FREDENBERG TOWN BOARD MEETING ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MN

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS Oct 21, 2020

TIME & PLACE: 7:00 pm TOWN HALL/COMMUNITY CENTER

The monthly meeting was <u>CALLED TO ORDER</u> at 7 pm by Chair Clay Cich. Also, present were: Deb Pawlowicz, Walter Rapp, Jim Ray, Tim Wagner. Mary Skafte & Diane Palmstein/clerks present, Pam Blekestad, Treasurer was absent. 14 individuals were present and stood with the Board to recite the Pledge of the Allegiance.

1. OPEN FORUM: Kathy Pearson, resident, questioned if the township can take over zoning only on gravel pits as only opinion was from ARDC and was opposed to taking over zoning of gravel pits and cost to do. Deb Pawlowicz, supervisor, stated that it was also the opinion of MAT attorney. She also stated she requested clarification on the Board receiving an anonymous letter and clerk not distributing. Steve Fenske/MAT attorney stated the Board had a right to read the letter. Diane Palmstein/clerk clarified for the Board that correspondence (per policy is Sept. correspondence for Oct. Meeting), letter received Oct. 7, 2020 and the Board was informed of it, there were copies available and only Clay Cich requested it but it was placed in every supervisors' mailbox that night and the letter had been placed in Oct. correspondence for Nov. meeting. Jim Ray concurred that he voiced that it is not read at the Oct. 7, 2020 meeting.

2. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Township Moratorium on Gravel Pits & ARDC study: Resolution 2020-016 and Ordinance 2020-02 presented to the Board, the Board requested that the Ordinance be read aloud, which Diane Palmstein/clerk did. Jim Ray asked what is to be approved, the Resolution included a short version of the Ordinance. The Board decided to vote on both. Clay Cich made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-02: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2020-01 – An Ordinance Declaring a Temporary Moratorium on Gravel Pits, Borrow Pits & Crushing or Batch Plants within Fredenberg Township, Clay Cich seconded. 3 YEAS 2 NAYS. MOTION PASSED. Clay Cich made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-016, Resolution Approving Summary Language for Publication of an Ordinance Amending the Ordinance Declaring a Temporary Moratorium on Gravel Pits, Borrow Pits & Crushing or Batch Plants Within Fredenberg Township, Deb Pawlowicz seconded. 3 YEAS 2 NAYS MOTION PASSED. Clerks will contact attorney to get a clean, no draft copy of both and confirm short version can be published in the Duluth Newstribune, also clarify in Public Library". Mary Skafte/clerk presented information on invoiced amounts for the document " ARDC, which was approved for \$15,600.00 and now has overages of \$653,32 through Sept. Clay Cich will contact ARDC for more information, also clarify what ARDC will have to do further (Public Hearing...) and who will be on a Study Committee (documented in Ordinance verbiage). Total amount spent on moratorium totals \$23,295.59
- B. CARES Funding for Township: Clay Cich stated all equipment and companies to complete work have been set up but waiting on equipment, lower level air exchanger will be done first. The broadcast transmitter has not been purchased yet.
- C. Kennedy & Graven Attorneys: Walter Rapp asked for clerks to contact them for more detailed information on billing, specifics on what was reviewed and worked on, as the Ordinance & Resolution wasn't available until right before the meeting tonight. He asked that information be placed supervisors' mailboxes. Clay Cich stated he will get the packet that was sent to them for review.
- 3. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Clay Cich made a motion to adjourn meeting, Walter Rapp seconded. **MOTION PASSED** Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Board Chair

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