

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MIDDLEVILLE TOWNSHIP
3014 CO. RD. 6 SW
HOWARD LAKE, MN 55349
March 13, 2025

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, Treasurer Judy Forst, Clerk Joey Berg, PZ Administrator Jessica Elfmann, and Maintenance Man Randy Klugow. Others in attendance are noted on the sign-in sheet included with the approved minutes.
2. Dave Carothers presented a bid he had put together for a new Caterpillar 150JOY Motor Grader. It's close to the same as our old Grader, except with the new upgrades, etc. It includes an 84 month extended warranty and with the trade in of our 2008 Cat 140 Grader, the to-boot price comes to \$392,690. This price is valid until October 31, 2025. The Town Board asked for a little time to consider this, and get back to Dave.
3. Tyler Ashworth presented his plan for splitting a division off of Daniel and Virginia Johnson's farm, PID 212-000-183400. Tyler has purchased the farm, but Dan and Virginia have Life Estate and will continue living on the existing building site. Tyler wishes to split off the N 30 acres of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ where he will build a house for him and his wife. This would leave the remaining E $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ with one remaining building entitlement. The board felt this could be allowed without a survey or a public hearing, since it's basically the same as a quarter of a quarter split for this property.
4. Joey presented the Clerk's report: The February minutes were reviewed. The March misc. receipts in the amount of \$418.61 and claims in the amount of \$18,365.88 were reviewed. Walt made a motion and James J. second to approve the Clerk's report (including claim #s 10463-10477 & EFT#s E032501-E032508). 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 \$702,950.03. We had received our portion of the gas tax, \$34,490.09 from Wright Co. She noted that there had been interest income of \$98.29 in the month of February of which \$92.59 was reinvested. James J. made a motion and James R. second to approve the Treasurer's report. Carried unanimously 3-0. The board then did an audit of the Clerk's January and February books along with the Treasurer's report and bank statements. A motion to accept was made by Walt and second by James J. Carried unanimously 3-0
6. PZ report: Jess 1) mentioned she had been talking with Tyler (covered in item 3). 2) had questions about interior plumbing permits. 3) has had questions regarding equipment maintenance on cell towers. The Board stated we have never required additional permitting for that. 4) has had questions about set backs for personal solar panels. 5) There was more discussion about the Travis McIlree situation. Travis has been in contact with Joey and the whole situation is moving forward, Joey feels, in a positive direction; however, the Board feels he has to be held to the agreed upon May 1, 2025 to be moved off the place. 6) More discussion on the North Metro property. Apparently

there are several RVs on the property again. The Board says it's time to get our attorney involved, so Jess will contact him. Walt made a motion and James R. second to approve the PZ report. Carried unanimously 3-0.

7. Road Maintenance Report: Randy reported 1) he had plowed a little snow. 2) with the warm weather he had done a little grading trying to get the roads in shape for the spring thaw. 3) he wants to get some more red rock hauled here to have on hand. 4) he would like to have Scott Zubrod's help again this summer for hauling gravel. James J. made a motion and Walt second to allow Scott to help for up to 400 hours. Carried unanimously 3-0. James R. made a motion and James J second to approve the Road Maintenance report. Carried unanimously 3-0.

8. Old Business: none

9. New Business: 1) Was discussion on the need for a new vacuum cleaner for the Town Hall. James J. made a motion and James R. second to purchase one for up to four hundred dollars. Motion carried unanimously 3-0. Jim J. will take care of it with his Amazon Prime account and get reimbursed from the Township.
2) Was discussion about Lee Juvland's business and possibly the need for a CUP, with the extra traffic there is getting to be.
3) There is a "Land Use" class in Mankato that Jim J. has looked in to and feels it would be a beneficial one to take in. He plans to register and says it would be good for Jessica also.

10. Meetings:

Mar 25 – Spring Short Course, St. Cloud Holiday Inn, 8 am–3 pm.
Apr 3 – Twp Association mtg at Albion Town Hall, 7 pm
Apr 8 – monthly mtg at 7:00 pm
Apr 10 – Board of Review and Equalization, 1 pm

11. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Joey Berg, Clerk

James Raymond, Chairman