

DRESBACH TOWNSHIP

REGULAR MEETING

July 10, 2018

6:00pm

ATTENDEES: Dave McCann, Pat Burns, Bert Bateman, Larry Baeder, Nick Erdmann, Jodi Erdmann, Bryce Lange, Bob Bullis, Steven Pederson, David Gilster, Gary Carlson, Carol Carlson, Mary Leuther, Marcia Ward, Marilee Hedberg, Steve Hedberg, Jim Huerkamp, Bill Nissalke, Jim Keiper, Kerry Brinkman, Brant Amble, Tim Mormann, Bruce Nordeen, Mark Grade, Georgina Bullis, Janice Hoeschler, Mariel Carlisle, Paul Shimshak

-Call to order at 6:00pm

-Pledge of Allegiance

-Minutes to approve: **Reg meeting Minutes from 6/5/18. Tuan makes a motion to approve, Dave 2nd vote 3-0 approved, Sewer Committee Minutes from 6/19/18. Tuan makes a motion to approve, Dave 2nd vote 3-0 approved**

-Treasurer Report submitted to the Board

SPEAKERS

-Maggie Kanz-BMO: here to explain the benefits of BMO Money Market Checking account.

-Bryce Lange-candidate for 5th District

-Lynn Carlson-candidate for 5th District

-Marcia Ward-5th District Commissioner

OLD BUSINESS

-Partnership Agreement with MNDOT: Nothing new to report. Revised agreement was submitted

-Retaining Wall-Wolf property: **Dave makes a motion to send a certified letter to the property owners with deadline for repair or removal. Tuan 2nd, vote 3-0 passes.** Kim will type up a letter and try to get Winona County ordinance information to ensure proper enforcement is followed.

-Drainage Waas Valley: Crawford property is in question regarding the back fill in the drainage ditch. Residents commented that the back fill was done prior to the railroad bridge. Residents say it was the State that put the fill there. May want to ask Duane Maas as he was on the Board at that time. Need to contact Kay Qualley in Winona for some guidance on this issue. Pat will contact Dewey for Certificate of Liability.

-Friends of Dresbach: Update on projects-Donation box has been installed at the boat landing for cash donations and a PayPal account has been set up for on-line CC donations. The slide has been removed and future planning for a new slide may happen. New slide cost is about \$7000. Lending Library is under construction and hope to have installed by end of July. Save your books and drop at Town Hall. 3rd Newsletter will come out soon. Considering a Brat sale for donations at the Park. Bruce asked about installing of the GaGa pit that was discussed previously. Asked the Board to cover the costs however, this was to be a FOD project. Asked to meet to approve location at the park. Will meet Thur at 10:00am. **Tuan made a motion to approve a GaGa pit that will be funded and maintained by the Friends of Dresbach. Dave 2nd, vote 3-0 approved after the Board approves the location.**

-Dave thanked those that helped with the tree clean up at the Park over the 4th.

-Water heater is installed and working. Dave will get bids regarding the standing water issue in the basement.

-Old Mill Road: Railroad gate key. La Crescent said they don't have one, Tim has one and Dakota has one. The Board agreed to send out a letter to the residents on that road about keeping the road clear. **Tuan makes a motion to write letter to residents on Old Mill, Dave 2nd, vote 3-0 passes.** Pat asked that Dave and Jeff still work together to find out who is responsible to maintain that road and who to contact about possibly widening the road.

-Facility Plan Status: letter from MPCA that the FP has preliminarily been approved. Need the Partnership Agreement done and then the CUP.

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NEW BUSINESS

-Sewer Committee update: Recommendation to dissolve the Sewer Committee. **Pat makes a motion to dissolve the committee, Tuan 2nd, vote 3-0 passes**

-Letter from Mark Thieroff regarding Reinhart/Hengel Parcels in the SSD. Letter is dated July 6, 2018. Need to write letter back to the firm stating we received the letter and have them communicated directly with our attorney Troy Gilchrist. **Tuan makes a motion to have Troy Gilchrist review the letter and respond to Siegel Brill/Mark Thieroff. Dave 2nd, vote 3-0 passes** Question regarding who pays for the legal fees associated with this? Sewer Fund or General fund? Kim will ask Gilchrist and MAT for assistance.

-PSIG resolution: Board needs to sign resolution to submit the PSIG Grant application for 2019

-Election judges: Kim is concerned that the Township will not have enough judges for the election in August and November. Haven't heard back from enough and training is approaching. Need to have 3-4 and a couple back ups would be recommended.

-Driveway permit request: Mark Zweig from Sunrise Energy Ventures LLC filled out application in March. Need to issue him a permit to start work. Kim will type up a permit form for approval at the next meeting in August. They plan to start construction in Sept. Pat made mention that they should use at least an 18" culvert.

-Boat Landing: Suggested that we as a Township see about putting in some rip-rap North of the dock as the current is so strong. Might be able to get grant funding from Fish and Wildlife, DNR, Army Corp of Eng. Kim will start looking into this. Dave also needs to purchase rope for dock. Estimate cost \$100. Also, there is no lighting at the dock. See that there are bulbs on the pole by the apple trees, but they don't work. Tim will see about replacing as they may be burnt out. Need to get lighting for safety concerns.

Dave makes a motion to purchase new rope to replace Dave's for the dock, Tuan 2nd, vote 3-0 passes

-Phone for the Township: Kim offered her phone and phone number to the Township. The Township will need to take over responsibility of the service which is estimated to cost around \$50 per month. Kim will see about getting that amount lowered with competitors, but based on conversation with USCell, \$50 was about the lowest amount for a business account. **Dave makes a motion to take over responsibility for phone for the Township, Tuan 2nd, vote 3-0 approved**

-Paint Town Hall: Dave will get bid from painter. Lead Paint removal might be an issue.

-Fire contract for 2019-2020 Dakota: Board needs to sign and sent to Dakota. Brant Amble said he would take to Lana along with the check.

-Money Market account: Board agreed to open an account and Kim will figure out what is needed to ensure existing checking account is covered. Will need to order more checks.

FROM THE FLOOR

Adjourned 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted by

Kim M Low

7/18/2018