

MINUTES OF THE HAVEN TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 15, 2017

The Haven Town Board met at the Haven Town Hall on Monday, May 15, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairman Jeff Schlingmann. Members present: Supervisor Jeff Schlingmann, Supervisor Mark Knowles, Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski, Clerk/Treasurer Mike Zniewski, and Deputy Clerk Tammy Schefers.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski made a motion to accept and to approve the agenda. Supervisor Mark Knowles seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SHERBURNE COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT

The Sherburne County Sheriff gave the report for April, 2017. There were 94 incidents.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to approve the April 17, 2017 board meeting minutes along with the Board of Appeal & Equalization Minutes. Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

There were no building permits.

BILLS OUTSTANDING

Mike Zniewski	\$ 270.13
Mike Zniewski	\$ 522.50
Tammy Schefers	\$ 1,565.00
Tammy Schefers	\$ 16.78
Tammy Schefers	\$ 24.00
Kathi Sims-Kosloski	\$ 2,225.00
Kathi Sims-Kosloski	\$ 182.74
Harold Imholte	\$ 40.00
Boy Scouts Troop 13	\$ 750.00
City of Sauk Rapids	\$ 365.00
Xcel Energy	\$ 195.63
Frontier	\$ 160.65
Connexus Energy	\$ 184.51
Continental Press Company	\$ 524.03
B & G Excavating, Inc.	\$ 95.00
B & G Excavating, Inc.	\$ 617.50
B & G Excavating, Inc.	\$ 375.00
Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc.	\$ 2,295.00
Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc.	\$ 6,065.00
Bogart, Pederson & Associates, Inc.	\$ 250.00
Rinke Noonan Attorneys at Law	\$ 179.97
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MN Association of Townships	\$	2,941.00
MN Association of Townships	\$	50.00
Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer	\$	6,378.00
Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer	\$	17,803.50
Sherburne State Bank	\$	5.00
PERA	\$	10.13
PERA (Deposit)	\$	<u>295.65</u>
Total:	\$	44,761.42

Clerk/Treasurer Mike Zniwski asked the Board to add the claims for Harold Imholte - \$40.00, Boy Scout Troop 13 - \$750.00 and Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer - \$17,803.50. Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to add these and to approve and accept the claims. Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski seconded the motion. The motion carried with: 3 – Aye / 2-Absent / 0-Opposed

PUBLIC HEARING/COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

Railroad Crossings 52nd Street SE – The Railroad Crossing construction will take place in the fall of 2017 or later. The Board is still waiting for signatures from property owners.

50th Avenue SE - This road used to be a private drive and the Township has been maintaining it. Supervisor Mark Knowles and Legal Council David Meyers will continue working with the property owners on this road to discuss options of it becoming a private drive again.

Elk River Estates Road Improvements – Supervisor Mark Knowles, Chairman Jeff Schlingmann, Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski, Jon Bogart and all the vendors included in this project will meet for a meeting to discuss the process and get a schedule in line to begin this project. The meeting will be held on May 30, 2017.

Road Maintenance Update – Jeff Rhodes will be working in the Elk River Estates area, fix pot holes where needed within the township, winter signage and continue tree trimming again next fall.

Clean-Up Day – Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski talked about Clean-Up Day. It was held on May 13, 2017. She was very pleased with the over all results. There were 200 households who participated. 34 Bikes were brought in for the Yellow Bike Project for St. Cloud State University. She wanted to thank, Supervisor Jeff Schlingmann, Gloria Plombon, Tammy Schefers and the Boy Scouts Troop 13 for all helping on that day to make it a success. A thank-you also goes out to Mike Zniwski who got all the vendors in place to collect the junk. The Board also thanked Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski for being the Leader of the Clean-Up Day Committee.

Haven Township gave the Boy Scout Troop 13 a donation of \$750.00 for helping on Clean-Up Day. It was discussed to give them more money. After the board discussed this option, Supervisor Mark Knowles made a motion to give the Boy Scout Troop 13 an increase in donation money for the year 2018. The Haven Township Board will set aside a donation of \$1,000.00 towards the Boy Scout Troop 13 for helping the Haven Township with Clean-Up Day next year which will be in May, 2018. Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Nitrate in Private Wells – The MN Department of Agriculture offered a program for residents to check the nitrates in private wells. This project was done in 2014-2015. Jennifer Gallus from the MN Department of Agriculture spoke on a final overview of nitrate levels in these private wells. The following townships were selected for the testing: Becker, Big Lake, Clear Lake, Haven, Palmer and Santiago. Out of these townships there were two who had more than 10% of the wells that were over the Health Risk Limit of 10mg/L of nitrate-nitrogen. These two townships were Haven and Clear Lake. In 2017 the MN Department of Agriculture will start a mitigation project in Clear Lake and Haven Township. They are looking to find a committee of 10 members and no more than 20. If interested in this project, feel free to contact Jennifer Gallus at Jennifer.Gallus@state.mn.us

BUSINESS FROM THE SUPERVISORS

Chairman Jeff Schlingman – He talked about the MS4 Annual Public Hearing which will be set for June 19, 2017. He also will be attending the MATT Summer Short Course on Board of Appeal & Equalization.

Zoning Issues: None

Supervisor Randy Linn – Excused Absence

Supervisor Mike Pesch – Excused Absence

Supervisor Mark Knowles – He will touch basis with the Railroad Company to see when the 52nd Street project will be started. He will also get the “Haven Road” sign ordered for the Highway marking.

Supervisor Kathi Sims-Kosloski – There is an Airport Meeting she will attend in June. Clean-Up Day went very well. A Thank-You went out to all who participated.

CLERK UPDATE ITEM

Deputy Clerk, Tammy Schefers, Thanked all the people who took part in the beautiful flowers that they sent to her mother’s funeral service.

PUBLIC INPUT - BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Dennis Klein was concerned that the board is taking too much of his land for the 52nd Street project. The board reassured him that they are only looking to establish a legal 66’ right-of-way for that road. There are no other plans on that road other than to improve the railroad crossing. If a road order is not established on this road, then the road will become a dead end.

Ervin Popp addressed the board with his concerns on 13th Avenue SE. There is a home that is constantly having the police there and making arrests. It is a half-way-house. He asked the board what they can do to resolve this problem. All hours of the night there are people coming and going at this location.

Randy Weiman also had concerns of who takes care of these homes in the area with the long grass. Who mows the bank owned lot? Chairman Jeff Schlingmann will call the bank to see if they can take care of that lot. As far as the other lots with long grass, it is the homeowner’s responsibility.

Chairman Jeff Schlingmann did speak with the property owner at the home on 13th Avenue SE and she made the comment that she was not planning on renewing her license to operate the facility once it expires in July.

COMMUNICATIONS

Sherburne County Planning & Zoning – Proposed Amendments to County Subdivision Ordinance Regarding Common Septic Systems

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 8:16 p.m.

Chairman

Date

Clerk / Treasurer

Date