

San Francisco Township Monthly Meeting Minutes  
April 19, 2021

Board members convened at 6:45 Supervisors reviewed accounts payable and authorized payments. Present were Board members Larry Schmidt (presiding) and Scott Selken, Treasurer Denise Andersen and Clerk Heidi Schmidt, Jason Hill Attorney, 14 residents and many zoom attendees. Larry called the meeting to order and all recited the pledge of allegiance. The March minutes were reviewed via email. Motion carried to approve. Treasurer reported \$234,342. in checking and \$388,647 in CDs. Report was Approved.

Four candidates interviewed with the board after the Special Meeting held on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Scott stated all were good candidates. Scott made a motion to appoint Andy Olson to the seat vacated by Doug because he has worked on the township roads as a contractor and has a degree in Ag Industry. Larry 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

**Zoning:** Callie & Stacy Trimbo are looking for preliminary approval to build a driveway less than 500' from the next road because wetlands prohibit another location. Board will review at Road Tour meeting. Tabled until May. \* Mithaven development name change to Fairhaven. Motion to sign previously approved permit with new name as approved. \* The Kerber culvert on Green Meadow Rod is collapsed. Ron Olson is replacing it with similar size, but plastic it will be longer. Motion passed to add to Road Review. \* Road review meeting scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup>. 7AM meet at the town hall. \* Ron Olson and several neighbors on 159<sup>th</sup> came to talk about a broken tile. It used to go under the road. It was rerouted across private property after it failed. Group wants to reroute to original route under road. Need to close the road for a couple of hours. Neighbors will be notified. Erik Johnson spoke for the group. They agree to route back under the road. Ron will call Soil and Water for approval. Motion to allow road disturbance. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

**Road and Bridge Report:** Dust Coating will be \$54/100'. Attendees have been happy with current provider. Letters will go out shortly and be posted on website. Motion to repeat program 2021. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed. Kellen asked if they will coat the millings on the hills. Board agreed by motion that it should be done. \* Dahlgren Road agreement has not been reviewed yet.

**Mining:** The review time for the EAW for the Proposed Olson mine was extended 31 days at a special meeting 4/6/21. Township engineer is requesting additional information from the proposer and more time to respond to over 200 comments and questions. Phil Solseng reminded the board that the Ordinance states an EIS is required unless the EAW shows it is not needed. Toni asked if the residents will get a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance to comment. The attorney said they will. Ron Olson explained he is working with the county on a permit for restoration of an area disturbed by a removal of gravel within the last two years with a county Administrative Permit. This was issued for removal of up to 10,000 CY. The county wants it closed up with existing material. No trucks should be hauling in or out. Doug asked about the stockpile. It is screened sand and can remain as is until mine decisions are made. Clay pile will be leveled. Toni understands this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> permit request from Olson. The first 2 were in violation. Scott motioned to accept the county restoration plan. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

**Citizens Committee:** Phil expects the hired consultant to have the plans and spec for rehabilitation 60% complete by June 1. Preliminary Grant application is due July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Foundation is deteriorating quickly even since 2018 report. The best plan may be to replace the entire foundation instead of repair. Wendy from the Carver County Historical society will be at the May CAC meeting to help with grant application. \* The board would like to see a quote and design for the historical plaque before approval. Tabled.

**Old Business:** Jason (Town Attorney) is working on a draft Right of Way Ordinance. Defining township roads is a long drawn out process with surveys and landowner agreements.

**New Business:** Residents would like the agenda to be posted earlier.

**Notes from the clerk:** CCAT position was vacated by Doug. Scott will agree to go to the meetings. Approx. 4 per year. He was not an officer. \* Met Council is working on the final 2040 Comp Plan. Our township should stay informed on the process and discussions. There is a website to review.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:18PM

Respectfully submitted: Heidi Schmidt

San Francisco Township Clerk