Eureka Township

Dakota County State of Minnesota

Special Eureka Townboard Meeting January 5, 2004

Chair Don Pflaum called the Special Meeting of the Eureka Town board to order at 7:00 pm.

Town board members present were Don Pflaum, Dan Rogers, Supervisor Kenny Miller, Supervisor Mark Malecha and Supervisor Connie Anderson. Clerk/Treasurer Nanett Leine recorded the minutes.

Planning Commission members present were Butch Hansen, Cheryl Monson, Corey Behrendt and Calvin Pflaum.

Attorney Louise Toscano Seeba was also present.

Agenda: Independent Audit Discussion Ordinance work

Independent Audit Discussion

Supervisor Kenny Miller has contacted several firms about the auditing of the townships financial book for the year 2003. An audit is required by State Law, due to the combined position of Clerk and Treasurer.

Three of the audit firms expressed interest in taking the Township on as a client.

The firm ABDO EICK & MEYERS is highly recommended by MAT and Louise Toscano Seeba, the Township attorney.

A Motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To accept the firm ABDO EICK & MEYERS to move forward with the audit of the Eureka Township books. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kenny Miller. Discussion followed. Supervisor Kenny Miller would like to meet with the audit firm before hiring them. Supervisor Connie Anderson withdrew her motion.

A Motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To move forward with the firm ABDO EICK & MEYERS LLP Certified Public Accountants. To ask them to attend the January 12th Town Board meeting, for interviewing purposes, to hire this firm for the audit of the 2003 books of Eureka Township. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Mark Malecha. Motion Carried.

The Special Meeting on January 19, 2004 is a legal holiday, no public meetings may be held.

A Motion by Supervisor Kenny Miller: To move the special meeting scheduled for January 19, 2004 at 7:00 to January 20, 2004 at 7:00. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Work

The Township attorney, Louise Toscano Seeba presented the Town Board with a working draft of the ordinances as she has started to put together. Each member of the Town Board received a binder. The binder will be updated as work progresses. She asked the board members to review what she has drafted so far.

Ordinance No. 18 Outdoor Assemblies

Will be addressed later; it is not a zoning ordinance. It will be in new Ordinance 5, Livability.

Ordinance No. 19- Swimming Pools.

Supervisor Mark Malecha would like to add cubic feet measurements. Supervisor Connie Anderson commented that the Ordinance may need to be brought up to State codes, she asked the attorney to check on the current laws. Costs will be moved to the fee Ordinance.

Ordinance No. 19A Subdivisions

Louise Toscano Seeba feels that there should be an Ordinance that deals with subdivisions, even though they are not allowed at this time. A small ordinance should be constructed that covers the bases, showing that the town board has addressed the issue. Ordinance 11 and 19A will be merged at put into a skeleton subdivision ordinance. The applicability to Eureka Estates and Rice Lake Heights needs to be addressed.

Ordinance No. 20 Zoning

- 2.2 Purpose will be moved to Definitions- Chapter 4 New Ordinance No. 1
- 3.1 G Move to Overview Chapter 1 New Ordinance

Section 4: Definitions will be moved to New Ordinance 1

- The definitions need to be reviewed and updated.
- ➤ One source for definitions should not be used as a standard the board of appeals is final decision on definitions.
- Animal Units should be removed-refer to State Statute.

Section 5: General Provisions

- 5.1 B states same as 3.1G with more words
- With provisions or laws, the most restrictive provision or law shall apply.
- 5.1 C will be moved to Section 1- Purpose
- 5.3 Substandard Lot Provisions
- Moved to buildable lots.

Louise Toscano Seeba addressed some of the questions the town board had from the last meeting. She said that you cannot totally exclude mobile homes- State Statute. You need to set strict standards for mobile homes. Mobile home parks should be dealt separately from mobile homes.

A Motion by Supervisor Mark Malecha: To adjourn. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kenny Miller. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:37 pm.