

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY REMOTE MEETING
BAY LAKE TOWN HALL
June 9, 2020 - 7:00pm**

Present: Don Hales, Jon Steblay, Carol Pundt, Justin Smith, RaeJean Anderson

Absent: None

Community members present: Dan Gabler, Roger Dientz, Kevin & Holly Abfalter

Don Hales called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Justin Smith.

A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the amended agenda moving concerns by visiting residents of the Township after the minutes of the previous Board meeting is read and approved. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Justin Smith and seconded by Jon Steblay to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on May 8, 2020, All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Dan Gabler and his next door neighbor, Roger Dientz, attended the meeting to discuss with the Board the possibility of Dan selling part of his lake side property to Roger. It was recommend that Dan should go back to Crow Wing County Land Services to apply for variance request application.

Sheila Mason Letter: Justin Smith received a letter from Shelia Mason saying her neighbor's dock is angled into her lots riparian zone. She feels the placement of his dock and boat lifts are not allowing them to use all of their lakefront/riparian property. Justin met on site with Sheila & her husband Todd, as well as her neighbors, Kevin & Holly Abfalter, to discuss the situation. Upon further evaluation, it appears the dock is not in Sheila's riparian zone, but does fall within the township easement's riparian zone. Kevin offered to change the layout of the dock, and will move the pontoon lift that currently resides on Sheila's side of his dock over to the opposite side of his dock. That change will result in about a 15 feet shift further away from Sheila's. This arrangement seems to be agreeable to both parties. The township is hopeful this situation is now resolved.

A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the Treasurers Report subject to audit. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The ending balance as of May 31, 2020 was \$60,448.67. The Township has not received the June 1st billing from Garrison Fire and Rescue in the amount of \$17,970.00 which will be paid at the July monthly Board meeting.

A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the claims as submitted (ck# 10457 - 10472 ET-M-6-20, ET-C-6-20, ET-S-6-20 and ET-P-6-20) in the amount of \$9,232.62. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Road Report: Don Hales gave the Board an updated road expense report. Crack sealing the roads will be held off till next spring. The Board decided to pay for the product, which has already been purchased by the contractor. Don has received several phone calls regarding beaver problems. There is a culvert problem on Cottage Hill road.

Driveway Culvert Discussion: Don Hales will work with the Township attorney to update the Township's present culvert policy to be presented to the Board at the July Board meeting.

Clearwater Point Road Fence Issue/Howard Yesnes: After inspection of the fence and receiving an opinion from the Minnestoa Township's Association Lawyer, the Board decided the damage to the fence is not the Township's responsibility. The fence in is the road right of way very close to the road. With the unusually heavy snow accumulation this last winter the fence was damaged by snow pushing up against the fence as the road was being plowed. There was no blade contact to the fence from the snow plow. Don Hales will send a letter to Mr. Yesnes regarding the Board's discussion.

Mail Boxes on End of Eaglewood Road: No discussion was held

Variance Requests: A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith defer to the County the variance request from Gary J. Perkins Revocable Trust. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Cemetery Report: Jon has information regarding columbariums. He will give it to Don. Justin Smith said there has been some ground settling around burial sites. Jon will notify the contractor.

Town Hall Update: Justin replaced the florescent ceiling bulbs, but, some of the lighting fixtures may need mechanical replacements.

Donation Requests-Crow Wing County Historical Society, Crow Wing County Fair Asso., Crisis Line and Referral Service: No action taken by the Board.

Township Property and Liability Insurance was reviewed by the Board. Each Board member was given a copy of the information.

In Person vs. Remote Monthly Board Meetings: The Board will continue in person meetings.

Water Safety/Wake Boats Discussion: Don Hales told the Board he has received several complaints regarding the use of wake boats on the lake. One instance was when water from a wake boat went over the platform of a pontoon boat endangering a family. The Sheriff has been notified of the problem. There was discussion regarding a public meeting, but, having a meeting made more sense for the Bay Lake Association to conduct. RaeJean Anderson felt having a public meeting would be a waste of tax payers time and money (approximate cost to the Township would be \$850 for Board attendance along with additional costs of publishing notices). If the Bay Lake Association does not want to enforce this issue, the Township should not get involved with water issues, since the Township has no legal enforcement authority.

October Board Meeting: RaeJean Anderson will not be able to attend the October Board meeting. She will coordinate deposits with Carol Pundt.

Recycling: Nothing to report.

Bay Lake Runtilla Insurance Request-August 2020 Discussion: There has been no response regarding the Board's insurance request for the Bay Lake Runtilla. Justin Smith will contact Phil Rollins to see if the event will be held this year.

Other Business to Come Before The Board/Public Comment: Don Hales told the Board there may be a change of ownership at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge. Along with the change of ownership there are plans to make changes to some of the cabins along the shoreline along with changes to the main lodge. A representative for Ruttger's will be at the July meeting to discuss the plans with the Board.

All correspondence and e-mails received by the clerk were read.

A motion was made by Justin Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

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