

NEW MARKET TOWNSHIP

ANNUAL MEETING

March 12, 2002 8:30 p.m.

The Clerk called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m..

Clerk asked for nominations for Moderator.

Motion by Harry Anderson to nominate Doug Quast, seconded by Milton Miller.

Clerk asked for more nominations.

Motion by Bruce Friedges to nominate Leander Wagner, seconded by Bill Boysen.

Clerk asked three more times for nominations, there were none and nominations were declared closed.

Joel Helmberger and Cary Christensen handed out voting paper. After the people voted and the votes were counted the results were, Leander Wagner 10 -- Doug Quast 17 votes. Doug Quast was declared the Moderator.

The Moderator, Doug Quast, read the annual Township election results.

For Supervisor -- Joel Helmberger 92, Jim Koestering 23, Harry Breuer 18, all others 1.

For Clerk -- Albert Zweber 118, all others 8, blanks 8.

The Moderator read the minutes of the last years Annual Meeting of March 13, 2001.

Motion by Joel Helmberger to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Harry Anderson. Moderator called the, motion carried.

Old Business--Leander Wagner asked about the Township doing their own planning.

A Board member said that he was told by the State Association of Townships Attorney that the Board should check it out and that they might have to be more restrictive with the the Township ordinance than what the County ordinance is now. Attorney Nicklaus also explained about a trial between Townships and the City of Rochester and it got very difficult and involved.

Next were the levies --

Road & Bridge -- Question asked, what was left for a balance, \$152,000.00 as of December 31, 2001. Talked about the roads and what repairs were done and the chlorine cost. There was more discussion about what they will repair and rebuild this year.

There are roads that will need more lime rock and there are blacktops that need repair and there are ones that need a seal coat put on.

Motion by Leander Wagner to levy \$260,000.00, seconded by Milton Miller.

Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

Motion by Bob Seykora to chlorinate the Township roads, seconded by David Frame.

An amendment made to the motion by David Frame to do 90% of the roads with a 15 to 18 ft. wide swath or whatever is necessary, seconded by Joel Helmberger.

Moderator called the amended motion, motion carried.

Moderator called the original motion, motion carried.

Motion by Joel Helmberger to do touch-up grading only on heavily traveled roads, seconded by Ron Houston. Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

General Fund -- asked for \$100,000.00. There was a lot of discussion about this and about what the money is used for.

Motion by Joel Helmberger to levy \$100,000.00, seconded by Pam Kubes.

Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

Fire Fund levy -- asked for \$60,000.00 for Fire protection and of this \$20,000.00 is for a rescue truck. There was a lot of discussion about this, as to how we will pay for the fire contract with that amount of money. It was said that we have money that was carried over from last year. Question by Todd Friedges was "where is the \$37,500.00 that was levied"? It was used to pay the tanker truck.

Motion by Lyle Bungert to levy \$60,000.00 of which \$20,000.00 will go to the Capitol Fund, seconded by Joel Helmberger. Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

W.M.O. -- Motion by Albert Zweber to levy -0- for W.M.O., seconded by Harry Anderson, Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

Ambulance -- Motion by David Frame to levy \$5,000.00 for Ambulance service, seconded by Harry Breuer, Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

Next was the Land Fund levy -- the Board asked for \$20,000.00 for the Land Fund, to pay engineer fees, survey fees and legal fees. There was a short discussion about that fund.

It was asked what is being done with the land purchase. Were told that as the last years motion stated "to let the Town Board spend up to \$10,000.00 per acre for land, and then amended so as not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 for the land." In the discussion it was said that they intend to sell off enough land in lots and that will pay for the land and have 30 -- 40 acres for a park. There was more discussion and Bruce Friedges said that that is exactly what was said and that's how it is being done.

* Motion by Bruce Friedges to levy \$20,000.00 for the Land Fund, seconded by Harry Breuer, Moderator called the motion, motion carried.

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Next, where to publish legal notices?

Motion by David Frame to publish the legal notices in the Lakeville Life & Times and the New Prague Times, seconded by Gary Christensen. There was a statement made that the Lonsdale Shopper will not be delivered in the Township anymore but some still get it. Amendment to the motion by Joy Muscato to also publish the legals in the Lonsdale Shopper, seconded by Harry Breuer.

Moderator called the amended motion, motion carried.

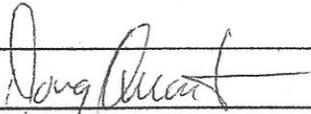
Moderator called the original motion, motion carried.

Bob Seykora asked about the law suit? Mr. Nicklaus told the people that it is in the Minnesota State Appeals court as of now.

There was more discussion and a motion made to use all the land for a park and a second. The Moderator did not identify the motion or the second. Was more discussion on this and legal advice was asked for. The Attorney then advised the Moderator and the others that the 2001 motion was passed and that the motion was already in effect. With this advice the Moderator declared the motion out of order.

Motion by Albert Zweber to adjourn the Annual Meeting of March 12, 2002 at 11:00 p.m. seconded by Milton Miller.

Moderator called the motion, motion carried.



Moderator



Albert Zweber

Township Clerk