Munson Township Board of Supervisors

# **Meeting Minutes**

# **April 20, 2020**

# The regular monthly meeting of the Munson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 8:00 PM on April 20, 2020 by Chairman, Butch Gertken. **This meeting was held by teleconference by a motion from Burg, second by Willenbring. Roll call vote, all yes.**

**Present**

## Joe Willenbring, Matt Burg Clerk, Boni Behnen, Treasurer, Dick Behnen, P & Z Ad., Lynn Burg, P& Z Chair, Orville Willenbring.

Others present: Ward Issaacson, Marvin Leither and Jason Ver Steeg.

**A motion to approve the town board minutes from March 16, 2020, was made by Burg, seconded by Willenbring. Roll call vote, all yes.**

**Treasurer’s Report**

Income $37,509.73 Expenses $18,815.99 Balance $430,458.04. **A motion to accept the Treasurer’s report was made by Willenbring, seconded by Burg. Roll call vote, all yes.**

**Variance**

Ward Issaacson, 20854 Elmway Road, 23.14112.0000 was requesting a variance for 19 feet from the road right-of-way instead of the required 30 feet and meets the 63 feet setback from the center of the existing road. The P and Z Board had a public hearing on April 2 and made a recommendation to the town board to grant the variance with a 4-0 vote. **A motion from Willenbring, second by Burg to approve the variance. Roll call vote, all yes. Resolution 2020-3.** Lynn will provide Ward with contact info for the county to move forward with the next steps. Resolution 2020-3.

**Mining Pit Renewal**

Duininck Bros, Inc. 23.13787.0000 State Hwy 23 (Hennen Gravel Pit) was requesting an interim use permit to continue mining/wash/hauling, maintenance operation and add an asphalt plant. There was a discussion concerning changing the hours of operation. It was decided to adhere to the hours of operation as listed in our ordinance so that all pits remain equal. The P and Z Board recommended approval on April 2. **Motion to grant the renewal and asphalt plant was made by Burg, second Willenbring. Roll call vote, all yes. Resolution 2020-2.**

**Rezoning Request**

Andy/Deanna Leenstra, 24011 County Road 23, 23.14553.0005 were requesting .3 acres from A-40 to R-1 zoning. The P and Z Board with a 4-0 vote denied the requested change at their meeting April 2. The town board also denied the request with a **motion by Burg, second, Willenbring. Roll call vote, all yes. Resolution 2020-1.** Citing the following reasons:

1. The requested zoning change is contrary to the Township’s proposed long-range land use plan; and
2. The proposed zoning change would disrupt the continuity of the Agricultural Zoning District as all other parcels within the district are zoned A-40: and
3. The change of zoning would establish a precedent for similar zoning amendment requests of agriculturally zoned properties.

**Resolutions 2020-3, 2020-2, and 2020-1** will all be signed by the chair and clerk tomorrow due to COVID-19 restrictions**. Motion by Burg, second Willenbring. Roll call vote, all yes.**

The preliminary plat for Marvin and Diana Leither is ready to be signed. A motion was approved at the February meeting to sign it when ready. Gertken and Orville Willenbring will go to the Leither’s home to sign. As it turned out, Orville’s signature was not needed and Boni met Diana at the town hall to sign.

**COL Fire Update**

The COL fire did not have a meeting due to COVID-19. Bills were paid. They have not had any coronavirus calls.

Pat Johnson, Twilight Acres Resort was requesting a renewal of her liquor license. **Motion to grant the renewal was made by, Willenbring, second Burg. Roll call vote, all yes.** Boni will sign the document and send it to Pat.

**A motion to sign the Resolutions Authorizing Contracts with Officers was made by Burg, second by Willenbring. Roll call vote, all yes.** The documents will be signed at the next in person board meeting.

There was a discussion on allowing the Planning and Zoning Board having meetings every month if needed to comply with the 60-day rule. Extensions were also discussed. The issue was tabled until the next month.

The board also discussed placing restrictions on building permits during road restrictions. This issue will be revisited next year since road restrictions are almost ready to expire.

Due to COVID -19 meeting restrictions the annual road inspections can not be held as usual. Everyone would need to be in separate cars. A date will be decided at the next meeting. In the meantime, Fruitwood Road improvements had been discussed last fall and Ralph had been informed to buy Class 5 so improvements could be made as soon as road restrictions were lifted in the spring. The cost of improvements being estimated at $20-22,000. **A motion to begin work on Fieldstone and Fruitwood Roads when road restrictions are lifted was made by Willenbring, second Burg. Roll call vote-all yes.**

**Dust Control Quote 2020 Season**

Central Mn Dust Control

Dustgard PLUS Liquid Magnesium Chloride 33% (Normal Product Application Rate of .3) Equivalent to 38.5% Calcium Chloride

.55 Per Foot @ 18 Feet Wide

**A motion to award the Dust Control work to Central MN Dust Control was made by Willenbring, second Burg. Roll call vote, yes all. A motion to dustcoat all Dutch Ave and 243rd to the blacktop was made by Burg, second Willenbring. Roll call vote, 2 yes. Gertken abstained.** Gertken lives on 243rd Ave.

**A motion to pay bills and was made by Burg, seconded by Willenbring. Roll call vote, yes all.** Bills were paid in the amount of $ 6,076.00 using check numbers 6747-6761. Gertken will sign the claims list and checks when he meets up with the treasurer tomorrow. The other two supervisors will sign the claims list at our next non teleconference meeting.

**A motion to pay Gertken for shouldering roads was made by Willenbring, second by Burg. Roll call vote, 2 yes**. Gertken abstained. Check #6758

**At 8:53 the meeting was adjourned.**

Minutes submitted by: Boni Behnen, Clerk

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