

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
SPRING LAKE TOWNSHIP  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
December 12, 2019**

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

Present:

Doug Berens - Supervisor	Glenn Kelley – Supervisor	Ted Kowalski - Supervisor
Melissa Hanson – Clerk	Dave Johnson - Treasurer	Sara Domer – Deputy Clerk

Also Present:

Matt Stordahl - Stantec

- 1) a) The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kowalski at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
- 2) a) Changes to the agenda. Staff changed item 3.b to include rezoning from RR1 to RR2. Berens made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Kelley seconded. All in favor.
- b) Approval of the November 14, 2019 meeting minutes. Kowalski made a motion to approve the minutes. Kelley seconded. The minutes were approved 2-0, Berens abstained as he was absent for the November meeting.

**3) Public Commentary**

- a) Tom Wolf, Scott County Commissioner- Updates
  - i) Prior Lake – VFW block has been purchased and will be revitalized with 3 story building for apartments and shops; VFW will be relocated.
  - ii) Credit River - 21/91 – J Turns will be implemented next year to increase safety in the most cost-effective manner. Going west on 21 from 91 will require using J turn. Roundabouts were considered but are cost prohibitive.
  - iii) County Levy –3.9% increase to be voted on Wednesday 12/18/2019.
- b) Curt Hennes, Prior Lake Spring Lake Watershed District
  - i) Diane Lynch named District Watershed Administrator of the year.
  - ii) Spring Tour – Christian Morkeberg’s home on Vergus Ave. will be on spring tour to display work on shoreline.
  - iii) Water Storage- Area farmers being asked to set aside areas for emergency water storage and erosion mitigation (4-6 weeks) to help with urgent flood issues. Many are concerned with the delay in getting their crops planted if they participate.
  - iv) Levy - 2020 levy at 1.794% same as previous year.
  - v) Bond Payment - Considering paying bond early to save on interest payments.
  - vi) Carp-
    - (1) Seeking grant from DNR to stock fish to control carp in Spring and Prior Lakes.
    - (2) Purchased nine new tags for tracking carp with goal to sein on both Spring and Prior if sufficient schooling occurs.
    - (3) Looking to purchase seining net to eliminate dependency on seining company.
- c) Lisa Quinn - 1796 Spring Lake Circle- Tested well, arsenic level was 8. She noted they live in one of the last areas on Spring Lake without sewer and water.

**4) Agenda Items**

- a) Consider Harvest Bluffs Request for Letter of Credit Reduction. Ashlee Tupy Rickert, 20520 Keokuk, Lakeville. Moderno Homes, requested a reduction of the Harvest Bluffs infrastructure letter of credit from \$105,000 to \$30,700, the minimum amount (10%) required during the warranty period. A ditch area and infiltration area will be fixed in the spring. Stordahl noted that the remaining \$30,000 will cover any contingency if something is not adequately addressed this spring. Kelley made a motion to approve the reduction. Berens seconded. Approved 2-0. Kowalski abstained.
- b) Legacy Addition (Revere Way PID 111270030)– Review Preliminary and Final Plat and Rezone from RR1 to RR2. Ashlee Tupy Rickert, Moderno Homes, on behalf of Legacy Addition requested 29 acres located at PID 111270030 to be rezoned from RR1 to RR2, to create 5 residential lots as well as approval of the preliminary and final plat. Wetland has been reviewed by the County. Developer is working to limit disturbance to less than 1 acre. All lots access from Revere with 3 lots sharing a driveway. The Board commented that shared driveways are a personal property issue that the Township will not get involved in. All width requirements for frontage are met. Kowalski made a motion to approve the rezoning from RR1 to RR2 and approval of the preliminary and final plats for Legacy Addition. Berens seconded. All in favor.
- c) Continued Discussion of Mooring Ordinance - Kowalski provided an overview of Prior Lake’s new ordinance regarding required footage per dock for Controlled Access Lots and dock rentals. Conrad Ketelsen, 2300 Raymond Ave expressed concern that Spring Lake is getting busier and more dangerous and is in favor of the 1:40 feet requirement for controlled access but is not as concerned with the rental controls. Kelley inquired as to when does rental of private dock slips become a home-based business. Lisa Quinn, 1796 Spring Lake Circles stated she is in support of the Controlled Access to 1:40. Kelley suggested the Township may want to consider adding a limitation on rental as a preventative measure. Board asked Staff to plan a public hearing for consideration of our ordinance in early 2020.
- d) Discuss Township Adopt-A-Highway Program Expansion- Township implemented a limited adopt a highway program when Cty Rd 81 (Fairlawn) and Cty Rd. 87 (Revere) were turned back to the Township in 2018. There are currently four groups of participants (3 on Fairlawn and 1 on Revere). Signs were left in place from County program. Trash is picked up twice a year. Duration of commitment is three years (2018-2021) and participants must sign waiver. Total cost for new signs is \$190.09 for signs posts. Board asked for Staff to draft program parameters for review at January meeting.
- e) Review and Approve Shared Road Agreement with Shakopee. Staff presented new agreement that updates dates, compensation amounts and an additional paragraph to guide communications for reshape and grading projects for 160<sup>th</sup> a shared grave road. Berens advised that the shared road agreement with Prior Lake will need to be updated to reflect additional portion of 160<sup>th</sup> now in the city of Prior Lake. Kowalski made a motion to approve City of Shakopee and Spring Lake Township Road Maintenance Agreement. Berens seconded. All in favor.
- f) Consider Approval of Road Maintenance Contract. Staff presented Road Maintenance contract 2019-2023. Kelley made a motion to approve the road maintenance contract. Berens seconded. All in favor.

