

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

On Wednesday, February 8, 2017 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.

Chairman Hofer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 2 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken.

Board Members Present: Bob Hofer, Chairman
 Steve Pflieghaar, Supervisor
 Norm Leslie, Supervisor
 Bruce Aubol, Supervisor

Staff Members Present: Ken Warneke, Treasurer
 Brenda Kimberly-Maas, Clerk

Jayme Swenson, Deputy Clerk

Board Members Absent: Larry Alford, Supervisor
Staff Members Absent:

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

Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda as presented, made by Supervisor Pflieghaar and seconded by Supervisor Aubol. All were in favor and the motion prevailed. The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda as presented.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented made by Supervisor Leslie. The Consent Agenda consisted of: a) Approval of the Minutes: Regular Monthly Meeting 01/25/2017. b) Adopt Resolution 2017-03 Appointing Absentee Ballot Board and Resolution 2017-04 Accepting Donation from Eddy Foundation to Fire Department c) Approve list of Claims (Disbursement list provided in meeting packet). Supervisor Pflieghaar seconded. All present were in favor and the motion prevailed.

Open Forum No Business brought forth.

CLERK BUSINESS

The Township was presented a petition to create a cart way to a land-locked parcel 10-110-1203 owned by Sally Cavalier. The petition was submitted to the Town's attorney, Peter Tiede, for review and direction on how to proceed. Peter did research to calculate the required escrow funds which Sally needs to provide before the Town moves forward with the process. The Board reviewed the information presented. Motion to approve Resolution 2017-02 To Require Posting of Security Prior to Proceeding with Cavalier Cartway Petition, made by Supervisor Pflieghaar and seconded by Supervisor Aubol. All were in favor and the motion prevailed.

There is a surveillance well located on Township property at 20150 166th Ave. NW, which is monitored by the USGS. The manner in which the USGS will be monitoring the well will become more sophisticated and use wireless technology. Supervisor Leslie wished to have the full Board review the Agreement presented to the Town by USGS. The Board reviewed the

Agreement and made some discussion for better understanding of it. Motion to approve entering into Five-Year Well Monitoring Agreement with USGS made by Supervisor Leslie and seconded by Supervisor Pflieghaar. All were in favor and the motion prevailed.

Clerk Kimberly-Maas asked for volunteers to staff the Town's booth at the Big Lake Chamber of Commerce Expo on Sunday March 5, 2017. Clerk Kimberly-Maas and Deputy Clerk Swenson will be on site for the whole event. Supervisors Aubol and Leslie will help set up and staff the booth from 11:00AM – 12:30PM. Supervisors Pflieghaar and Hofer will staff it from 12:30PM to 2PM and break the booth down.

No Further Business from the Clerk.

OTHER UPDATES MEETINGS BUSINESS

Clean up Committee will meet at the Town of Big Lake Hall on Thursday February 9, 2017 at 9:00AM to discuss 2017 Event.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

TOWN ROADS

Township Engineer, Ross Abel had no business for the Board.

Reported by Chair Hofer and Supervisor Pflieghaar, Highway 25 Corridor Coalition received \$25,000 grant from BNSF, the Township, as the Fiscal Agent, received the ACH transfer from Sherburne County. City of Becker and Becker Township have also joined the Coalition. There has not been a formal adoption of a budget by the coalition, to date.

Clerk Kimberly-Maas was asked to send the CSAH5 preconstruction meeting information to Board members who had not yet received it.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Hofer had no additional information for the Board.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Pflieghaar reported the County EDA met. Of note from the meeting were two low interest, twenty-year loans granted to local businesses, Sand Dunes Auto and MPI.

Supervisor Leslie met with a member of the school district on the need for the ball fields at Lion's Park. He was told the High School would need them for the 2017 season, but it was unclear if there would be a need for them once the new fields were done on school property. Supervisor Leslie was looking for input from the Board on two items: a. upgrading the little league field for 2017 with the installation of benches and addition of lime to the turf. This could be an Eagle Scout project. b. Future installation of a dog park at Lion's Park. Supervisor Leslie needs to do additional research to present to the Board, if they feel this would be appropriate use of the open land at Lion's Park. The Board felt this would be good use of the land which is currently unused and asked supervisor Leslie to bring back the information he discovers.

Supervisor Aubol had not yet had any committee meetings.

TREASURER BUSINESS

Treasurer Warneke reported that not much change has taken place since December. 2016 ending cash balance is approximately \$1,160,000.00. January cash balance \$1,036,000. Treasurer Warneke advised the Town had not received any January bills for snow removal from vendors. He also noted progress was being made on Year End reporting items. Supervisor Leslie motioned to approve the Treasurer's report and seconded by Supervisor Pflieghaar. All present were in favor and the motion prevailed.

OTHER BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD

No further business brought before the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor Leslie to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Pflieger seconded. All were in favor. Motion prevails. The meeting adjourned at 8:05PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Kimberly-Maas, Clerk

Robert Hofer, Chairman