

MINUTES OF THE HAVEN TOWN BOARD MEETING
March 21, 2016

The Haven Town Board met at the Haven Town Hall on Monday, March 21, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Jeff Schlingmann. Members present: Chairman Jeff Schlingmann, Supervisor Mark Knowles, Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski, Supervisor Randy Linn, Clerk/Treasurer Mike Zniewski, Legal Council David Meyers and Deputy Clerk Tammy Schefers.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski made a motion to accept and to approve the agenda with adding under Old Business County Road 91. Supervisor Mark Knowles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SHERBURNE COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT

The Sherburne County Sheriff reported that there were 53 incidents for the month of February. He was asked to watch for speeding on County Road 8 and 4-wheelers in the ditches.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to approve the minutes. Supervisor Randy Linn seconded the motion. The motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

There were no building permits.

BILLS OUTSTANDING

Mike Zniewski	\$ 440.00
Mike Zniewski	\$ 60.88
Jeff Schlingmann	\$ 1,270.00
Jeff Schlingmann	\$ 221.85
Penny Weihrauch	\$ 80.00
Rinke Noonan Attorneys at Law	\$ 70.50
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BergenKDV	\$ 5,475.00
City of Clearwater	\$ 1,500.00
Sherburne County Historical Society	\$ 500.00
Palmer Holding DBA Citescape	\$ 539.88
Quill	\$ 295.18
Citizen / Tribune	\$ 47.43
Citizen / Tribune	\$ 81.79
Xcel Energy	\$ 261.92
Sherburne State Bank	\$ 5.00
PERA (Deposit)	\$ 188.60
Total:	\$ 11,072.33

Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to approve and accept the claims. Supervisor Randy Linn seconded the motion. The motion carried with: 4 – Aye /1-Absent / 0- Opposed

PUBLIC HEARING/COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

Clean-Up Day – Is set for May 14, 2016. The time is 8:00 a.m. – Noon.

Annual Meeting Re-Cap-The meeting went well. There were approximately 25 people who attended. The Levy passed for \$370,000.00. Road Construction projects will begin starting in the Elk River Estates area.

Amendment to Create Uniform Fines for Town Ordinance Violations – Legal Council David Meyers talked with the Board Members about ordinances set up as misdemeanors for violations. After the Board discussed this, they will have Legal Council David Meyers go through the township ordinances and bring back to the Board next month the ordinances that should be recommended to change to petty or misdemeanors.

County Road 91 – This road 31st Avenue SE is shared by Haven Township and Clear Lake Township. Clear Lake Township proposed to Haven Township to maintain the road and bill Haven Township for their cost. (Winter maintenance, etc...) Clear Lake will bill Haven Township at the conclusion of winter maintenance for payment of its portion of the said road (29%) based on lineal footage. After the Board discussed this, Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to accept and approve the resolution (R-2016-100) presented on the Agreement for the division of maintenance responsibilities for a certain town road intersecting the Clear Lake – Haven Town Line. Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS

Chairman Jeff Schlingmann – He will be attending a Meeting on MS4

Zoning Issues: There is a possibility that a house in Valley View Neighborhood will be purchased for a transition home for people in need. Chairman Jeff Schlingmann received a phone call from a Denise Fale, the president of the St. Cloud chapter of the NAACP (The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People). She informed him that she may be putting money down on a house at 3675 13th Avenue SE in the Valley View neighborhood and use it for a transition home for people in need.

Supervisor Randy Linn – None

Supervisor Mike Pesch – Excused Absence

Supervisor Mark Knowles – Talked about 32nd Street SE & 52nd Street SE with the Railroad Crossings. The design work is being done now and there is a possibility that the process will start in 2016 or 2017. He is working on getting bids for the Elk River Estates Addition.

Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski –She is working on Clean-Up Day. The Airport did not have a March Meeting. She will be attending a workshop meeting on Roads.

The Haven Township Local Board of Appeal & Equalization is set for Thursday, April 14, 2016, at the Haven Township Hall at 1:00 p.m.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Residents from Valley View Addition were at the Board Meeting with concerns about a home that is in the area that might be sold and turned into a transition home for people in need.

Ginny Kurr – She stated that she is very supportive of these types of places; her concern is that the term “disabilities” is very large. There is no guarantee the people who are housed there have not been criminals at some point. She also is concerned that there will be no busing for these people way out of town. This area is not the proper place for this.

Mary Ellen Holverson said that she had contacted the State Department of Health and Human Services and they had not seen any request for this yet. She also spoke with Felix Schmeising and he had not heard of it either. She said that the neighborhood is a little edgy because there has already been theft in the area.

Bonnie Schwichtenberg asked if it is out of the Township’s hands, where can they be directed to talk about the concerns that the neighborhood has.

Tom Schwichtenberg would like clarification on all this and wants to be informed on what will happen before it is too late. He would like to meet and discuss this with the president of the NAACP. He thanked the board for keeping them informed.

Tom Cucuzza – He is the Pastor at Northland Bible Baptist Church on County Road 8. His concern is that they have a school with children there 5 days a week. People already wonder the property. What will happen if this house is not monitored.... Will more people be wondering down County Road 8? He feels this is not the right choice for this area. Is there somewhere we can get more information and comment about this?

Bob Holverson – Is concerned that there will not be enough staff for this home to monitor the people living there. There needs to be licenses that are always up to date.

Tom Tschida – He has a border line with the property. Is it possible someone else could purchase the property? He is concerned and wants to be informed also.

Meg Lewis – Asked the residents to stay after the meeting to decide what the next steps the neighborhood should take. She also asked if the neighborhood could use the township hall for a meeting to discuss this issue at another time.

Chairman Jeff Schlingmann thanked the neighborhood for conducting themselves tonight with such a large group and with something so controversial. He stated: “You were respectful to the Board and hopefully we’ve been respectful to you.”

COMMUNICATIONS

- Sherburne County Community Partner Meeting
- Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer – Cost Share / Election Equipment
- Sherburne County Tax Rates
- Sherburne County Association of Townships Meeting
- Rinke Noonan – Public Road Seminar

ADJOURN

It was moved by Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski seconded by Supervisor Mark Knowles to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Chairman

Date

Clerk / Treasurer

Date