## 5) Engineer’s Report

Stordahl presented the December Engineer’s Report.

- a) 185<sup>th</sup> Street East –BKJ Land Co. was awarded paving project and it is nearly completed. BKJ has been directed to add more topsoil to the roadway embankments. The topsoil work was not able to be completed this season. BKJ will work on this when weather conditions permit in the spring. A final assessment hearing will be held when all work is done and costs have been finalized.
- b) CH 21/CH 87/170<sup>th</sup> Street Intersection Improvements – Scott County contracted with Kimley-Horn to prepare recommendations for an intersection improvements project. The report reviewed several options and is recommending a modified intersection, allowing eastbound traffic to turn on and off of CH 87, westbound traffic to turn south onto CH 87, but no northbound traffic to turn west or any north-south traffic movements. SLT recommendation of Option 1 (no westbound traffic turning south onto CH87).
- c) TH 13/Vergus Avenue Turn Lanes – According to conversation with Alison with MnDOT on December 2<sup>nd</sup>: ‘The highway has been opened and no more work will happen until spring. There’s a portion of the road that only got one layer of asphalt on the shoulders and turn lanes because of the shortened construction season. In the spring, there will be some patch work completed to fix the pavement issues that have surfaced and then install the ‘ultra-thin’ layer and final striping. Berens noted that some signs were still in the area and in the ditches. Stordahl to inform DOT of concern. Reimbursement form for dust coating 190<sup>th</sup>, 195<sup>th</sup> and a portion of Vergus has been submitted. Stop sign is at wrong angle and MnDOT has been notified
- d) Town Hall sidewalk drainage and restoration – Blakeborough Hardscapes has completed the landscaping improvements and has invoiced the Township in the amount of \$2925.
- e) Culvert Replacement –
  - Vergus Avenue BKJ has completed this repair. The culvert is lower than the waterways on either side of the road and can’t be raised enough to flow properly without a significant road improvement. The culvert will need to be inspected regularly to assure it’s operating as intended.
  - Parkfield- culvert replaced by BKJ. Culver damage done by Jaguar communication, request for reimbursement to be made.
- f) Signage Retro-reflectivity Review – Signage inventory complete. Quotes have been received and the work was awarded to JAAK LLC. The work is scheduled to be completed during the week of December 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- g) 5591 180<sup>th</sup> Street Driveway – The Township requested BKJ to place gravel at the end of the driveway for the winter to improve the situation until 2020 patching project work can be completed. The gravel work has been completed.
- h) 207<sup>th</sup> Street Ditch Issue- area has been reviewed and owners will be contacted regarding necessary ditch maintenance for Spring 2020.
- i) Mushtown Road – Design Locates and request for soil borings made by engineer to help shape plans for fixing degrading areas of road..
- j) Development
  - Legacy Addition (formerly Cleary Acres) – The Developer’s Engineer has been revising their site plan to better meet the surface water requirements. The Engineer feels fairly confident that they’ll be able to get the issues addressed and is hoping that a conditional plat approval can be granted.
  - Harvest Bluffs – Developer is working with county on ditch drainage issue that will be addressed in spring. The Letter of Credit can be reduced to the minimum specified in the Developers Agreement for the Warranty Period.

**6) Road Report**

- a) No road issues.
- b) 4 mattresses picked up on 180<sup>th</sup> Street.

**7) Town Hall and Parks Report**

- a) Flag clip replaced; flag lights not working.

**8) Water Resources Report**

- a) Water Management Resource Meeting next week.

**9) Treasurer's Report**

- a) Johnson presented the November, 2019 Treasurer's Report. In November total receipts were \$16,555.63 total disbursements were \$113,891.09 and the ending cash balance was \$2,059,677.97. Kelley made a motion to approve the November, 2019 Treasurer's Report. Kowalski seconded. All in favor.

**10) SCALE**

- a) SCALE Executive committee agree to pay \$30,000 for Lobbyist for street fees
- b) Legislative initiatives to be discussed at meeting on 12/13.

**11) New Business/Old Business**

- a) McMahon Drawdown Completed – Lake was lowered from 967.6 to 966.2 after pumping by Scott County with DNR approval. Ordinary High Water Level 965.2.
- b) Spring Lake Ridge – Prior Lake has received preliminary/PUD application for 101 single family lots (no HOA docks). Public Hearing with Prior Lake planning commission anticipated January 13, 2020.
- c) 2020 Organizational Meeting to be held at 6:30 on 1/9/2020

**12) Approval of Disbursements** The Board reviewed the December, 2019 disbursement ledgers and approved checks numbered, 12941 to 12972, to be issued. The checks were signed and given to Hanson for mailing.

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

- List of upcoming meetings

There being no further business before the Board, Berens made a motion to adjourn. Kowalski seconded. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Melissa Hanson, Clerk  
Spring Lake Township

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Thaddeus Kowalski, Chairman

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Melissa Hanson, Clerk