La Crescent Township Monthly Meeting Minutes March 21, 2022 (Rescheduled from March 14th)

Final Approved

Township Board Members Present:

Bob Schuldt Jason Wieser Wayne Oliver-absent Roy Lemke

Tom Tornstrom Karen Schuldt Josie Bartsch - Treasurer

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

- 4. Approval of Agenda: Jason Wieser made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Roy Lemke seconded, motion carried.
- 5. Minutes of February 14, 2022 Regular Meeting: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried. Minutes of March 1, 2022 Board of Audit Meeting: Jason Wieser made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Roy Lemke, seconded, motion carried.
- 6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board:

Gary Hougom Hilltopper Refuse & Recycle addressed the board with a contract extension option. The extension would be to remove the annual admin fee of \$850.00 and any unpaid charges from 2020, 2021 and 2022 will be waived in exchange, the monthly refuse rate for the Township of La Crescent residents will be increased by twenty-five cents per unit effective July 1, 2022. The contract would be extended an additional two years. (January 1, 2027-December 31, 2028). Following discussion: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to accept the modification of contract to extend by two years with the stated increase fee, Jason Wieser seconded, motion carried.

Charles Yehle came to address the board about a parking situation on Bluff Drive. Charles operators a lawn care business. He parks along Bluff Drive on the side owned by Corrina Kettner. Corrina has confronted him about parking on the road right away and since placed a no parking sign in the road right away. Following discussion: This parking is allowed and the board directed Bob to contact attorney Greg to send the property owner a letter explaining the road right away and to remove the sign. Charles was advised that he can legally park there and if he has any issues to contact the Houston County Sheriff's Office.

- 7. Treasurers Report: Roy Lemke made a motion to approve the treasurers reported as presented, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.
- A. Peter Congdon with Edward Jones advised we have some CDs that have matured that should get moved. Peter indicated he is seeing some really good cd rates and proposed that he would like to start rebuilding the cd ladder again. Peter would like to take the cash that we have and also start moving some of the money back over from Merchants that was transferred a few years ago. Tom advised he would like to see what the cd rates are with Merchants. Board directed Tom and Jason to be the contacts for Peter. Tom and Jason will work with Peter and report back to the board next month.
- 8. Clerk Report: Karen advised the she received a letter from Polly Heberlien advising after the 2020 census the state was undergoing some redistricting of voting precincts. The county did not

have to change any precincts because the new districts follow the current election boundaries. We do however have to pass a resolution reestablishing precincts and polling places. The resolution designates La Crescent Township Hall at 830 Town Hall Rd as the polling place and that the current boundaries are left as is. **Jason Wieser made a motion to approve the resolution for voting, Roy Lemke seconded, motion carried.**

The City of La Crescent is requesting consent to the issuance of the On Sale Wine & Off Sale 3.2 Beer license for Pine Creek Golf Course. Tom Tornstrom made a motion to approve the beer license, Jason Wieser seconded, motion approved.

9. Other or Old Business:

- Tom advised he received the quote from the city in reference to adding technology to the community room that was brought up last month. The quote is from Digicom, Inc. for \$8,880.00 and the city is requesting the township contribute fifty percent of the cost. Roy Lemke made a motion to pay for half (\$4,400.00) of the total project, Tom Tornstrom seconded, motion carried.
- Jason and Tom had a phone conversation with attorney Greg on how to proceed with issue with the lots on Crescent Hills. Discussion was held on Greg creating a letter addressing our concerns or the board doing a letter. Consensus was to have Jason and Tom work with attorney Greg to draft a letter and bring it back to the board.

10. Supervisors Report:

Roy: Phone call from Mark Kramer in reference to a dip by Ivers driveway. Roy feels it may be from the frost. We'll keep an eye on it.

Jason: Nothing

Tom: Start looking at getting ahead of the weeds around the guard rail on Crescent Hills.

Bob: The plow is off the truck and Doug cleaned up the truck.

- 11. Bills for Audit: Roy Lemke made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Tom Tornstrom, motion carried.
- 12. Adjournment: Tom Tornstrom made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:01 pm, Roy Lemke seconded, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Schuldt, clerk