La Crescent Township Monthly Meeting Minutes August 12, 2019

Final Approved

Township Board Members Present:

Bob Schuldt Jason Wieser Tom Tornstrom

Dan Brodigan Wayne Oliver-absent

Karen Schuldt

Chairman Bob Schuldt called the August monthly meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Clerk Karen Schuldt took the roll call.

- 4. Approval of Agenda: Dan Brodigan made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried.
- 5. Minutes of July 8, 2019 Regular Meeting: **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**
- 6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: A. Teresa Walter and Brian Pogodzinski presented a proposed contract for Town Hall to the board. Teresa added the survey has also been done for Town Hall and a copy has been emailed to the clerk. Chairman Schuldt advised the board along with our township attorney will need review the contract so we'll bring it back to the September meeting. Brian Pogodzinski also provided building costs from MN DOT (\$67 per square foot) and Wieser Construction (\$65 to\$85) for a new proposed salt shed. Brian advised the county is recommending having the township take the lead on the salt shed. The county would be willing to put some impute in on it. Depending on what is divided up would determine the cost that the county would pay.

Bob Cummings questioned the status on the payment for the damaged curb stop on Crescent Hills. Chairman Schuldt advised the curb stop was hit by the township mower while mowing the weeds. The curb stop is within the township right away. The feeling of the board was to check with the township insurance first on the possibility submitting a claim. Dan Wilson from Crescent Hills Dr. thanked the board for having the area cleared as it's a much safer area now that it is.

- 7. Treasurers Report: Chairman Schuldt advised we still don't have the treasurer position filled and are still moving forward to having it on the ballot for the annual March Election. It will be on the ballot as a hired position or continue with an elected position. In the interim we are using Larry Jankowksi CPA office and they are providing the monthly reports to us. **Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried.**
- 8. Clerk Report: Karen reported the township received notice from Aaron Lacher, H.C.

zoning administrator that the County is holding a public hearing Thursday, August 22nd at 7:00pm in the Houston County Commission's room for a request from Northern Natural Gas Company for a conditional use permit for essential services. Karen also reported an annexation request for Donald & Linda Eppelheimer at 1230 County 6. The public hearing is set for August 26 at 5:30 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

- 9. Other or Old Business. Bob advised the seal coating is all done except for Pfeffer Valley which will be done with they come to do the end of Hokah. We are still monitoring the slide on N. Pine Creek and so far, it is maintained. There is another area on N. Pine Creek that was fixed three years ago by hole 7 that is starting to slide and will need to be fixed. A cone has been placed in the area. Dan and Bob met with Jack Dittmar from Scott Construction on N. Pine Creek and there are a lot of areas that need attention along that road. Dan will make contact with Zenke to get an idea on cost. Bob also reported he received a call from Dave Freese on County 6 and Sportsman Valley Rd. The township ditch on Sportsmander Valley Rd. keeps getting filled in by his driveway causing the water to go up and over and into his yard. Bob advised it is in the township right away and will need to be fixed. Niebling fixed it about ten years ago and it will need to be done again. Feeling of the board was to contact Niebling and get it fixed. Bob also reported he submitted photos of the tank to EPA and received a letter back that we are in compliance. Bob updated the board that attorney Greg Schieber is willing to represent the Township on a case to case basis at \$145.00 an hour. Jason Wieser made a motion to hire Greg Schieber as our new township attorney, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried. Jason Wieser made a motion to send the annexation to attorney Schieber, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried. Bob added last Spring the board discussed the snow plow complaints on Pfeffer Valley and if we are going to get quotes, we should look at getting them now. The quotes should include how much per hour and how much snow they come out for. We'll reach out to Green Acres and Bennett Brothers for a quote.
- 10. Supervisors Report.: Jason reported the ditch by Miles on Town Hall Rd is drying up so hopefully they can get that done in the next couple weeks. Dan and Tom no further report.
- 11. Bills for Audit: Dan Brodigan made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried
- 12. Adjournment: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:23 pm, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk