



PUBLIC HEARING-INTENT TO FRANCHISE  
Regular Board Meeting  
Wednesday July 14, 2021 6:00 PM

The Town of Big Lake Board of Supervisors met in regular session, at 6:00 PM, on Wednesday July 14, 2021 at the Town of Big Lake Town Hall, located in the Big Lake Township's Lions Park Community Center, at 21960 County Road 5 NW, Big Lake Township, Sherburne County, State of Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chair Bruce Aubol and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Vice-Chair Dean Brenteson, Supervisor Larry Alfords, Supervisor Norm Leslie, Supervisor Mark Hedstrom, Treasurer Kenneth Warneke, Clerk Brenda Kimberly-Maas, Deputy Clerk Jayme Swenson were in attendance.

**Approval of Meeting Agenda**

Motion/Second to accept the presented Agenda by: Leslie/Brenteson. Approved by: Alfords, Aubol, Brenteson, Hedstrom, and Leslie. Motion Prevailed. The meeting proceeded in accordance with presented Agenda.

**PUBLIC HEARING – INTENT TO FRANCHISE**

Chair Aubol declared the Public Hearing open at 6:01PM.

Clerk Kimberly-Maas informed the Board she had received an application from Midco. There was a typo on the RESPONSE to item (10) in the application. The first named Township was corrected to read "Becker Township", instead of Big Lake Township. There was no public in attendance to speak during the Public Hearing.

Motion to accept the application with the correction by: Supervisor Leslie. Seconded by: Supervisor Hedstrom. Approved by: Alfords, Aubol, Brenteson, Hedstrom, and Leslie. Motion Prevailed.

Motion to close the Public Hearing by: Supervisor Alfords. Seconded by: Supervisor Brenteson. Approved by: Alfords, Aubol, Brenteson, Hedstrom, and Leslie. Motion Prevailed.  
Hearing closed at 6:03PM.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda consisted of: A) Approval of Minutes; Regular meeting 07/14/2021. B) Approve List of Claims & Payroll paid 07/14/2021. Motion/Second to Approve Consent Agenda by: Brenteson/Alfords. Approved by: Alfords, Aubol, Brenteson, Hedstrom, and Leslie. None Opposed. Motion Prevailed.

**Open Forum**

No business brought forth.

**Regular Business**

No business.

## **Roads**

### **Overlay Construction Update**

Ken Warneke reported that most of the overlays had been completed. Revised Plat of Eagle Lake Park was done today, Huckleberry Hideaway was yet to be overlaid. Restoration of the right of ways will be completed shortly after the overlays are finished.

### **Knick Knack Knoll Temporary Cul-de-sacs & 180<sup>th</sup> Street Extension**

The two temporary cul-de-sacs (183<sup>rd</sup> St and 181<sup>st</sup> St.) have been paved by ASTECH. Clint Corrow has had the draft of the permanent easement agreement for the extension of 180<sup>th</sup> Street to be looked over by his legal counsel, for a few weeks. Staff has reached out to see if there are any concerns from Clint or his counsel. No response has been heard. Supervisor Brenteson will reach out to Clint on the matter.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Warneke informed the Board the Town received the first 2021 property tax disbursement (30%), including the settlement from Big Lake Industrial Park. The one-time annual solar settlement was also in this payment. Of note was the negative balance seen in the General Capital fund. This is due to rebates that are made to tax payors. A rebate may occur if a home is lost to a disaster like a fire.

Ken reviewed the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements with the Board. The town treasury ending balance (less escrows) was \$2,428,631.01 Ken noted that balance is the largest he recalls seeing, but it will be back to a lower amount as soon as the overlay contract invoice is received and paid. *Financial Reports are retained as part of the official Minutes and available in the Clerk's Office.* Motion/Second to approve the Treasurer's report by: Hedstrom/Leslie. Approved by: Aubol, Alfords, Brenteson, Hedstrom and Leslie. None opposed. Motion Prevailed.

## **Business from the Board – Committee Reports/Updates**

Supervisor Leslie informed the Board the park's irrigation was fixed and the grass is finally greening up.

Supervisor Aubol will be attending the County's Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting where the Gullickson Addition Plat will be reviewed..

Supervisor Brenteson reminded the Board that if they know of a good project manager, the CMRP Joint Powers Board is still looking for one, to help with the 2030 Framework project.

Supervisor Alfords reported he was called out to inspect a report of noxious weeds in one of the developments. He and Mitch Glines, the County weed inspector, investigated the report and found Wild Parsnip, Common Tansy, and Queen Anne's Lace. The right of way affected will not be mown during the growing season and the weeds will be chemically treated in September.

Supervisor Hedstrom congratulated the Board on the award from the Soil & Water Conservation District Board and the removal of Birch Lake from the impaired waters listing.

## **Announcements:**

Big Lake Area Food Shelf will be distributing food packages on Monday July 19<sup>th</sup> in the town

hall parking lot. Supervisor Hedstrom asked to have the event listed on the Township website  
2021 Annual Meeting will RECONVENE on Wednesday September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM.

**Adjournment:**

Motion/Second to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 6:24 PM by: Leslie/Brenteson. All Supervisors present approved. Motion Prevailed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Kimberly-Maas, Clerk and Jayme Swenson, Deputy Clerk

Accepted this 28th day of July 2021, by the Town of Big Lake Board of Supervisors.

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Bruce Aubol, Board Chair

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brenda Kimberly-Maas, Town Clerk