

OFFICIAL MINUTES
BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING
 Tuesday, August 1, 2023
 BELLE PLAINE TOWNSHIP HALL
 25130 HICKORY BLVD., BELLE PLAINE, MN

Board Members Present:

Chairman Mark Schultz, Supervisor Tony Kornder, Supervisor Steve Cox, Treasurer Myron Bratsch and Clerk Peggyann De Voto

Others Present:

Cynthia Smith Strack, Dawn Meyer, Brian Entinger and Jeff Klehr

- 1) **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) **APPROVALS:** Approval of the July Board Meeting as presented, on a motion by Supervisor Cox, seconded by Supervisor Kornder, all in favor, motion carried.

Approval of the Treasurer’s report as presented, on a motion by Kornder, seconded by Cox, all in favor, motion carried, with the following balances:

Checking	\$ 9,772.68
Money Market	\$ 207,247.42
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 162,276.71
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 306,265.07
Total:	\$ 685,561.88

Receipts: **\$ 2,868.00**

Review and Approval of Claims for Payment:

Motion by Cox and seconded by Kornder to approve claims for payment. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>Check</u>	<u>Individual/Business</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Amt.</u>
5221	Klehr Grading ang Excavating	Grading Roads Inv #4731	4,050.00
5222	Ag Partners	LP gas Town Hall Inv #19768	304.48
5223	Myron Bratsch	Treasurer Wages	1,310.25
5224	Peggy De Voto	Clerk Wages	1,965.38
5225	Steve Cox	Supervisor Wages	1,752.98
5226	Mark Schultz	Supervisor Wages	1,149.39
5227	Tony Kornder	Supervisor Wages	1,106.93
5228	P.E.R.A,	D.C.P. 5% Retirement	703.50
	E.F.T.P.S.	IRS Tax Payroll Payment	1,076.36

TOTAL CHECKS \$13,419.27

3) **Walk-In Agenda Requests:**

- There weren't any walk-in requests.

4) **Other Business:**

- Cynthia Smith Strack presented the Belle Plaine Comprehensive Plan Amendment. This is a minor amendment to the planned use of 29 acres that is currently agricultural. The amendment applies to PID 201020010, 201020020 and 201020040. A 144-unit apartment complex consisting of four 36-unit buildings is proposed for PID 201020040. Ancillary use includes parking, in ground pool, dog park, and play features, there is also a potential retail facility on PID 201020010. Cynthia Smith Strack and Dawn Meyer were asking the Board to review and acknowledge the amendment request. The Board signed the paperwork acknowledging notification and review of the amendment.
- Brian Entinger presented a request to install a second driveway at 7551 W 270th St. Supervisor Kornder made a motion to approve the permit request. Supervisor Cox seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- Chris Schwingler sent a request on behalf of MVEC for a Right of Way Users permit. The permit is to splice into an existing primary to place a new 1 ph transformer. Cox made a motion to approve the permit request. Kornder seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- The Board reviewed the Orderly Annexation agreement with Belle Plaine, a few minor adjustments were suggested and Clerk De Voto was asked to send the PDF of the agreement to Cynthia Smith Strack and C.C. Dawn Meyer to bring to the City of Belle Plaine.
- Don Oldenburg called requesting a fence viewer negotiate his disagreement regarding a fence he shares with Colt Oldenburg. De Voto was asked to draft a letter to Colt Oldenburg.

5) **Road Reports & Issues:**

- Homestead Road and Old 169 – work needed to be postponed but Cox felt that his crew would get to it within the week.
- Harvest Way - concerns about an area of thistle and trees in the right of way. The Board requested that mowing be done sooner than last year to avoid thistle going to seed.
- Chairman Schultz spoke to Meghan Darley regarding the many complaints that the board has received regarding crop damage resulting from the wind drift of the noxious weed control chemicals. Meghan has advised that the Board provide residents with concerns the contact information for Casey Acres LLC. Contact person is Jake Borchardt and the number is 952-378-7727.

6) **Permit Report:** Board reviewed the permit report for last month.

7) **Meetings Attended or Upcoming:**

- SCALE Water Committee – July 18th was not attended
- MAT District meeting – August 9th No Board members were expecting to be able to attend
- Annual Meeting Continuation – September 5th 6:30pm

- 8) **Motion to Adjourn:** Motion made to adjourn by Kornder at 8:38, seconded by Cox. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman: Mark Schultz

Minutes prepared by: Peggyann De Voto, Clerk