

Minutes of the regular Board meeting of the Town of Normanna, Minnesota, St. Louis County, held in the Normanna Town Hall, on Monday, February 27th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Chair Daniel Johnson at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chair-Supervisor Daniel Johnson, Supervisor Dennis Gunsolus, Supervisor Kimberly Grubb and Clerk-Treasurer Ellen Hanson. Absent Geoffrey Brown.

Others in Attendance: Eric Norland, Bill Prudhomme, Paul Hanson, Kurt Johnson, Jeff Cooke, Vivian Hanson.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Johnson added to the agenda under new business Census. Motion by Johnson to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Grubb. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: The January 31st, 2012 minutes were review. Motion by Johnson to approve the January 31st, 2012 Board minutes as amended, seconded by Gunsolus. Motion carried unanimously.

Normanna Fire Department (NFD): Eric Norland reported there were two runs.

Normanna Land Use Committee Report: Gunsolus reported there was nothing new to report.

Buildings and Grounds Report: Johnson reported there was nothing new to report.

Road and Bridge Report: Johnson reported there was nothing new to report.

Fire Department Liaison: Johnson reported he had met with the department. They had discussions about the budget, PERA, and the Relief Association forms.

Clerk's Report: The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting will be Wednesday, April 18 from 6-7:00 p.m.

Old Business

Cloquet Valley Internet Broadband: Grubb reported on the committee meeting.

Resolution 2012-02: The resolution is to join into a Joint Powers Agreement with other townships in the region to more formally coordinate and cooperate to bring improved broadband internet to the township of Normanna and the other townships. The agreement has been developed in such a way that protects the authority and financial integrity of Normanna Township and its officers. Motion by Grubb to accept Resolution 2012-02, seconded by Gunsolus. Motion carried unanimously.

PERA Funds: There were additional forms given to Hanson to file.

Fire Department Rescue Saw Request: The Fire Department had a request last month to purchase a Rescue saw. The Board discussed the purchased with the department members. The department revised their original proposal of \$1775 to \$1360 by eliminating the depth gauge. Motion by Johnson to approve the modified request, seconded by Gunsolus. Grubb abstain. Motion carried.

New Business

Superior Hiking Trail: Representatives gave a progress report on the grant. Their goal is to begin making trail around May 1st.

March Annual Meeting Agenda: The Board had a discussion on the agenda presented by Johnson. It was agreed to remove the item Land Use Committee Report. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Grubb to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

2013 Levy Amounts: The Board had a discussion on the 2013 proposed levy amounts. Motion by Gunsolus to recommend \$20,000 for the Fire Fund, \$20,000 for the General Fund, \$30,382 for the Road & Bridge Fund, and all other fund at zero, the total will be \$70,382, seconded by Grubb. Johnson opposed. Motion carried.

Annual meeting reports: Reports if they need to be copied should be to Hanson or Johnson by Monday, March 12.

Treasurer's Report: Clerk Hanson distributed the Cash Control Statement, Net Pay Account Distribution Report, and Claims List for approval to the Supervisors. The claims list is attached and the other reports are in the Clerk book.

Beginning Balance – 01/01/2012 - \$122,986.38
Total Disbursements – January - \$4,215.11
Outstanding Checks - \$4,100.75
Total per Bank Statement – 01/31/2012 - \$124,932.24
February claims 1861–1865 totaled \$6,147.51 were presented for approval.
February payroll checks 2063-2066 totaled \$556.67

Motion by Johnson to pay the claims as presented and accepted the January cash control statement, seconded by Gunsolus. Motion carried unanimously.

Census Form Survey: Gunsolus reported that the census form was completed.

Petitions from the Floor: Bill Prudhomme announced that another Fire Department member resigned.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Checks were signed.

The next meeting of the Board will be **Wednesday, March 28th, 2012** at 7:00 p.m.; Reorganization meeting at 6:00 p.m.

A motion by Johnson, seconded by Gunsolus, and carried adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Hanson, Clerk

Daniel Johnson, Chair