

Second Monthly Board Meeting
Minutes
April 22, 2015

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

On Wednesday, April 22, 2015, 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. The meeting was tape recorded for transcribing purposes only.

Vice-Chairman Alfords called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 9 people in the audience at the start of the meeting. Roll call was taken by the Vice-Chairperson.

Board Members Present: Larry Alfords, Vice-Chairman
 Norm Leslie, Supervisor
 Steve Pflughhaar, Supervisor
 Bruce Aubol, Supervisor
 Ken Warneke, Treasurer
 Laura Hayes, Clerk
 LaDonna Hensel, Deputy Clerk

Board Members Absent: Bob Hofer, Chairman

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 agenda. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All present were in favor. The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda as presented.

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

BUSINESS FROM THE CLERK

a) Alive Lutheran Church/CUP to Build and Operate a Church in the future, 1-3 years – Tom Gerold, representative of Alive Lutheran Church appeared before the Board to request a CUP to build and operate a church at the intersection of County Road 11 and 187th Avenue NW. The area is located in the special river district. The church is fundraising to make the purchase of the property and is requesting the CUP to be sure the church would be allowed to locate to this site. The future church would be constructed for a capacity of 400 with 100 parking stalls. Supervisor Leslie motioned to recommend approval of the CUP as requested. Supervisor Pflughhaar seconded. All present were in favor.

b) Jack Povlock & Jim Larson/Variance to add onto an Existing Detached Garage – Jack Povlock and Jim Larson appeared before the Board to present their request for a 36' Variance in setback from the centerline of 155th Street for an addition on an existing garage. The required setback from the centerline is 100'. The addition would be in line with the existing garage which is 64' from the centerline. The Board reviewed the sketch plan with Jim Larson. Supervisor Pfliegaar motioned to recommend approval of the variance as requested. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All present were in favor.

c) Sandhill Acres/Preliminary Standard Plat Approval –
10-121-2100 - xxxxx – 172nd Street & 205TH Avenue, Big Lake MN 55309
N ½ of N ½ of NW ¼ Except the Desc Parcels
Sec. 21, Twp 33, Rge 27 Total Acres 14.98

Supervisor Leslie motioned to approve the preliminary plat of Sandhill Acres Standard Plat consisting of 4 lots, as recommended by the Planning Commission and approved by the County Board of Commissioners with the following conditions:

1. The Developer shall pay a Park Dedication Fee of \$800. Per residential lot (\$3,200. Total).
2. The Developer shall enter into a Developer's Agreement with the County Attorney's office, if required by the County Attorney.
3. Preliminary Plat Approval is valid for two years unless a 2-year extension is granted.

Supervisor Aubol seconded the motion. All present voted in favor.

d) Sherburne County Planning & Zoning/Comments on Outbuildings – The Board reviewed the Sherburne County Planning & Zoning Letter dated March 31, 2015 regarding Outbuildings. The Board reviewed the 10 item outline of the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. The Board requested that item 9 be changed to allow floor drains.

e) Other-Updates-Meetings –

Treasurer Warneke advised it has come to the Township's attention that when Rosecrest Second Addition was replatted from the original Rosecrest Addition, the drainage and utility easements following the original lot lines was not vacated. In 1995 a petition to vacate these was presented, but was not acted on. The current property owners of Lot 1, Block 1 Rosecrest Second Addition have listed their property for sale and need to have the drainage and utility easements vacated to give clear title to their property. Clerk Hayes proposed the date of Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to hold the public hearing for the vacation request. Supervisor Leslie motioned to set the date and time as proposed. Supervisor Aubol seconded. All present were in favor.

Clerk Hayes presented a quote received for painting several areas inside of the Big Lake Town Hall and the playground merry-go-round. Two Guys Painting, Rob Swanson submitted a quote of \$1,200. For the Town Hall and \$1,100. For multiple color painting of the merry-go-round or \$800. For single color. Supervisor Pfliegaar motioned to approve painting the interior areas of the Town Hall and the multiple color painting of the merry-go-round. Supervisor Leslie seconded. All present were in favor.

Clerk Hayes advised Supervisor's Leslie and Alford's, Treasurer Warneke and herself would be attending the Minnesota Association of Townships Legal Short Course tomorrow at Rockwood Conference Center in Otsego.

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

TOWN ROADS

1) Other-Meetings-Updates – Treasurer Warneke advised the spring road tour was conducted last week. It was completed in 2-5 hour days. No serious break ups or problems with the roads were noted. Snow plow damage touch ups were minor. Repair and maintenance lists for contractors will be created. A sign order has been received and couple of the signs have been installed. The Road Committee will meet with the Township Engineer to determine what road projects can be done this year.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

There was nothing to report on at this time.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

EDA Update - Supervisor Pflughaar advised there is some conversation of a business locating to the industrial park.

Fire Board Update – Supervisor Pflughaar advised Centracare is moving through the steps towards a \$140K renovation at the Big Lake Fire Hall. The renovation would be to convert and expand the north side ambulance bay to include ambulance crew quarters. This would include a metered utility service specific to the ambulance area. There was discussion regarding illegal burns/grass fires. Tickets and fines are issued by the County and paid to the County. The fire department will work to get a portion of fines/fees to recover some of the department's costs in responding. There is continued discussion regarding to the need to replace the cement pad in front of the truck bays. The quotes received for replacement are approximately \$50k. This is an unbudgeted expense.

Supervisor Leslie advised yesterday, several members of the Lion's Club: Jerry Bebeau, Jim Wendt, Gene Earney, Chuck Martinson, Brian Kurowski and his son, Dan Olson, Norm Leslie and Don Kampa worked to spread 100 yards of wood fiber chips around the playground and replaced posts around the park perimeter. Surveying crews were also at the park marking the ballfield, outfield and cellular tower sites. Bill Bronder from the Sherburne County Water and Soil officer has been to the site and has confirmed there is no encroachment into the lowland/wetland areas of the park.

Supervisor Aubol advised the community education performance of Cinderella is playing this weekend at the Big Lake High School.

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BUSINESS FROM THE TREASURER

a) Other–Updates–Meetings – Treasurer Warneke advised the next to last Certificate of Deposit matured and was deposited into the savings account. There is no significant change in the financial reports.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Supervisor Leslie to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor Pflighaar seconded. All present were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:48p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Hayes, Clerk

Robert Hofer, Chairman