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TOWN BOARD ACTIONS

The June meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Jeff Blix - 14 individuals joined the board in the Pledge of Allegiance. One item added to the agenda, roof for old fire hall under Old Business. Minutes were approved as written. The correspondence was reviewed and bills paid in the amount of \$45,600.96. Reports were made by the various department heads.

The clerk reported a busy month still fielding calls regarding property taxes and the Fredenberg Lake Rd and working with the treasurer and the new CTAS program. Election equipment was dropped off for routine maintenance. She explained while the flag was still flying at half-mast and requested help from Walter to correct it.

The treasurer presented his monthly reconciliation. Total funds available as of 11 May are \$464,069.27, which included the \$80,000 in CD. the township holds. One CD is up for renewal and it will be rolled over as in the past.

The Road Foreman received permission to remove the tress on W. Hunter Lake Rd. A few of the roads have been chlorided and graded and gravel is being put down. Chloride application will continue as the roads become ready - with the exception of Beaver River Rd.

Fire Department - had a busy 3 months responding to 13 medical , 1 brush fire and 2 vehicle accidents. They have received their new Yamaha Viking UTV from RJ Sport

and Cycle through the Yamaha Law Loan Program. Training included Haz-Mat, emergency training at the Island Lake North Dike project and Basic Animal Rescue Training (BART). They report rescue 4 is now in service and thanked everyone for their successful pancake breakfast which served 100 more people than last year.

Law Enforcement—nothing
Cemetery - work has commenced on the marker placing and the cemetery was mowed prior to the holiday weekend.

Parks & Rec - we are still looking for help with National Night Out, Clay Cich, volunteered to help Liz with this. They will go to a fire meeting to get particulars. There is a group in the community who would like to help get the ball field ready. They have enough 8-year olds who wish to use it as their practice field. There is also a group who would like to have the tennis court resurfaced and add lines for Pickle Ball as there are several in the community who are enthusiasts.

Community Center - the sewer alarm has not gone off again, but we still need someone to look at it.

Recycling Center - they are looking forward to the security light and they are also going to need to change several lights on the south side of the building. It was asked if anyone knows what happened to the snow fencing that was stored in the building.

Other Meetings - the Board of appeals was held in the last month

and the clerk attended the SLATCO Annual meeting/dinner. During the road review we confronted a vehicle that had driven up the sledding hill. Signs will be posted and rocks installed to prevent further incidents.

Under Old Business: - Fredenberg Lake Road - postcards were sent out to the list given to the clerk which was the same one used to notify individuals of the public hearing. The clerk read the tally and then was questioned over the procedure. The vote was close and immediately contested, with much discussion that followed.

Insurance - the clerk will be getting the new total after adding the Reservoir Riders property and additional insurance to cover the election machines and send that check out.

Website - after much discussion with several agents from the phone company, the consensus is that a router, which they couldn't even find, is obsolete. They can send a new one out, but we will try updating the website at an off site location first.

Roof on the Old Fire Hall - one new estimate was received and the proposal was signed for the new installation. They will also be adding additional insulation.

Under New Business: New ATV Ordinance - the new county ordinance contradicts our local ordinance and there was some discussion as to whether we wanted to update it. As law enforcement aren't enforcing township ordinances anyway, the board decided to leave it as is for now.

With no further business, we adjourned at 8:10pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following items were received and reviewed at the June meeting. Anyone wishing to read this correspondence, or seeking more information, may do so by calling the clerk at 721-3991.

1. From St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Dept. - Letter regarding their requalification for grant programs.
2. From Courri & Rouppe Law Firm - Flier on legal seminar and advertisement
3. From MAT - Flier on Short Courses
4. From City of Rice Lake - Newspaper

EMAILS:

1. From Susan Williams - letter on communications for Fredenberg Lake Rd.

Tidbits from the Past....

The following were taken from the old township ledgers:

"August 20, 1973 - Noble Trygg dictated a letter to Greg Sertich with copies to go to Brad Barrett, Chairman of the County Board and Keith Brownell, County attorney. It concerns a complaint by Mrs. Thyron Thiry about an intruder apprehended in her home who was burglarizing it."

Here is the follow-up on that incident:

"September 6, 1973 - A letter was received from the Office of the Sheriff about the break in at Thirey's. The boy involved was from Superior and the sheriff's office did not know what action was taken since the names of Juveniles is never disclosed.

....And there you have it!

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED
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Exercise classes - wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat. Pay per class or purchase a punch card. The card will be kept at the Community Center.

For more info call Anita at
729-0450 more info.

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*Have a safe and
Happy 4th of July*



The ditch is not a trash receptacle! Let's keep litter in its proper place.

Thank you!

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SPACE LIMITED TO 8 PARTICIPANTS

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For more info or to register, email jdgeiss@d.umn.edu or call 721-3731; They are located at 7328 Boulder Dam Rd, Duluth, MN 55803

WHAT THE HECK IS PICKLEBALL????

At this month's meeting the board was asked if we could re-stripe the tennis court to include Pickleball. What is that you may ask, well it was invented in 1965 by a couple of dads whose kids were bored in the Seattle, WA. area. It has been growing in the US and Canada ever since and is now going international.

