

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
*MIDDLEVILLE TOWNSHIP*  
3014 CO. RD. 6 SW  
HOWARD LAKE, MN 55349  
November 12, 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. Jake Kolasa had questions about requirements or opportunities if he purchases a property in Section 1. He currently is operating an industrial property in Greenfield, MN and would like to move further out from the metro area. The property he is looking at is currently farm land with a CUP for mining gravel. It is zoned "agricultural." The board did not look favorably at this, but Jessica will check into the steps needed to rezone the property and see if it is even a venture feasible to consider.
3. Joey presented the Clerk's report: The October minutes were reviewed. The November misc. receipts in the amount of \$1,776.69 and claims in the amount of \$16,121.60 were reviewed. Walt made a motion and James J. second to approve the Clerk's report (including claim #s 10393-10413 & EFT#s E112401-E112407). Carried unanimously 3-0.
4. Judy then presented the Treasurer's report: she stated that the balance on hand at the end of October was \$595,945.63. We had received our Ag Market Value Credit from the State of MN, \$5,103.45. She noted that there had been interest income of \$6,022.49 (5,863.01 on a matured CD) in the month of October of which \$6,019.39 was reinvested. James R. made a motion and Walt second to approve the Treasurer's report. Carried unanimously 3-0. The board then did an audit of the Clerk's October books along with the Treasurer's report and bank statements. It was discussed what to do with the CD maturing on November 10. It was decided to add \$100,000 from savings and renew it for another 7 months at a 4.75% earning rate. A motion was made by Walt and second by James J. to approve the audit of the Clerk's October books. Carried unanimously 3-0.
5. PZ report: Jess reported 1) there had been questions regarding building permit for bathroom remodeling. It was applied for and is now ready for issuing. 2) there have been questions regarding PID 212-000-102300. It is for sale, a 45 acre property with no building entitlements remaining and people are wondering how to obtain an entitlement. 3) Scott Ziedler wishes to split off the 10 acre farm site of his mother's place, PID 212-000-233300. This includes no "prime farm land" so the board saw no issue with that. 4) the issue at 1607 Keats Ave SW remains of basically an illegal "campground." The MN Department of Health is in the process of addressing this. They are also thinking of having 50 head or more of livestock. They will need a "feedlot" permit for that, which is taken care of by the County PZ. 5) Karen Erickson had requested to be on the agenda for this meeting, but she was not in attendance. The board discussed the Smith Lake issues some more and really feel there is nothing more that can be done from their

perspective. Walt made a motion and James R. second to approve the PZ report. Carried unanimously 3-0.

6. Road Maintenance Report: Randy reported 1) he has been getting the snow equipment ready for what inevitably is coming. 2) he put some conbit down on 40<sup>th</sup> St where there seemed to be a soft spot at the end of the dust control by McCalla's driveway. 3) on the sign reflectivity issue, the state program is now over with and no reporting to them about our signs is being done. The board felt it is still a good idea to keep up with replacing signs when needed and for Randy to kind of keep track of that since he sees all the signs as he is working. Walt made a motion and James J. second to approve the Road Maintenance report. Carried unanimously 3-0.

7. Old Business: Travis Mclree reported that the Department of Human Services had given the go ahead on moving forward with obtaining his mother's property in Waverly. He also stated that his lawyer would be in touch with Jessica regarding the Deed Restriction on his property in Section 4.

8. New Business:

9. Meetings:

Dec 10 – monthly mtg at 7:00 pm

Dec 13-14 – annual conference at St. Cloud River's Edge

10. Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

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Joey Berg, Clerk

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James Raymond, Chairman