

OFFICIAL MINUTES
SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING
March 11, 2010

SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP TOWN HALL
20381 FAIRLAWN AVENUE, PRIOR LAKE, MN

Present:

Glenn Kelley - Supervisor
Kathy Nielsen – Clerk

Mick Borka – Supervisor
Stacy Siegle - Treasurer

Chris Olson - Supervisor

Also Present:

Mark Statz, Bonestroo

- 1) a) The March, 2010 monthly meeting was called to order by Chairman Kelley at 6:00 p.m.
b) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
c) Changes to the agenda. The following additions were made: Chris & Ellen Rieck, discussion regarding past due utility availability charges, Randy Geister, discussion of P.L.A.Y.'s use of ball fields for 2010 season, Ted Kowalski, On-Site Marketing, discussion regarding road issues related to a proposed development of 26 acres PID #119360090, Lowell Pajari, discussion regarding a development at 3300 190th Street, discussion regarding a proposal to conduct a feasibility study to establish a township fire department. Olson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Borka seconded. All in favor.
d) Approval of February 11, 2010 meeting minutes. Olson made a motion to accept the minutes with one correction. Kelley seconded. The minutes were approved 2-0, with Borka abstaining.
- 2) **Public Commentary.** No residents came forward for public comment.
- 3) **Agenda Items**
 - a) Chris Schumann, 3051 210th Street E – request for second driveway access to his property. Schumann stated that he needs a second driveway access to the northwest corner of his property because it cannot be accessed through any other means. This item was deferred to the April meeting in order for Board members to inspect the site.
 - b) Don Sterna – discussion of a Gene Berens memorial flagpole. Sterna reported that he has contacted a local Boy Scout unit to see if there is interest in conducting a scout project to erect a memorial flagpole at the Town Hall. Sterna will research project costs and have a follow-up conversation with the Scouts. This item was continued to the April Board meeting.
 - c) Chris & Ellen Rieck – discussion of delinquent utility availability charges. Rieck proposed a schedule to repay delinquent utility availability charges over the next five years. The Board will seek legal counsel to determine the advisability of establishing a payment schedule. This item was continued to the April Board meeting
 - d) Randy Geister, PLAY – discussion of use of Fish Lake Park ball fields for the 2010 baseball season. Geister requested use of the Fish Lake ball fields for the 2010 schedule for ball games Monday – Thursday evenings and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. from last week in April to second week in July. The Board welcomes P.L.A.Y. but noted that where Town Hall rentals conflict with P.L.A.Y. games, PLAY will have to make alternative parking arrangements.

- e) Lowell Pajari – discussion of access to proposed development at 3300 190th Street. Pajari presented a new access to his proposed development. Statz was directed to prepare a letter of recommendation with respect to access issues for the proposed development, including whether or not turn lanes will be required. Pajari presented a \$300 escrow check for this work.
- f) Ted Kowalski, On-Site Marketing – discussion of proposed development of PID #119360090. Statz presented a letter summarizing issues regarding the road network surrounding the proposed development known as Harvest Hills 2nd Addition. Credit River Township supervisors Schommer and Kraft were present and participated in the discussion. Statz recommended the Township support a connection of Century Lane to Flag Trail, oppose the disconnection of Flag Trail from CSAH 8, and not pave Flag Trail at this time. The Board is in agreement with these recommendations at this time. Schommer and Kraft also supported these recommendations.
- g) Consideration of quotes for various township services. Nielsen presented quotes for services to the Town. The Board approved the following:
 - Berens Enterprises, LLC for park maintenance at Fish Lake Park, excluding rain garden maintenance
 - Applied Ecological Services for rain garden maintenance
 - River Oaks for ditch mowing
 - Bixby Portable Toilets for porta-potty service at Fish Lake Park
 - Kraemer for gravel
 - Klingberg Trucking for gravel hauling
- h) Policy discussion regarding neighborhood parks in new developments. The Board considered the pros and cons of allowing neighborhood parks within individual residential developments. The Board supports the development of larger community parks and does not support development or dedication of neighborhood parks.

4) **Engineer's Report.**

There were no items of note beyond those already discussed as separate agenda items.

5) **Road Report**

- a) Prairie Hills Drive. Credit River Township will be doing crack filling on Prairie Hills Drive and will be billing ½ the cost to Spring Lake Township. In 2011 Prairie Hills Drive will be seal coated. Credit River Township will again seek cost sharing with Spring Lake Township for this maintenance.
- b) Road Inspection. The Board will conduct its annual road inspection on April 10, 2010 at 7:00 a.m.
- c) 2010 Gravelling. Doug Johnson presented a list of roads to be graveled in 2010.
- d) Road Grading. Grading will begin next week.

6) **Parks Report**

- a) Memorial Ball Field signage. Kelley presented additional drawings for ball field signage. The Board provided additional feedback. Kelley will bring final drawings for consideration in April.

7) **Water Resources Report**

- a) Borka and Nielsen will be meeting with Troy Kuphal, Scott SWCD, and a member of BWSR on March 19th to discuss the Township's administration of the Wetland Conservation Act. Ben Meyer, Bonestroo, will also be present.
- b) Nielsen has been appointed to a working group of individuals advising the MPCA on the redrafting of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

8) Treasurer's Report

- a) Siegle presented the February, 2010 Treasurer's Report. Olson made a motion to approve the February, 2010 Treasurer's Report. Kelley seconded. All in favor.

9) New Business/Old Business

- a) Township fire department feasibility study. The Board determined that conducting a fire department feasibility study is premature at this time.
- b) PLSLWD Nominations. Roger Wahl's term as a manager on the PLSLWD ends in June. The Board declined to offer nominations for this position at this time, but welcomes the opportunity to participate with the City of Prior Lake in conducting interviews of future candidates.
- c) Special Meeting Minutes. Kelley motioned to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2010 discussion with Scott County officials. Borka seconded. All in favor. Kelley motioned to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2010 Board of Audit. Borka seconded. All in favor.

10) Approval of disbursements. The Board reviewed the attached March, 2010 disbursement ledgers and approved the checks numbered, 8929 to 8956, to be issued. The checks were signed and given to Nielsen for mailing.

11) The following items were included in the Board's information packets for informational purposes:

- February sheriff's incident report
- March 3, 2010 letter from the Scott County Assessor regarding the reclassification of properties and the impact of reclassification on their assessment values
- List of dates and venues for Local Board of Appeal and Equalization certification training
- An e-mail dated March 3rd from legal counsel regarding the Thom litigation
- List of upcoming meetings

There being no further business before the Board, Olson made a motion to adjourn. Kelley seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Kathy Nielsen, Clerk
Spring Lake Township

Minutes approved _____

Glenn Kelley, Chairman

Kathy Nielsen, Clerk