

Second Monthly Board Meeting
Minutes
March 23, 2016

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

On Wednesday, March 23, 2016, the Big Lake Board of Supervisors met at the Big Lake Town Hall located in the Big Lake Lions Park 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 by the chairperson.

Board Members Present:

- Bob Hofer, Chairman
- Norm Leslie, Supervisor
- Steve Pflieghaar, Supervisor
- Bruce Aubol, Supervisor
- Ken Warneke, Treasurer
- Laura Hayes, Clerk
- Samantha Peterson, Deputy Clerk

Board Members Absent: Larry Alford, 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 Second Monthly Meeting as presented. Supervisor Pflieghaar seconded. All present were in favor.

Supervisor Pflieghaar motioned to approve consent agenda items: a) Approve Claims and List of Claims. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All present were in favor.

Bob Hofer took the Oath of Office for Town Supervisor, Seat #4.
Norm Leslie took the Oath of Office for Town Supervisor, Seat #5.

BUSINESS FROM THE CLERK

a) Tom Gerold/Alive! Lutheran Church – CUP to Build and Operate a Church – Tom Gerold appeared before the Board to present Alive! Lutheran Church’s request to build and operate a church within 1-2 years after property purchase and turn lane contingency is complete. Tom Gerold provided a site map showing where the turn lanes will be on County Road 11. He further noted, a previously designed emergency access onto 187th Avenue had been removed from the plan. Supervisor Aubol motioned to recommend approval of the CUP request. Supervisor Pflieghaar seconded. All present were in favor.

b) Other-Updates-Meetings –

1) Clerk Hayes advised the Legacy Foundation is looking for volunteers to work at the Music in the Park events, specifically the Legacy Grill. She provided a list of concert dates. Supervisors will rank their preferences and advise Clerk Hayes if they are interested in volunteering.

2) Clerk Hayes advised the MAT Legal Short Course will be held in Burnsville, MN on April 21. Treasurer Warneke advised he would be attending.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

TOWN ROADS

1) Other-Meetings-Updates – Treasurer Warneke advised Jeff Rhodes has been doing street sweeping; and, crackfilling. Chairman Hofer advised he has notified Jeff Rhodes the Township is only sweeping intersections and sweeping to ditches. Mailbox replacements have been picked up at the Town Hall for the posts damaged on 149th Street. Town Engineer, Ross Abel advised he has prepared seal coat and patching/overlay advertisements for bids., bids will be accepted until April 21 presented to the Board to consider and award at the April 27 Second Monthly Board Meeting. Estimated project remain as presented last month. Supervisor Pflieghaar advised there are 3 very large potholes north of County Road 35 on 156th Avenue; and, at the corner of 215th Avenue 152nd Street is a very large washout near the road culvert.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Hofer advised he will be attending the Hwy 25 Corridor Coalition Meeting on Friday, March 25. On the agenda is review of proposed adjustments/clarifications stemming from Big Lake Township and Sherburne county input from legal staff. Chairman Hofer read Township Attorney, Peter Tiede's comments and recommendations to the Hwy 25 JPA. Big Lake Township has not adopted and signed the JPA yet.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Leslie presented a quote for ballfield dugout construction from Big Lake Lumber for supplies and Chris Brezinka for labor. A photo was provided to the Board for reference of what the dugouts would look like in general. There will be an extension of the overhang so that water coming off the roof doesn't run directly onto the fence. Supervisor Pflieghaar motioned to accept the quote and move ahead with dugout construction. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All present were in favor.

Supervisor Leslie advised the BLEDA met last week. The BLEDA has decided to list approx. 11-12 of the properties they hold with a realtor to try to sell. The EDA must determine the price they want for the properties. Supervisor Leslie noted there might be a meeting between the City and Township to discuss. Additionally, a 2016 Goal and Action Plan has been developed and narrowed by Hanna Klimmek, Community Development Director. 3 Goal have been determined. 1) Market EDA Properties for Sale. 2) Retain and Assist the Expansion of Existing Businesses. 3) Retain and Create Big Lake Cultural and Community Events.

Supervisor Aubol advised there was no County Planning Advisory Board meeting scheduled for March. The Board would convene in April.

BUSINESS FROM THE TREASURER

Treasurer Warneke advised he had nothing specific to report.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor Leslie to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Pfliegaar seconded. All present were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Hayes, Clerk

Robert Hofer, Chairman