

San Francisco Township Monthly Meeting
June 15, 2020

Monthly meeting was broadcast via Zoom Meeting ID: 828 0056 4106, because of the Governors Stay at Home Order. Present were Board members, Doug Weber, Larry Schmidt and Kevin Lundquist, Treasurer Denise Andersen. 6 residents were present and 2 attended via Zoom. All recited the pledge.

The May minutes were reviewed. They will be posted on the website.

Treasurer reported \$165,140. in checking and \$386,629 in CDs. Report was accepted. Board reviewed accounts payable prior to the meeting. Motion made and passed to approve all bills presented.

Road and Bridge Report: Dustcoating is complete. / Larry will bring minutes from second road review meeting to July meeting. / Terry Dircks and Charlie Seigel are circulating a petition to request a special tax district (SSD) to pay for tarring the Carver Highlands area. Estimated cost is \$13,000 per parcel. Seal coating will cost \$25,000/mile. There will also be engineering cost. There are 52 parcels.

Mining: A public hearing was held May 18 before the SFT Planning Commission to hear public comment on amending Ordinance 8 RE: mining. Minutes from hearing can be viewed separately. / Doug shared a document, written by the town attorney outlining the changes recommended by the Planning Commission, that could become Ordinance 14 amending Ordinance 8. The new Ord defines specific areas of mining operations and acreage limitations. It includes changing the number of trucks allowed to 28/trucks/hr/each way, limits total IUP acres to 80 and sets bonding amounts. Larry made a motion to change the total mine acreage limit to 120. There was some discussion. Motion 2nd with changes applying to all areas of the Ordinance. Passed. Larry suggested a revote on the number of trucks because there was a lot of discussion after the public hearing. The Commission recommended 28. Reminder that the IUP will control individual mines, this is the over all Ordinance. Larry motioned to change it to 30 trucks/hr. Discussion determined Kevin would rather see 28. Doug 2nd. Motion passed 2-1. Bonding was discussed. Commission recommended at least \$3500/Ac of active mine. (35 Acres). Agreement on that amount. County also holds a bond for every mine permit. County regulates water use within the mine. Hours of operation were discussed as well as fencing, tarps and jake braking. Tarping is enforced by MnDot. Larry motioned to leave regulations on jake braking and tarping in the Ordinance. 2nd passed. Cost reimbursement and tying the permit to the operator and the owner will be worked out in the IUP. Larry made a motion to adopt resolution 20-01 creating Ordinance 14 with the above changes. 2nd. Passed. A summary will be published in the papers. Final copies will be recorded at the county, the law library and the townhall when they are available. / There is a public hearing to discuss the IUP application from Chard Grading and Excavation on July 13th at 7PM. / Other mining activity is coming from Ron Olson who has a permit through the county to remove 10,000 yds. of sand and gravel. This is allowed one time per property.

Citizens Committee: Consultant found notes that the town hall was on County Rd 40 until 1961. It was moved for road construction. No word on Historical status.

Old Business: EPA no longer has funds for projects like the tire clean up once done on 187th St. Doug will next try mosquito control. / Doug has talked to Dahlgren township about the road agreement. They have tabled it for now.

New Business: Hancock township has sent a letter to BP Fire that they will not do collection of bills for them. / Scott county is not connected to the DNR burn permit site so anyone with BP Fire should call the fire department before using their permit.

Clerk Notes: Elections are Aug 11. Location can be changed at this meeting because of COVID guidelines and restrictions. Board discussed spacing booths out and allowing only a few voters in at a time. Agreed not to change polling location. / Agendas should be posted on the website at least by the Friday before the meeting. Everyone needs items in by that time.

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted

Heidi Schmidt - San Fran Township Clerk