

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MIDDLEVILLE TOWNSHIP
3014 CO. RD. 6 SW
HOWARD LAKE, MN 55349
March 14, 2024

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman James Raymond, at 7:00 pm followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Also present were Supervisors Walt Barlow and James Jacobson, PZ Administrator Jessica Elfmann, Treasurer Judy Forst, Clerk Joey Berg, and Maintenance Man Randy Klugow. Others in attendance are noted on the sign-in sheet included with the approved minutes.
2. Kevin Tevhaar (sp ?), owner of North Metro Companies was present. He owns the 38 acre parcel in Section 8, along Keats Ave formerly belonging to Richard Weller. He stated that the County had told him he could obtain a variance from the Township to house several of his "seasonal" employees in his shed that he is remodeling to bedrooms and bathrooms. The board told him, "No, that would not be allowed!" But they will check with the County what they were referring to in that recommendation.
3. Mike Kaczmarek, our County Commissioner gave a brief update on the status of the old County Courthouse. He stated that there may be an interested buyer for the whole property. He also went very quickly over a list of issues that the legislature is working on that he encouraged us as individuals, or even as a board to contact our legislators about.
4. Joey presented the Clerk's report: The February minutes were reviewed. The March misc. receipts in the amount of \$651.00 and claims in the amount of \$14,429.34 were reviewed. Walt made a motion and James J. second to approve the Clerk's report (including claim #s 10261-10278 & EFT#s E032401-E032407). Carried unanimously 3-0.
5. Judy then presented the Treasurer's report: she stated that the balance on hand at the end of February was \$560,879.10. She mentioned we received our fourth quarter recycling incentive, \$561.40 and our portion of gravel tax, \$1,218.19. She noted that there had been interest income of \$290.31 in the month of February of which \$285.51 was reinvested. After a bit of discussion, James J. made a motion and Walt second to purchase a 7-month \$200,000 Certificate of Deposit, which is now earning 5% annually. Carried unanimously 3-0. Walt made a motion and James J. second to approve the Treasurer's report. Carried unanimously 3-0. The board then did an audit of the Clerk's February books along with the Treasurer's report and bank statements. A motion was made by James J. and second by Walt to approve the audit of the Clerk's February books. Carried unanimously 3-0.
6. Planning and Zoning: 1) Jess says with the warm weather we have been having, there have been a few inquiries about permits. 2) Karen Erickson had asked about obtaining a CUP for taking care of dogs. It sounds like she dog sits for a couple of friends now and then. The board didn't feel a Conditional Use Permit would be required for that. 3) Karen brought up again the cemetery issue at Smith Lake. The board doesn't believe we have the right to ask the farmer who owns and farms the land to quit just because someone thinks there might be an old cemetery there. 4) James J. suggested we put a timeline together for the procedure to follow concerning dealing with the property issue in Item 2 above. James R. made a motion and Walt

second to accept the PZ report. Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

7. Road Maintenance Report: Randy reported that he had done a little light blading. He asked about what he should do with the section of Imhoff with the old worn-out tar, that had been put down many years ago by the residents living along it. He said he could just cover it with red rock, but that it would be better to remove the old tar first and then put down the red rock. The board instructed Joey to write a letter and mail it to the residents along the affected part of Imhoff and tell them our plans. It is just so hard to take care of that section with the broken-up tar. James J. made a motion and James R. second to approve the report. Carried unanimously 3-0.

8. Old Business: none

9. New Business: none

10. Meetings:

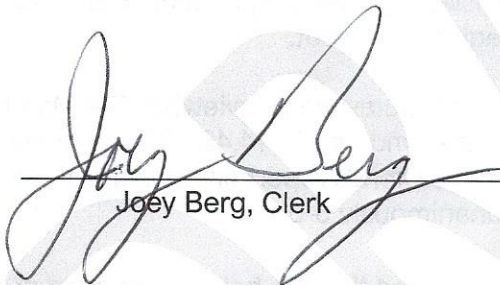
Mar 26 – Spring Short Course, St. Cloud Holiday Inn, 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Apr 4 – Quarterly Twp Association mtg, Middleville Twp Hall, 7:30 pm

Apr 9 – monthly mtg at 7:00 pm

Apr 11 – Board of Review and Equalization, 1:00 pm

11. Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.



Joey Berg, Clerk

James Raymond, Chairman