

OFFICIAL MINUTES
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

March 7, 2017

BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP HALL
25130 HICKORY BLVD., BELLE PLAINE, MN

Present:

Robert Koenig – Chairman
Myron Bratsch – Treasurer

Dale Stier – Supervisor
Kristy Bieder - Clerk

Gary Schmitz – Supervisor
Greg Felt – Township Engineer

Others Present: Linda Hansen, Ginny Hansen, Bryn Davis, Adam Volek, Matt Kes & Pat Krings

1.) Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Bob Koenig at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the February 2017 Board Meeting minutes were presented, on a motion by Schmitz, seconded by Stier, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the February Audit Budget Meeting minutes were presented, on a motion by Schmitz, seconded by Stier, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the Treasurer’s report as presented, on a motion by Stier, seconded by Schmitz, all in favor, motion carried, with the following February 2017 balances:.

Checking	\$ 671.19
MM/State Bank BP	\$ 344,510.23
Total:	\$ 345,181.42

Receipts: \$25,029.79

2.) Walk In /Agenda Requests:

Building Permit - Matt Kes – Matt Kes was present to ask permission to build a pole shed on his property off Union Hill Blvd. although he doesn’t have the exact amount of acreage for the size of the shed he would like to put up. The board is willing to make an exception since there was a 30x45 barn previously on the property that burnt prior to the Kes Family purchasing. Also, Matt will also be tearing down several, old outdoor building prior to putting up the new building.

Annexation – Pat Kring with the City of Belle Plaine was in attendance to have the Resolution 3.7.17 – Joint Resolution for the Annexation of Property pursuant to orderly annexation agreement signed. The resolution was presented, on a motion by Schmitz, seconded by Stier, all in favor, motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment - Chairman, Robert Koenig signed the letter approving that the Belle Plaine Township has received a unified plan document for an amendment for the 2008 Belle Plaine Comprehensive Plan related to the Tatiana Cricket Fields. The UPD proposes to change the planned land use of 10.02 acres parcel adjacent to Commerce Drive West from medium/high density residential to commercial. The planned land use change will allow for the establishment of a commercial recreation use comprised of athletic fields and future structures suitable to use for playing cricket, lacrosse and potentially soccer.

Drainage Issue – Linda & Ginny Hansen were present to speak with the board about the drainage issue on their property located at 26540 Laredo Avenue. Linda is having some surface flooding and has a sink hole in her horse pasture due to the tiles running the length of her property not working properly. There is an easement to divert the water flow from the

farmland to the ditch. The water isn't running through the tiles and emptying in the DNR pond. The board members will review the issue on their road review in April but it appears this would not be a township issue but yet a broken tile that would need to be fixed.

Internet Services– Bryn Davis resident off of Bluff Court was in attendance to discuss the internet issues that all residents deal with when using Frontier services. Bryn has been working with Xtratyme Technologies to have a 90 foot antenna put in her backyard to provide internet services. There is no cost for the installment as long as she is able to find 10 residents that would have services with Xtratyme. Chairman, Bob Koenig did make Bryn aware that a public hearing would need to be held to notify neighbors of the possibility of the antenna. A motion to move ahead with the internet antenna was approved, on a motion by Schmitz, seconded by Stier, all in favor, motion carried.

Road Reclaimer Safety – Gary Schmitz asked for permission to order a road reclaimer safety for the township in the amount of \$1,115.00 plus shipping. Chairman, Koenig approved this purchase.

Feral Cat Colonies – Clerk, Bieder asked if anyone was aware of any feral cat colonies in Belle Plaine Township. Bieder explained that feral cat colonies are where stray cats will live together in a community. Bieder has been working with MNSnap & the Humane Society and has been granted funding to get 50 cats spayed and/or neutered fixed. Bieder has two colonies she is already aware of that with approximately 35 cats total. Resident, Linda Hansen said there around 18 feral cats that live at the farm previously owned by Mueller at the intersection of Laredo Avenue & 250th Street W.

3.) Road Report/Issues:

GLFelt LLC Engineering – Myron asked the board if they were okay with paying for Greg Felts engineering credentialing and licensure fees to keep him another year as the Township Engineer. The board was anonymous with agreeing this would be an asset to our board as long as it was under \$500.

4.) Other Business:

Burglaries – Detective, Adam Volek with Scott County notified the board that there have been several burglaries of outdoor buildings in the township lately.

Road Work Solicitation – We will use the same verbiage as last year but will add that you must include a copy of your Accord Liability Insurance Document & Employer Identification Number/Federal Tax I.D. number if you awarded.

Dust Control – We will try to lock in the date of May 20th for the dust coating to be completed.

5.) Review and Approval of Claims for Payment:

Motion by Schmitz and seconded by Stier to approve claims for payment, motion carried.

<u>Check</u>	<u>Individual/Business</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Amt.</u>
4477	Dvorak Excavating	Snow Plowing	\$ 1450.00
4478	Belle Plaine Herald	Legal Notice	55.01
4479	Scott County Treasurer	Ballot Printing	193.72
4480	Wendy Kornder	Deputy Clerk – Feb. Meeting	60.00
TOTAL CHECKS:			\$ 1,758.73

6.) Meetings Attended: Myron Bratsch and Bob Koenig met with the City of Belle Plaine in regards to annexation.

7.) Motion to adjourn: Motion made at 8:25 p.m. by Koenig and seconded by Schmitz to adjourn.

Supervisor

Minutes prepared by: Kristy Bieder, Clerk