

On Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. Town Board Chairperson Greg Anderson called the regular monthly Town Board meeting to order. Other Supervisors present were Eugene Stoeckel, John Roxbury, Jr. and Jim Kusler. Supervisor Mark Riverblood was absent.

Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Eugene Stoeckel and seconded by John Roxbury, Jr. to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2014 regular monthly meeting with the following corrections; the word sack be replaced with sake, on the second page, first paragraph, last line and the word so be replaced with do on the second page, fourth paragraph, last line. Motion Carried.

Approve Financial Report

A motion was made by Jim Kusler and seconded by John Roxbury, Jr. to approve the Financial Report for February 2014 as submitted. Beginning Balance of Township funds was \$397,741.61; total receipts of \$36,049.32; total disbursements of \$36,151.65; leaving a balance of \$397,639.28. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Old Business

There was no old business on the agenda.

New Business

The first item under new business was to discuss a Land Split request for John Moosbrugger, Section 11. John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve the Land Split for John Moosbrugger, Section 11. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The next item under new business was to discuss a Land Split request for Ryan Gerth/Don Tessmer, Section 14. John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve the Land Split for Ryan Gerth/Don Tessmer, Section 14. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss Donation requests from the Annual Meeting. Greg Anderson explained that there were only two organizations that followed the correct procedure when asking for a donation. One was the Princeton Area Library, asking for \$2200, and the other was the Mille Lacs County Ag Society, asking for \$1000.

Eugene Stoeckel suggested giving an equal amount to both the Library and the Ag Society.

John Roxbury, Jr. stated that if the organization was not willing to send someone to the meeting and make an application, he doesn't feel they should receive any funds. He stated that there was a misunderstanding with the Historical Society and some residents would like them to receive a donation. He did not think it would be fair to honor the request when they did not follow procedure. He suggested that maybe the Township notify those organizations so they could reapply at the Reconvening of the Annual Meeting, and then they could still be considered.

Eugene Stoeckel stated that procedure was made clear last year and he feels they are bound to only give a donation to the two organizations that provided the correct information.

Jim Kusler stated that the procedure was explained last year and an organization could only be considered when they followed that procedure.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve a donation of \$2,200 for the Princeton Area Library and \$1,000 for the Mille Lacs County Ag Society. Jim Kusler seconded the motion. Motion Carried with Eugene Stoeckel opposing the motion.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to re-appoint both Larry Ziebarth and Eric Minks to the Planning Commission for another term. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to keep all of the following positions the same:

- Town Board Chairperson – Greg Anderson
- Town Board Vice-Chairperson – John Roxbury, Jr.
- Township Planning Commission Liaison – John Roxbury, Jr.
- City of Princeton Planning Commission – Jim Kusler
- Fire Advisory Committee – Eugene Stoeckel
- Airport Advisory Committee – Eugene Stoeckel
- Weed Inspector – Mark Riverblood
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Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to designate the Princeton Union Eagle as the official newspaper. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Eugene Stoeckel motioned to designate Bremer Bank as the Township Depository. John Roxbury, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve Resolution 2014-2, Authorizing Contract with Interested Officer (parts and labor provided by Greg Anderson Auto/Quality Tire). Jim Kusler seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Open Forum

Larry Ziebarth asked if the Township has a policy for Planning Commission members regarding how many meetings they miss in a year. Greg Anderson stated that he believed there was, and he thought it was 3.

Ryan Gerth stated that when they attended the last Planning Commission meeting, he was disappointed that there was no quorum. He understood if there was an emergency but it didn't appear that way and no one even attempted to contact the Township regarding the absence.

Greg Anderson agreed and stated that when a member could not be present, they should at least be notifying the Clerk or himself.

John Roxbury, Jr. stated that he felt the Chair of the Planning Commission should manage it and if he felt something was becoming a problem, he should then address it with the Town Board.

Supervisor's Reports

Eugene Stoeckel stated that there will be an upcoming open house for the new Public Safety building

John Roxbury, Jr. asked about the tax forfeited property that is in the Township. The Clerk explained that there are 2 parcels in the Township where the property owners did not pay their taxes and so the property was forfeited over the state which erases all amounts owed. The County works with the State to get that property back on the tax payroll and the Township has first chance to acquire the property at the fair market value if they so chose.

After some discussion, Greg Anderson asked the Clerk to get some more information and they could discuss it again at the next meeting.

Greg Anderson stated that The Princeton Youth Hockey Assoc. contacted the Clerk regarding providing Bar Bingo at Long Siding Bar & Grill.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve Resolution 2014-3, Approval of Charitable Gambling (Bar Bingo), for the Princeton Youth Hockey at Long Siding Bar & Grill. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Clerks Business

The clerk asked the Board if they wanted to do anything with the Ordinance information that she included in their packet. John Roxbury, Jr. stated that he had not had a chance to review it and stated that they could discuss it again at next months' meeting.

The Clerk stated that she will be sending out the annual newsletter within the next week and said if anyone had anything to add, to let her know.

The Clerk reminded the Board about the Board of Review scheduled for the following week.

Approve Payment of the Bills

A motion was made by John Roxbury, Jr. and seconded by Eugene Stoeckel to approve payment of the bills, Check numbers 10347-10385. Motion Carried.

Adjourn

A motion was made by John Roxbury, Jr. and seconded by Eugene Stoeckel to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Wubben
Clerk/Treasurer

Attendees: Ryan Gerth, Larry Ziebarth