

## **CASCADE TOWNSHIP**

### **OLMSTED COUNTY – MINNESOTA BOARD MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2011**

Call to order at 6:00 pm at The Calvary Evangelical Free Church Meeting Room. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were: Chairman Lenny Laures, Supervisor Arlen Heathman, Supervisor Harold Atkinson and Clerk\Treasurer Joe Vroman.

Attendees present: Deputy Val Coe, Steve Buehler, Dana Sigrist, Mike Brown, Gary Pederson, Judy Ohly, Eric Tourdot, Wayne and Earlene Laursen.

#### **Sheriff Deputy's Report:**

Deputy Val Coe updated the Board on her patrol activities. There were 33 calls for service.

#### **Township Board Continuing Business.**

- A motion by Heathman to approve the minutes from the January 10th meeting, seconded by Atkinson, motion approved.
- Supervisor Heathman made a motion to pay the January Joint Powers bill of \$18,593.71, seconded by Atkinson, motion approved.
- A motion to pay the remaining Cascade bills was made by Heathman, seconded by Laures, all voted in favor to pay the total bills of \$78,129.38, motion approved.
- Treasurer Vroman gave the financial report at the meeting. The checkbook balance at the end of the January 10th, 2011 meeting was \$577,539.19. Included in that total were the deposits in January, checking interest of \$100.16, and Olmsted County final tax payment of \$7,974.34.  
Checks written at this meeting totaled \$78,129.38 for an ending checking balance on February 10, 2011 of \$499,409.81. Motion to approve the treasurers report was made by Heathman, seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

#### **Township Board New Business**

At 7:00PM, Eric Tourdot, engineer with WHKS, and consultant for Hallmark Terrace and Zumbro Ridge Estates came before the Board to request sponsorship to cover the project with grants. They are requesting the Township's support for a project to connect Hallmark Terrace and Zumbro Ridge Estates wastewater to the City of Rochester's collection system. This request will be forwarded to the Township attorney for comment.

At 7:30PM, the Board discussed an amendment to add language to their ordinance in the A-4, Agricultural Urban Expansion District that will address Licensed Residential and Non-Residential Facilities and how they may be allowed as required under MN State Statute(s). Discussion followed with Steve Buehler who purchased the property on 75<sup>th</sup> Street NW where the “elder-care” facility existed in the past.

A motion by Heathman to adopt the text amendment to the Township Ordinance for A-4 Zoning district. This was seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

A motion by Heathman to approve the new 2011 TCPA fee schedule, seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

A motion by Laures to not object to the Shefelbine property annexation by the City of Rochester, seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

A review was done by the Cascade Board on the Olmsted County Township Officers Association resolution on the no build policy on railroads presented at the last meeting of the association. The Board said there was no justification for the money block for the Southern Rail Corridor, that the resolution should be rewritten, as the 1<sup>st</sup> statement is not accurate and this Board cannot support the resolution as it is currently written.

Motion to adjourn was made by Heathman, seconded by Atkinson, motion approved at 9:00pm.

Submitted: Joseph Vroman, Clerk