

New Market Township

Annual Meeting

March 11, 1997

Clerk called the meeting to order at 8:35 p.m.

Clerk asked for a motion to nominate a Moderator. Motion by Gary Erickson to nominate Leander Wagner, seconded by Bill Boysen. Clerk called for more nominations, there were none made. David Frame motioned that nominations cease, seconded by Bruce Mohn, all in favor. Leander was elected Moderator. He admitted to having previous knowledge of what was going to be brought up at this meeting.

Minutes of the 1996 Annual Meeting were read. Gary Erickson asked the Moderator to re-read the paragraph of the Capital Fund of New Construction or Valuation. After some discussion, Bruce Mohn made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Milton Miller, all in favor.

In the 1996 minutes a motion had been made and approved to have a plaque made for Wm. Thalhuber for his years of service to New Market Township. David Frame presented and showed the plaque to the public.

It was again brought up about the fund of new construction/permit valuation.

In the 1995 contract it is stated that it will be .002% of new valuation.

Mr. Frame disagreed that it was \$9,000,000.00, thinks it is more like 4 to 5 million. He said even at .002% times \$9,000,000.00 would not add up to \$18,064.00 like we were told. They said it is a mistake in the 1995 contract.

Mr. Frame said they should have changed it in the contract before they had the Township Board sign it. Or can we change our contract after we sign it with them? Their answer to that was "no". Bruce Mohn said that this was something new when He made this motion. It was agreed that this money was not received by the Township until the year 1996. A motion was made by Jim

Sprecher that the Township should pay the Fire Department or the City of New Market this money as per a previous motion made at the 1996 Annual Meeting, seconded by Bruce Friedges. But the Moderator said that he did not need a new motion that he could order it paid as of last years's motion, they were all in favor. Gary Erickson also read a paragraph of the contract about some agreement, with the Township. At this time he also made it very clear that ever since a year ago when a certain person got elected into office everything is made public.

Then it came up about a Financial Statement, which wasn't hung up. Here the Moderator made a statement that maybe there was something to hide being it wasn't posted. Gary Erickson remarked "could these people that are running our Township be shifty or crooked"? The Clerk had to get his copy and it showed a summary of the income and total wages paid and a total of all other expenses. Checks were not listed by the Treasurer or Clerk because the Board directed them not to do so. At the advice of Atty. Nicklaus, Milton Miller was told to go home and get the cancelled checks. He did so and displayed them. It was observed that only the Moderator checked the December statement and no one else made an attempt to view them.

A motion was made by Gary Erickson to post all Township meetings for the year, monthly and special, at all locations, seconded by Margaret Erickson, all in favor.

It was said to publish all notices as before, in the three papers, The New Prague Times, Lonsdale Shopper, and Lakeville Life & Times, motion by Gary Erickson, seconded by Bob Seykora, all in favor.

Hourly wages for Election Judges are to remain the same at \$5.00 per hr. or until the minimum wage is changed by Federal Law. Motion by Frame, seconded by Gary Erickson, all in favor.

The Levies were made:

Road & Bridge---\$200,000.00 which will include Chlorine of Township roads,
Motion by Milton Miller, seconded by Rick Madder, all in favor.

General Fund---\$26,000.00 Motion by Bruce Mohn, seconded by Frame, all in favor.

Ambulance--- \$7,000.00 Keep the New Prague service, motion by Gary Erickson
seconded by Ron Chlan, all in favor.

Fire Fund---\$65,000.00 Motion by Bob Seykora, seconded by David Frame, all
in favor.

Vermillion W.M.O.---\$7,000.00 Motion by Bob Seykora, seconded by Floyd
Hartmann, all in favor.

Sand Creek W.M.O.---\$500.00 Motion by Floyd Hartmann, seconded by Bob Seykora,
all in favor.

Credit River W.M.O.---\$400.00 Motion by Bob Seykora, seconded by Floyd Hartmann,
all in favor.

On other business Jim Friedges brought up about the Township renting a room and hall for \$150.00 per month that was only good until the Annual Meeting.

Now for \$200.00 per month the Township can rent and use anything West of the fire hall wall. After some more discussion a motion was made by Jim Sprecker to pay \$200.00 a month rent on a two year contract, seconded by Bob Seykora, all in favor.

Then David Frame asked the Moderator for money for Office supplies etc., he was told that the Township Treasury had plenty money. It was also discussed about purchasing a safe to store old Township books and materials for keepsake. It was brought up to have the Clerk be in the Township Office a day or half day a week to take care of business and building permits. Cindy Helmberger spoke up and said it would not be necessary to do this, that maybe two or three people could make an appointment for the same day and time and then they could all meet at the Hall for business. It would basicly be left up to the Supervisors to determine how often. Mr. Frame and Mr. Clausen thought it should be up to the Clerk to make appointments with the people to see if they wanted to wait for this one time a week or if they wanted to do their business at the Clerk's home at any time.

In between discussions here, Atty. Nicklaus made a statement about the Hall and Fire Department as to that the Township cannot put money into a building that is located in a City or Village, refering to the \$250,000.00. Mr. Frame asked Jim Friedges if the City had ever gotten any money or grant from any Government agency for the first hall or the new one.

Gary Erickson spoke about buying a new tanker truck and asked if the Township would purchase it. This truck would have an automatic transmission, tandem axel, and 3000 gallon tank. This would be the second truck the Township would own in the Fire Department. A motion was made by Mrs. Sprecker to levy money for \$145,000.00 for this truck, seconded by Albert Chlan. Then there was discussion and Marty Deutsch said "why should we be spending all this money and we don't know what we are getting, the truck that is being bought should be brought to the Area Hall parking lot so Township people could see beforehand what they will be paying for." So after some

more discussion the Moderator asked Mrs. Sprecker to withdraw her motion to levy money to buy a tanker truck, it was so done. At the advice of Atty. Nicklaus, it was decided not to close this meeting. So before September 1, 1997 we are to have a special meeting in continuance of this one. The date is tentatively set for August 22, 1997.

ANNUAL ELECTION RESULTS-----

Supervisor for 3 year term

Bill Olson	139	Votes
Ben Zweber	94	"
Nichole Fredrickson	22	"
Cindy Helmberger	19	"
Spoiled ballots	3	

Treasurer for 2 year term

Milton Miller	165	Votes
Barb Schultz	111	"
Blank ballot	1	

Albert Zweber

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Township Clerk

David M. Franz

Moderator
Chairman

David Franz