

Unofficial Minutes

MINUTES OF THE CORINNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 3, 2004

7 P.M, Town Hall

Present: Lynne Bonine, Chuck Bonine, Carter Diers, Jim Dearing. Town Board:
Chairman Bill Lieb, Supervisor Dave Stumpf, Clerk/Treasurer Vi Novotne.
Maintenance Men: Mark Miller and Doug Smith
Absent: Supervisor John Dearing

As the Caucus Meetings were Tuesday, March 2, 2004, the meeting was changed to Wednesday, March 3, 2004

Meeting opened at 7 p.m. Dave Stumpf presented motion to approve the Town Board Meeting Minutes of February 17, Joint Meeting Minutes with City of Maple Lake, February 23, and Isaak and 78th Street Project Assessment Hearing Minutes of February 24 as presented. Bill Lieb, second. The motion was approved. With the addition of Jim Dearing's name to the agenda, Dave Stumpf presented motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Bill Lieb, second. Motion carried.

Maintenance Men Meeting: Mark Miller and Doug Smith

1. New pick up truck box is being built this week.
2. Discussed 80th Street maintenance and possible road project engineering issues.
3. Bernie Johnson, 9214 Ireland Avenue, has reported that her driveway edge has a water runoff problem and feels curbing should be extended. Men will make an inspection.
4. Spring Maintenance Training Expo, Tues., April 27 and 28 at St. Cloud. Men received a copy of the brochure. No registration date was determined.
5. Spring Weight Restrictions went into effect on all Wright County highways at noon, Friday, February 27.

Student Chuck Bonine, Annandale High School 9th Grade Student, was welcomed and introduced to the township board members. Chuck received copies of previous meeting minutes and the March 3, 2004 meeting agenda.

Requests to be on the Agenda:

1. Jim Dearing, contractor, representing property owner, Carter Diers of 7638 Isaak Avenue NW. Bill Lieb presented motion to approve a second story addition, 8x30 entry, and 28x36 attached garage on an undersized lot with the understanding that the construction will meet the 15% rule. The existing home is 10'4" from one sidelot. Dave Stumpf, second. Motion carried.

Other Items and Old Business:

1. Joint Resolution and Agreement for future orderly annexation between Corinna Township and the City of Maple Lake Bill Lieb reported that Buffalo Township

collects tax on annexed property at 100%, 1st year; 100%, 2nd year and 50%, 3rd year. Another township received one lump sum. Clerk Vi Novotne reported from MN Township Association Attorney that township can't really negotiate very much with a city for annexation but could consider a leverage of Ag land increasing in taxable value annually and township could justify having the taxes adjusted before distribution. Dave Stumpf will check the annexation process that Chatham Township experienced. At next town board meeting, the board plans to prepare an orderly annexation agreement. Township and City of Maple Lake are to meet again in April.

2. Isaak Avenue to 75th and 78th Street Project. Assessment prepayment letters were mailed to each property owner. Two property owners forwarded letters stating appreciation for the review of their assessment situation.

3. 80th Street/Hemlock Road Improvement. Township Attorney, Tim Young, has forwarded a copy of the presentation for the Annual Meeting, March 9, 2004. Board members, Engineer Campion and 80th Street property owners met February 18. Those present agreed to give township a 66' permanent easement for the road as well as temporary easements. The town board reviewed and approved the attorney's letter draft which stated that these property owners will not receive an assessment for this improvement. Clerk is to forward the property owners names to the attorney's office. An easement agreement is also to be prepared.

4. Topfer Road Relocation Project. No discussion.

5. LarsonAllen, CPA, Rick Borden. Rick Borden could not be attend this meeting to present the 2003 audit review. Another review date is to be arranged before the annual meeting.

6. Annual Meeting and Election – Tuesday, March 9, 2004. Polls will open at 12 noon until 8 with the Annual Meeting to begin at 8:15 p.m. Requests for absentee ballots may be obtained from the clerk's office until 5 p.m., Monday, March 8, 2004. Judges are: Lorraine Miller, Theresa Pearson, Letitia Peterson, Andrea Juetten, Leland Novotne and Mary Arfsten.

The board received and reviewed a copy of the Annual Meeting Report showing the activities of 2003, activities scheduled for 2004 and those proposed for 2005 and the line item comparison budget. This report will be a handout at the annual meeting.

7. Website: Work continues.

8. TH55 Corridor Coalition Meeting, February 20,2004. No report.

9. Local Board of Appeal & Equalization is Tuesday, April 27,2004, at 3 p.m.

10. Township Officers Spring Short Course, March 22, 2004, St. Cloud. Three board members plan to attend.

11. Payment of Claims: Claims covered by check numbers 12082-12108 and EL Transfers 34-36 for the total amount of \$19,291.01 were approved and paid.

As no further business was scheduled to come before the board, the board adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vi Novotne

Clerk