the Absentee Ballot Board for the March 10, 2015 Town Election. h) Set Date for Local Board of Appeal & Equalization: Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Big Lake Town Hall. i) Approve the Big Lake Spud Fest On-Sale Liquor License for the Big Lake Fire Relief Assoc. Dance; and, approve use of the Big Lake Fire Hall for the Dance, August 1, 2015. j) Renew 2015 Big Lake Chamber of Commerce Membership; and,

participation in the 2015 Big Lake Chamber Business Expo. Sunday, March 1, 2015. k) Approve List of Claims (Disbursement List will be Received at Meeting). Supervisor Aubol seconded. All present were in favor. The motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE CLERK

a) Other-Updates-Meetings – Big Lake Fire Chief, Paul Nemes explained the donations received tonight under the consent agenda. He advised the \$5,500. donation from the Knights of Columbus was a specified use at their request. \$5,000. will be used to purchase a set of lifting air bags for Ladder 1. The bags are capable of lifting 15 to 18 tons. The remaining \$500. will be used toward a new style accountability system that will be compatible with what Big Lake Fire Departments mutual aid departments use. There have been 6 calls so far in 2015. Sunday, January 25 the Big Lake Fire Department and Memorial Blood Center will be holding their annual blood drive from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Big Lake Fire Hall.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

TOWN ROADS

1) Other-Updates-Meetings – Treasurer Warneke advised normal snow clean-up has been happening. A couple of signs have been installed and “bump” signs have been installed on 209th Avenue.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Hofer advised he had nothing to report at this time.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Other-Updates-Meetings – Supervisor Aubol advised Big Lake Community Education held its first meeting in 2015. 2014 participation numbers were down at 14,000; previous high participation numbers were closer to 19,000. A privately funded musical, Cinderella, will be put on at Big Lake High School by the students. The winter concert by Tonic Sol-fa was a success, both by attendance and financially.

The January 12, 2015 BLEDA meeting has been rescheduled to January 22, 2015.

Supervisor Leslie advised he is gathering quotes for chain link fence and a backstop for the ball field. He is also working on quotes for grading the property and constructing a restroom facility that could utilize the existing septic system. The Sherburne County Zoning Office recommended checking with the DNR and other state park offices to see what they have for restroom facilities.

Supervisor Pflgebraar recommended having the Big Lake GRRL Branch Manager, Terry Pflgebraar give the same presentation to the Big Lake Town Board that she gave to the

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Big Lake City Council tonight. Big Lake Township contributes financially to the building costs for the Big Lake Library. Clerk Hayes will schedule with Terry Pflughar

BUSINESS FROM THE TREASURER

a) Monthly Report –Treasurer Warneke advised the new accounting program, CTAS 8 has been installed and is in use by the Clerk and Deputy Clerk. Treasurer Warneke reviewed the cash balance statement for the end of 2014. Approximate total government and escrow funds were \$1,560,000. after tonight's claims. Reports will be available in full after the 2014 books are closed. Treasurer Warneke advised there are no changes to the Township investments. Supervisor Leslie motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor Leslie to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Hayes, Clerk

Robert Hofer, Chairman