

**Clearwater Township  
Regular Board Meeting      (Approved)  
August 10, 2015**

The regular meeting & Public hearing for the Town of Clearwater was called to order by Chairman Dan Mol at 7:30 p.m. on Monday August 10, 2015 at the Clearwater Town Hall.

Board Members present: Chairman Dan Mol, Vice Chair David Nelson, Supervisor Scott Miller, and Clerk Jean Just.

Absent: Treasurer Kristin Helwig

Visitors as signed in: Oralyn & Pat Fisher, John Notsch, Bill Langenbacher, Shane Nelson, Adam Thiele

After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda and the reg. meeting minutes of July 13, 2015 as presented. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Clerk Jean Just read the Treasurer's report. Miller moved to accept the report as presented. Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**Guest/Public Comment:** None

**Update Illsley Ave Project**

Shane Nelson & Adam Thiele were present from Hakanson Anderson to review the scope of the project. Nelson indicated that the project is to correct sight line obstructions from the vertical curves. Currently you cannot see a car over the crest of the hill. The idea is to cut hills, fill in low spots and to make curves wider where possible while staying within the road right of way. They provided a demonstration on a computerized AutoCAD simulation to show the board how the roadway would look once the project was completed. The project has been redesigned to have under a half acre of impact to wetlands in the hope that it would not be held up by the Army Corps of Engineers. The next step would be to approve the plans and send the project out for bid. The board discussed waiting until Spring to go out for bids since the project would not take place until then, however, they would like to get it out early so that the contractors' have it as one of its first project of the summer. Board decided that it would prepare the bid package and have it ready for the January meeting.

**Update on 159<sup>th</sup> Street/Hempel**

Mol indicated that he had been out to examine 159<sup>th</sup> street and stated that there was not a lot that could be done with in the road right of way that would help the situation. The road is not a Township maintained road and if we try to raise the road we do maintain it will send more water down the road. Miller asked if a culvert would help to make it go off the right of way to the west. Ludenia indicated that he did not feel that would help and could cause other issues since there is not a ditch to have the water run. Discussion regarding what could be done to help the homeowners was made with the final decision that without the road being brought up to township specifications there was nothing the board could do.

**Fisher – Variance of division of land on a car-way and available "entitlements"**

Oralyn & Pat Fisher approached the board regarding the division of their land which they had discussed with the board at the July meeting. They have not done any changes to the plan except rather than "petition" the Township for a cartway, Oralyn and I along with John Fisher and Lois Adams are establishing a cartway by way of the dedication statute, Minn. Stat. 164.15. They will be meeting with the County board on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015. After brief discussion Nelson made a recommendation for the approval of the division of land and lot line adjustments as drawn. Miller seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

### Road discussion 125<sup>th</sup>/Hart/120<sup>th</sup> & 140<sup>th</sup>

Ludenia indicated that he has met with State of MN to see about doing improved road surfaces on the above mentioned roads. Very little would need to be on 140<sup>th</sup> Street from Hwy 24 to the bridge. The road was redone and would need to have a crown put in. On 125<sup>th</sup> to Hart and 120<sup>th</sup> there would have to be some reshaping and 120<sup>th</sup> which is a town line road with Corinna Township would have to have matting put in. The improved road surface would be a chip seal that is a hard surface that uses granite dust and liquid asphalt to pave roads at a lower cost than conventional bituminous paving. Ludenia indicated that it has been used in Silver Creek Township and is holding up well. The board discussed the difference between conventional black top and chip seal noting that the cost of chip seal is about 1/3 of the cost of conventional black top. Both would have to be chip sealed again every 5-7 years. Ludenia indicated that Corinna Township has made a motion to go ahead and share the cost of with Clearwater Township on 120<sup>th</sup> Street to have it matted yet this fall in case they decide to move forward with a hard surface. The cost of the project would be approximately \$8,000 – \$10,000. Nelson made a motion to approve the matting of 120<sup>th</sup> Street which will be shared with Corinna Township. Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The board also agreed that they would wait until spring to go for quotes since the season for chip sealing is already over.

### Update on Dahlberg/Beavers Kennel

Mol updated the board on the Planning & Zoning review on the kennel. Several neighbors were at the County meeting and indicated there has been improvement of both the barking and roaming of dogs. Planning & Zoning agreed to continue for one year and have the Township do a re-evaluation in 2016.

### Heink Parcel #204-100-104201 163<sup>rd</sup> Street – turn over to township

Just indicated that Mr. Heinke has a parcel that is owned by him, however, it in the middle of the township road. He would like to have that quick claimed over to the township and not owned by him any longer. After a brief discussion Nelson made a motion to have Clerk Just work with the Township Attorney to have the parcel turned over to the township. Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### Correspondence if Any:

- Thank you from Wright County Sheriff's Office for use of our facility
- LBAE online training – Miller & Mol will set up a time to do
- Clearwater Watershed Dist. Public Hearing 9/9 (no one attending)

### ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT- MIKE LUDENIA

\*Road Count updates: board reviewed

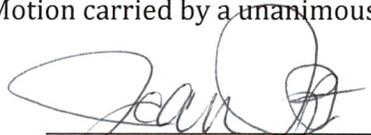
\* Huber & 150<sup>th</sup> Corner – Ludenia is working on getting paperwork done for delineation at a 3-1 pitch.\* Sander on truck is leaking – Quote on Sander was reviewed; **Miller made a motion go replace the sander quoted at \$5,065. Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

\*Currently Brush mowing and are done on the south end, DNR is putting in a parking area off of 140<sup>th</sup> street to stop people parking on road, Mike will be putting in the road approach. Mike will check on some wash out areas on Grover and 160<sup>th</sup> street by Gohman

\*Mike talked about the lot that is for sale at the end of Grover after much discussion the board indicated they would not spend more than \$10,000 for the property. Clerk Just will check with listing agent to see if seller would go that low.

**Review of Bills:** A motion was made by Nelson and seconded by Miller to pay claims covered by checks #9432-9454 and eft 080815, eft 81015f, eft 81015p, eft 81115 Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

With no further business to come before the board, Miller moved to adjourn Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 pm.

  
Jean M Just, Clerk

  
Dan Mol, Chairman

Date 9/14/15