



Little Falls Township

Little Falls Township Minutes Regular Meeting October 7, 2019, 7pm

1. Chairman Parins called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Present: Charles Parins, John Theis, George Sandy III, Bonnie Bieniek, Joann Sowada

Others: Greg Smith, Ron Woltjer

2. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Approval of Minutes:** George Sandy III made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting, September 9, 2019 with one correction in the Road Report. John Theis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. **Approval of Agenda:**

John Theis made a motion to approve the agenda. George Sandy III seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. **Old Business**

a. Comp Plan:

There was a draft presented to the Township Board with a timeline to create the plan. A discussion was about setting dates for the meetings with the final date being December 2020. The Board has been assigned to review the document.

b. ROW Violation/Closing on 155th Ave:

There was a discussion about 155th Ave and the violations occurring since the road should be closed. Road Supervisor would like to write a work order to have the County put barricades in the middle with a line of posts row to row edge. There was still more discussion. Supervisor Sandy will check with the County for what the cost would be.

c. Ron Woltjer, Rezone Request:

Ron Woltjer attended the meeting to share his plan for the land that he would like to rezone from Agricultural to Residential. Ron explained the plan. The plan is attached to the minutes.

Woltjer relayed the message that the Commissioners would like a letter from the LF Township Board in support of this rezoning.

Having heard from Woltjer and his plans for development and coupled with the partially executed purchase agreement, Supervisor Parins made the motion for the LF Town Board to call to question to support Woltjer's plans. John Theis seconded the motion. A discussion was had by the Board members. Called to question. There were 2 votes for and 1 vote nay. George Sandy III voted nay because of Woltjer's letter written to the Commissioners. Motion carried.

d. Road Mileage: 44.6 or 40.9 miles

George Sandy III made a motion to certify the TWP mileage at 40.9 if not counting shared town line roads and 44.6 if we are counting entire town line roads. Charles Parins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

e. Gravel for Harness Road:

George Sandy III made a motion to rescind the motion on gravel quotes from Saehr and DLL for this year and readdress gravel quotes again in the Spring. John Theis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

f. Land Use Planning Update, (Amy Kowalzek):

There was a discussion about what the possibilities would be with the different land choices sections. The Board will talk more intensely at the next Special meeting.

6. New Business

a. Address Authority to Sign Checks:

A motion was made by Charles Parins which establishes the authority to sign TWP checks. Past Deputy Treasurer, Adrian Sowada's name will be removed. Signing the new Pine Country Bank card was established to name: Treasurer-Joann Sowada, Deputy Treasurer-Dick Knopik, Clerk-Bonnie Bieniek, Deputy Clerk-Dave Becker, Supervisors-Charles Parins, John Theis, and George Sandy III. John Theis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

7. Routing of the bills: George Sandy III made a motion to approve paying Claim #9934 to #9954 and Check #9993 to #10013. John Theis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

8. Reports:

a. Treasurer's report: \$108.32 Interest @ 0.04 Percent:

George Sandy III made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. John Theis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

b. Road Report:

Supervisor Sandy reported work finished in the past couple of weeks being: mailboxes fixed, Greg Colombe finished cutting. Township lawnmower quit working and there is a need to buy a new one. *George Sandy III made a motion to buy X350 48" deck John Deere lawnmower not to exceed \$4,000.00. John seconded the motion. Motion carried.

9. Public Comments:

10. Correspondence:

a. September Building Permits:

The Board examined the new building permits in the Township.

11. Calendar:

- a. October 7, 2019 7pm – Regular Meeting – LF Town Hall
- b. October 16, 2019 7pm – MC TWP Meeting – Govt Center
- c. October 21, 2019 6:30pm – Special Board Meeting – LF Town Hall
- d. November 4, 2019 7pm – Regular Meeting – LF Town Hall
- e. November 5, 2019 7am – 8pm – Election Day – LF Town Hall
- f. November 18, 2019 6:30pm – Informational Meeting Comp Plan – LF Town Hall
- g. December 2, 2019 5:30pm-Regular Meeting; 6:30pm-Social/Town Meeting – LF Town Hall

Annual Conference – November 22-23, 2019 at Mankato

12. Adjournment:

George Sandy III made a motion to adjourn at 9:45pm. John Theis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Charles L. Parins, Supervisor- Board Chair

John Theis, Supervisor- Vice Chair

George Sandy III, Supervisor

Joann Sowada, Treasurer

Bonnie L. Bieniek, Clerk