

New Market Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 9, 2013

Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Members Present: Helmberger- late. Silverness, Larson, Popovich, Mohn, Frame, and Clausen.

Pledge of Allegiance

The minutes from the June 4, 2013 meeting were read. Motion by Silverness to approve the June 4 Minutes. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Treasurer's report was presented. Motion by Silverness to approve the Treasurer's as presented. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Sherriff's report – Not many calls for the month. Deputy took questions from the residents at the meeting on the closure of the intersection at Cty Rd 29 and Cty Rd 46. Intersection has been closed for the construction of a roundabout. The official detour is quite lengthy and the short detour was posted for local traffic only. Some of the local business people complained about traffic tickets being issued for using the short detour through the adjacent neighborhood. All tickets were cancelled and are no longer being issued. Residents are concerned about the speeding on Pinto Ln. Residents would like a lower speed limit on Pinto Ln

Steve Gerster – PCI Roads – Requesting approval of CUP for the construction of a temporary cement plant on the old Ritchie Bros property. Now being occupied by Michaels Construction. This plant will be used to manufacture cement for the rework of I35 from Cty Rd 2 to Burnsville. PCI will construct a road from the site directly on to the Interstate. All supplies will come in from the north via Cty Rd 46. Motion by Silverness to approve the temporary CUP with instructions to remove the plant after the I35 road work is complete. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, all in favor.

Barb Thompson – 6271 250th St – Requesting approval of a home operated business to sell apples and small items related to apples. Boutique would only be operated during the apple season. Township requested the business have off street parking and close at 8PM. Motion by Larson to approve the request. Seconded by Popovich. Motion passed, all in favor.

Tom Wolf – County Commissioner – Reports the County levy increase for 2014 will be held to 1% or less. Also going to check on the building set-back off of a county road.

Tim Rud – Rud Construction – Reports all of the road graveling is complete and the roads are in good shape. Repairs on the Grader and Packer are complete. Rud Construction will be working on two troublesome areas – 270th and Cty Rd 46 where the shoulders are much higher than the road. Also, on 230th St west of the Town Hall where there is erosion on the sides of the road.

Dust Coating – Will be completed July 9 – 11.

Trees on Woodhill Dr – Resident reports trees are hanging over the road making it hard for vehicles

to get by. Road Supervisor will investigate.

Roadside mowing – Motion by Popovich to hire Dale Kachinka to mow all roads in the Township at \$35.00 per mile. Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, all in favor

Audit Report – Couple of minor issues, contracts over \$25,000.00 not always approved in writing. Would like to see more oversight of Clerk/Treasure, inherent to all Townships.

Pedersen Farms – Rent will be paid through July and the Board will negotiate with Pedersen on the remainder of the year. The Truck and snow plow for the Grader are still stored at Pedersen Farms.

Town Hall Capital Fund – There is \$85,000.00 in the Maintenance Building Fund. There are no plans at present to build a Maint Bldg. Motion by Popovich to move the money in the Maint Bldg Fund (Fund 108) to the Park Fund (Fund 104) with the intent that the Park committee will decide how to spend the money. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, Larson, Popovich, and Silverness voted yes. Helmberger and Mohn abstained.

CTAS Improvement – State Auditor Office is requesting all Townships in the state to contribute \$300.00 to cover the cost of upgrading the CTAS program. Motion by Larson to pay the \$300.00. Seconded by Mohn, all in favor.

Lakeville School Elections – Lakeville School District would like to use the Township Hall on Nov 5, 2013 for their school election. Motion by Silverness to allow the Lakeville School District to use the Hall. After discussion Silverness withdrew the motion. Township Clerk will inquire on the number of voters they expect to vote.

Traci Nelson CUP – Ms Nelson was granted a recommendation for approval of a Boutique at 8920 250th St on condition she build a house on the property. She no longer intends to build the house, but would like to continue the Boutique. The Board delayed the decision until the Aug meeting and have her come before the Board.

Discussion on the possibility of another Township News Letter. Motion by Silverness to have Larson determine if another is feasible and to coordinate if so. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Township Attorney recommends the Township have a “Right-Of-Way Management” ordinance to regulate Utility Companies doing work in the right of way. Motion by Popovich to adopt Ordinance 2013-001. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Great River Cap X project Permit and Road Use agreement needs to be signed. Board delayed the signing until the Aug meeting.

The Board is working with Cedar Lake Township on the needed work and cost sharing of the Porter Creek bridge. A schedule of the needed work is due at the County in August.

Marcia Wageman – Pinto Lane – Concerned about the speed limit on her street during the construction of the roundabout at 29 & 46.

Motion by Silverness to adopt a resolution on record retention. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, Helmberger, Mohn, and Silverness voted yes, Popovich abstained, Larson voted no. Adoption of this resolution allows the Township to destroy records no longer needed if the Township complies with the requirements of the record retention law.

Bruce Tilseth –230th St E – concerned about the gas cans and water pumps sitting along side of 230th St. Road Supervisor will investigate. Also, Tilseth would like to see better maintenance of the Disc Golf Course at the Park. Tilseth will obtain mowing quotes and present them to the Board.

Mike Huntington –230th St E – Expressed concern about the ditches on both sides of the road going down the hill. The hill west of the Town Hall, after the black top ends.

Motion by Larson to review and pay claims. Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Silverness to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 PM. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Approve:

Chair

Clerk

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