

Eureka Township
Dakota County
State of Minnesota

Eureka Townboard Meeting continued from July 8, 2002

July 9, 2002

Call to Order:

Chairperson Bev Topp reconvened the July Townboard meeting at 7:02pm.

Present were Supervisors Don Pflaum, Clark Smith, Connie Anderson, Kenny Miller, Clerk Oliver Leine and Treasurer Nanett Leine.

Approval of Amended Agenda:

A motion by Chair Bev Topp: To approve agenda with the following additions:

- 5. Planning Commission
 - F. Non- Conforming Commercial Ordinance- Reopen
- 6. Roads
 - B. 265th RR Bridge- Reopen
 - D. Clean Ditch 247th St.
 - E. Denmark Ave. Bridges.
- 7. Old Business
 - D. Mike Northrup
- 8. New Business
 - D. Tax Department Letter- Gravel Tax Survey
 - E. Wat Lao

Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried.

265th RR Bridge

A meeting with Dakota County has been set up for July 16, 2002 to discuss the bridge on 265th St. Bev Topp and Don Pflaum will attend this meeting.

Non-Conforming Commercial Ordinance

A motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To charge \$4.00 for copies of Non-conforming commercial Ordinance. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried.

Clean Ditch 247th St.

Julie Jacobson contacted Supervisor Connie Anderson about trees in right of way on 247th St. Connie checked the ditch in question and reported that there seems to be 2 trees that are a hazard in the right of way and possibly 3 cottonwood trees. Clark Smith and Connie Anderson will measure the right of way to make sure of placement of the trees. Connie will check back with Julie on tree removal plans.

Denmark Bridges

The township received 2 quotes for bridge repairs on Denmark - Labor Costs Only:

Replace Culvert Denmark Ave. North Structure (Pryor Driveway)

1. Hoffbeck Trucking - Lakeville, MN \$6,000
2. Henry's Excavating - Farmington, MN \$5,000

Replace Culvert Denmark Ave. South Structure (Prairie Creek School)

1. Hoffbeck Trucking- Lakeville, MN \$8,000
2. Henry's Excavating - Farmington, MN \$7,000

A motion by Supervisor Clark Smith: To accept quotes from Henry's Excavating for both projects totaling \$12,000. for labor and we provide materials. Motion seconded by Supervisor Don Pflaum. Motion carried.

Box Safety Deposit

Bev Topp reported that a safety deposit box at Marquette bank is \$80.00. Bev will store old minutes in her fire proof safe until keys for the Townships fireproof safe are located or replaced. At that time the documents will be moved to the Townships safe.

Simon Rodeo

Status is unknown. Tim Kuntz received an attempted call from Simon's attorney but has not yet been in contact.

John Hoes- Building addition

Bev Topp has called Mr. Hoes twice, and has not been able to reach him. Mark Malecha only stepped off distances to lot line. Bev Topp will take a tape and measure distances, before any action will be taken.

A motion by Supervisor Kenny Miller: to amend agenda: add under 7. Old Business, D. Mike Northrup- pole shed.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried.

Mike Northrup- Pole Shed

There was discussion on whether Mike Northrup had a building permit for a pole shed that is being constructed on his property. Clerk Oliver Leine issued a permit on 5/16/02. This permit was in question. Upon checking Planning Commission Minutes Mike did apply for a pole building permit on August 13, 2001, along with a 24' x 50' addition to the existing shed. He did not purchase the permit, for the pole building at that time. The permits issued on May 16, 2002 were for the pole building and addition requested Aug 13, 2001.

The August 13, 2001 Townboard minutes showed the shed addition but did not reflect the new shed permit. It was accidentally left out. Planning commission fees stated board approval. A note has been added to August 13, 2001 minutes stating the omission. Calvin Pflaum inspected stakes, but did not approve sight, before construction started.

New Business

Political Candidates at township meetings

The Townboard discussed the attendance of political candidates at Townboard meetings. The following was agreed upon. The Townboard welcomes them to attend meetings, they would be introduced as a candidate for office, if anyone would like to speak to the candidate they may do so outside when they are ready to leave or after the meeting.

The Townboard does not want to reflect any endorsement to any candidates. Clerk Oliver Leine will send a letter reflecting these views to the candidate requesting to speak at the Townboard meeting.

PDR/ Federal Funding

Tabled till later date.

Airlake Airport

Chair Bev Topp presented a recap of the meeting with the Airlake Airport Advisory Commission. Notes from the meeting were presented. See: notes from June 27, 2002. The board discussed the issues. Eureka Township suggested joint powers with Lakeville to run the airport, rather than annexation. It was not favorable commented on. Bev Topp will set up a meeting with Bridget Rief and Mark Ryan, from MAC to see where they stand on this issue.

Tax Department Letter

Chair Bev Topp received a Gravel Tax Survey. Survey asked if the township would recommend keeping current distribution formula. Township is recommending 30% back to community that provides the resource.

A motion by Supervisor Clark Smith to allow Chair Bev Topp to submit the Dakota County Gravel Survey requesting 30% gravel tax to the Township. Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried.

This is only a survey, asking our opinion. It may or may not be enacted upon.

Wat Lao

Wat Lao had a large celebration last weekend in June. Approximately 2000 people on site on Saturday, many cars were parked on Cedar and 225th St. Sunday there were 900-1000 people present. The parking lot was very wet, which probably accounts for the parking on the road. Conditions of the CUP were not followed, dates of large celebrations were not presented / no license for assembly was obtained.

Don Pflaum noted that this was a big event; he has concerns about events of this size.

Supervisor Don Pflaum will check where the Township stands on the bonding provision in ordinance and report back in August. Once the Township knows about bonding issues, Wat Lao will be asked to attend a board meeting and discuss the Townboards concerns and CUP conditions.

Other Business

Clerk and treasurer presentation

The Township received a permit request from Quest to bury a cable on Fairgreen Ave. Oliver Leine will contact them and let them know the cable must be 4 ft deep.

Kenny Miller will represent the Township by attending the County Meeting for CIP projects July 22, 2002, 1:30 to 3:00pm in Apple Valley at Western Service Center.

Checks for County first half tax distribution totaling- \$137,493.89 and delinquent tax- \$4,999.92 to be received in July.

Bev Topp has an Agreement for the revocation of the Roads that needs to be signed and sent to the County. The Townboard reviewed Dakota County resolution for road turn backs. County Road 80 and Essex Ave. Mark Henry will be asked to check culverts and ditches to see if they need any repairs, before Bev signs the paperwork.

Oliver Leine and Nanett Leine will put clustering dots on Map.

Date of Ordinance Meeting

Monday July 15, 2002 Comp Plan/ Ordinance Meeting 7-9 pm.

A motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Supervisor Don Pflaum. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 9:55pm.