The sport involves a paddle, plastic ball and combines elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. It is a sport for all ages and skill levels, easy enough for beginners to pick up, but fast-paced and competitive enough for experienced players.

But why "pickleball"? Stories differ, some say it was named for the dog Pickles who kept running away with the ball. Others because someone likened it to the 'pickle boat' crew which was made up of oarsmen leftover from the other boats since it contained so many elements of other games.

Whichever is true, if you see people playing on the court and you go "What the heck are THEY doing.....it just might be pickleball. Stop and give it a whirl.



*Don't forget Dad
on his special day!*

*Father's Day
is June 19th*

The Fredenberg Volunteer Fire Department

**Would like to thank everyone who
turned out for the Pancake Feed.
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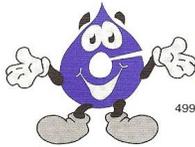
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Household Hazardous Wastes?

Many products you use in your home and yard contain hazardous materials. Improper disposal of these products can cause fires, injuries to people and animals, and groundwater contamination. This guide will help you identify hazardous products in your home. Keep your home safe by disposing of hazardous products properly.

Key: ▲ Take to a hazardous waste collection site / ■ Place in trash / ● Pour down drain (*NOT if connected to a SEPTIC system)

**SEPTIC SYSTEMS may be adversely affected by large quantities of these materials. Items should be taken to a hazardous waste collection site.*

Garage and Workshop			
Acetone	▲		
Adhesive, solvent-based	▲		
Antifreeze	▲		
Artist's paints and media	▲		
Autobody repair products	▲		
Battery acid	▲		
Brake fluid	▲		
Car batteries	▲		
Car wax, solvent-based	▲		
Concrete cleaner	▲		
Contact cement	▲		
Driveway sealer	▲		
Fiberglass epoxy	▲		
Flares / Fusees	▲		
Gasoline and other fuels	▲		
Glue, solvent-based	▲		
Glue, water-based		■	
Joint compound		■	
Lighter fluid	▲		
Motor oil	▲		
Oil filters	▲		
Other oils	▲		
Paint, all types	▲		
Paint cans, empty		■	
Paint thinner	▲		
Paint stripper	▲		
Parts cleaner, degreaser	▲		
Photographic chemicals	▲		
Roof/foundation coating	▲		
Rust remover			●
Shellac	▲		
Stain	▲		
Transmission fluid	▲		
Turpentine	▲		
Varnish	▲		
Windshield washer solution	▲		
Wood filler	▲		
Wood preservative	▲		

YEAR-ROUND HOURS

Thursday	9 am to 5 pm
Friday	9 am to 5 pm
Saturday	9 am to 5 pm
Sun thru Wed	CLOSED

Kitchen and Bathroom			
Alcohol-based lotions (perfume, aftershave)	▲		
Bleach			●
Cleaners, ammonia-based			●
Cleaners, solvent-based	▲		
Cosmetics		■	
Disinfectants			●
Drain cleaner			●
Floor care products	▲		
Hair remover	▲		
Medicine		■	
Nail polish	▲		
Nail polish remover	▲		
Oven cleaner	▲		
Permanent wave solution			●
Skin cream		■	
Toilet bowl cleaner			●
Tub and tile cleaner			●
Window cleaner	▲		

Think Before You Buy!

- Switch to safer substitutes. For a brochure on alternatives to hazardous products, call the WLSSD Hotline.
- Read the label. Make sure the product will do what you want before purchasing. Follow label directions for safe use, storage and disposal.
- Purchase only the amount you need and use up what you buy.
- Avoid aerosols by choosing pump sprays.
- Select water-based over solvent-based products when available.
- Before buying paint, check out the Product Exchange at WLSSD. It's free!



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Aerosol cans, empty			■
Aerosol cans, full	▲		
Ammunition	▲		
Batteries, alkaline			■
Batteries, button	▲		
Charcoal lighter fluid	▲		
Dry cleaning solvent	▲		
Fertilizer			■
Fertilizer with weed killer	▲		
Fireworks	▲		
Fluorescent compact bulbs	▲		
Fluorescent tubes	▲		
Fungicide	▲		
Furniture polish	▲		
Insect killer (insecticide)	▲		
Insect spray, repellant	▲		
Light ballasts	▲		
Mercury compounds	▲		
Mercury, thermometers	▲		
Mercury, thermostats	▲		
Metal polish, solvent-based	▲		
Mothballs	▲		
Pesticide	▲		
Pool chemicals	▲		
Rat poison	▲		
Rechargeable batteries	▲		
Shoe polish	▲		
Spot remover	▲		
Stump remover	▲		
Weed killer (herbicide)	▲		

Proper Disposal

- Give leftover products to someone who will use them for their intended purpose.
- Never pour oil, antifreeze or other hazardous materials on the ground, into storm sewers or down the drain.
- Destroy medicines (add water, salt, etc), seal with tape and conceal before placing in trash.
- Car batteries can be returned to stores that sell them. Stores that sell car batteries must accept them back for recycling.
- TVs, computers, and other electronic waste must be recycled.



Questions? Call the WLSSD Hotline (218) 722-0761

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