

On Tuesday, July 15, 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 Mark Riverblood. Supervisor Jim Kusler was absent.

Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Eugene Stoeckel and seconded by John Roxbury, Jr. to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2014 regular monthly meeting as printed. Motion Carried.

Approve Financial Report

A motion was made by John Roxbury, Jr. and seconded by Mark Riverblood to approve the Financial Report for June 2014 as submitted. Beginning Balance of Township funds was \$329,913.38; total receipts of \$1,821.79; total disbursements of \$46,724.80; leaving a balance of \$285,010.37. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Old Business

There was no old business on the agenda.

New Business

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve the IUP for Old Log Liquor/Virgil Schmatz, Section 8. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve the Rezone Request from Helen Schmidt, Section 26. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to amend the ordinance which requires two readings and instead have both readings at the same time. Mark Riverblood seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to waive the reading of the amendment in total. Mark Riverblood seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Eugene Stoeckel motioned to approve Resolution 2014-4 for the Ordinance Changes. John Roxbury, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve the Temporary Liquor License for Outlaw Grass Drags. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Jan Jude, Mille Lacs County District Attorney, presented some information for the Town Board.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to approve the following election judges for the August Primary Elections: Jeanette Oakes-Head Election Judge, Connie Wubben-Clerk of Elections, Marlys Sanford, June Kunkel, Joyce Tessmer, Pat Osterkamp, Kristi Morisset, Carol Carling and Linda Boettcher. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Open Forum

There were no residents present who wished to speak.

Supervisor's Reports

Mark Riverblood gave an update on the 4R Board.

Eugene Stoeckel gave an update on the Fire Advisory Board.

John Roxbury, Jr. stated that there was some discussion about rezoning other properties besides the Helen Schmidt property at the last Planning Commission meeting. He stated that he somewhat put a stop to it because the Township has not received a formal request from any other property owners. He is not against looking into it if the land owner would like it rezoned. He thought it would be a good idea to see how other property owners felt about it.

Greg Anderson stated that he thinks they should have the Planning Commission look into the issue.

Mark Riverblood read some information regarding the cost to maintain a Rural Residential Area as opposed to an Agricultural area.

After some discussion, Mark Riverblood motioned to refund the \$300 application fee from Helen Schmidt because it is in the Township's economic interest to protect Ag land and encourage prudent zoning. Greg Anderson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

John Roxbury, Jr. stated that rezoning that area would be simply returning it to its' original zoning.

Mark Riverblood stated that the Rural Residential area has been in effect for generations, and the land use has not changed, so the demand is just not there.

John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to instruct the Planning Commission to look into returning the Rural Residential area back to Agricultural. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Clerks Business

The Clerk stated that she received a bid for \$500 plus materials to re-stain the Town Hall. John Roxbury, Jr. motioned to have the Clerk go ahead and call the contractor to re-stain the Town Hall. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The Clerk stated that she received a request for gravel on 52nd and would like to know how to handle requests for gravel. The Board told the Clerk to keep track of requests and then they can wait until the fall when some projects are completed and see what the demand is.

The Clerk stated she received a letter from the County Sheriff and wanted to know if any of the Supervisors were interested in being on the Violent Offender Apprehension Unit Advisory Group. John Roxbury, Jr. and Mark Riverblood were both interested and wanted the Clerk and see how many supervisors they need and when the meetings would be.

The Clerk asked the Board how they would like to pay Supervisors for staff meetings. She could not find documentation regarding the hourly rate the Supervisors should receive. The Board asked the Clerk to come up with an hourly rate recommendation and they could discuss it at the August meeting.

Approve Payment of the Bills

A motion was made by Eugene Stoeckel and seconded by John Roxbury, Jr. to approve payment of the bills, Check numbers 10482-10511. Motion Carried.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Eugene Stoeckel and seconded by John Roxbury, Jr. to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Wubben
Clerk/Treasurer

Attendees: Jan Jude