

**MINUTES OF THE HAVEN TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**August 18, 2014**

The Haven Town Board met at the Haven Town Hall on Monday, August 18, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Jeff Schlingmann. Members present: Chairman Jeff Schlingmann, Supervisor Mark Knowles, Super Kathi Sims-Kosloski, Supervisor Randy Linn, Supervisor Mike Pesch, Clerk Mike Zniewski, Legal Council David Meyers and Deputy Clerk Tammy Schefers.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Supervisor Randy Linn made a motion to accept and to approve the agenda. Supervisor Mark Knowles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**READING OF THE MINUTES**

Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to approve the minutes. Supervisor Mike Pesch seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**BUILDING PERMITS**

There were three building permits.

**SHERBURNE COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT**

The Sherburne County Sheriff reported that there were 70 incidents for the month of July.

**BILLS OUTSTANDING**

Mike Zniewski	\$ 717.50
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Jeff Schlingmann	\$ 1,110.00
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Gloria Plombon	\$ 110.00
Penny Weihrauch	\$ 1,042.50
Lynn Schneider	\$ 315.00
Jon Schmidt	\$ 315.00
Diane Reed	\$ 390.00
Virginia Mezera	\$ 285.00
Kim Koepp	\$ 315.00
Kathleen Johannes	\$ 285.00
Dale Johannes	\$ 315.00
Pat Engen	\$ 300.00
David Meyers	\$ 640.00
Rinke Noonan Attorneys at Law	\$ 595.22
Rinke Noonan Attorneys at Law	\$ 239.00
Rinke Noonan Attorneys at Law	\$ 86.00
Jeff Rhodes	\$ 1,947.50
Xcel Energy	\$ 59.01
Frontier	\$ 65.13
U.S. Postal Service	\$ 232.00

City of St. Cloud (CMWEA)	\$	198.00
B & G Excavating, Inc.	\$	187.50
Jim Primus	\$	122.00
Sherburne State Bank	\$	5.00
PERA (Deposit)	\$	199.76

Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to approve and accept the claims. Supervisor Mike Pesch seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING/COMMENT**

Variance Request – Jim & Joan Schlenner talked with the Board Members about requesting a 44’ variance in setback from the right-of-way of 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE for a porch addition on the existing house. Required setback from the right-of-way is 67’. The porch will be 23’ from the right-of-way. They will also be replacing the existing tar & gravel roof with trusses and shingles. The board discussed how it is already non-conforming. What are the standards of the Township criteria used in the past, present and for the future? At 7:17 p.m. Chairman Jeff Schlingmann opened up the variance request for the general public to comment. Penny Weihrauch made the comment that if everyone else on that road is out of compliance, it is foolish for the board not to give a positive comment for the porch variance request. It was also mentioned that they pulled the permit to improve the roof, and at the same time, the porch would improve the property. Chairman Jeff Schlingmann closed the public comment at 7:25 p.m. After more discussion from the board Supervisor Mike Pesch made a motion to give a negative comment on the variance request. The motion died due to a lack of a seconded. Then Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski made a motion to give a No Comment for the Variance Request. Supervisor Randy Linn seconded the motion. The motion carried. 3 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Abstained.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Town Hall Update – The furnace and attic insulation will be taken care of. The Board should think of ideas for a sign.

Town Bridge Program- Sherburne County applied for state grants to help the Township out with the removal of the 54<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge project. The Board will not hear anything till fall on this issue. There was a resident that talked with Chairman Jeff Schlingmann asking the board to reconsider leaving the bridge there for walking, biking and 4-wheelers.

Visual Aids – Monitors for Township Hall – Chairman Jeff Schlingmann is still looking into this.

Feedlot Regulations – No new updates.

Signage – Still in the working process with the 25 mph signs. Supervisor Mark Knowles handed out an informational sheet on the signs that need to be addressed in 2015 for reflectivity. The board has a couple of options. He asked the Board Members to look

over which way that they feel they want to use. There will be more discussion next month on this issue.

County Road 66 – The Township is still waiting to hear from the County on the progress of this.

Central MN Water Education Association Membership – Chairman Jeff Schlingmann attended a meeting and said that the Township should become members of this. The fee for the rest of the year is \$198.00. (The Board Approved) The annual fee for 2015 is \$476.00. (The Board Approved)

Recycled Asphalt Project- Supervisor Mark Knowles decided to not proceed with this project on 65<sup>th</sup> Street / 55<sup>th</sup> Ave, due to lack of board support and there are still other areas that need funding prior to this.

Fee Schedule – The Board was handed out the Haven Township Fee Schedule. The members looked it over and it needs feedlot, driveway, and work done in right-of-way amounts on it yet. It also should have a minimum deposit stated on it. David Meyers will revise this and bring it back next month.

#### **UPDATED ITEMS**

APO – Supervisor Mark Knowles, Chairman Jeff Schlingmann and Penny Weihrauch attended the meeting. They all said it was a waste of time. Supervisor Mark Knowles made the suggestion that we quit the membership of the APO, for it is falling apart and they have no funding to support anything. The board will consider not spending township money on this again. There are other projects in the township that could use this funding.

Zoning – None

Airport Update – The airport still has flights continuing. The advertising is getting better. They had trouble with the new hanger, but it is almost complete.

Roads– There will be more trimming of trees in certain areas and road patching.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Sherburne County Economic Development Authority – Kathleen Heaney and Dan Weber talked with the Board about a resolution authorizing the township of Haven to participate in the Sherburne County Economic Development Authority. They handed out informational papers. After discussion on this Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the Township of Haven to participate in the Sherburne County Economic Development Authority. Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### **BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS**

Board of Canvass – The Board of Canvass will meet on November 4, 2014 at 8:30 p.m.

Chairman Jeff Schlingmann commented on the variance request. In his opinion, the Board Members should never make a no comment when sending a recommendation to the Sherburne County Board.

Supervisor Mike Pesch made the comment that the Board Members should not be reluctant to enforce the rules that have been made and created by the Township.

Supervisor Mark Knowles asked if the Board completed the Township Road right-of-way ordinance. David Meyers will look into this and report back to the board.

Supervisor Mark Knowles asked if Minden Township could be billed one time at the end of the year for 7<sup>th</sup> Street SE for the Grading, Mowing and Snow Plowing Haven Township has done for them. This road is to be cost shared.

Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski has had issues about dogs going out of a neighbor's yard.

The Township paid \$701.00 for clean-up day.

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Penny Weihrach reported that there were 10% of voters for the preliminaries. She also was wondering if anyone knew what was going on at the closed golf range next to her.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- MN Association of Township Meeting – September 3, 2014
- Sherburne County Engineer – Comments for Amcon Plat
- Sherburne County Planning/Zoning – Public Hearing Notice
- Sherburne County Planning/Zoning – Decision for the Knife River/Prom Pit EAW
- Canine Agility Course IUP Concern
- Conservation Tour Invite – Thursday, September 11, 2014

**ADJOURN**

It was moved by Supervisor Mark Knowles seconded by Supervisor Mike Pesch to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date

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Clerk / Treasurer

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