

Royalton Township Board Meeting

December 11, 2012

Approved

7:45 pm, December 11, 2012, Chairman Wayne Olson called the Royalton Township Board Meeting to order with Supervisors Leslie Orvis and Marshall Pearson, Treasurer Wendy Tchida and Clerk Roberta Folkestad present. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion by Supervisor Pearson to add Haug Construction and set of truck chains to the agenda and to approve the agenda, second by Chairman Olson, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Supervisor Pearson to approve the November 27, 2012, minutes as read, second by Supervisor Orvis, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Supervisor Orvis to approve the Treasurer's report as read, second by Supervisor Pearson, motion carried unanimously.

After reading and discussing payroll and claims; motion by Supervisor Pearson to pay check #s 6643 through 6669 in the amount of \$4,931.26, with check #s 6630 through 6642 being void; second by Supervisor Orvis, motion carried unanimously.

Old business:

There will be a hearing held at 6:00 pm, December 18, 2012, for an amended conditional use permit for Heidelberg Farm Equipment LLC.

The next working planning commission meeting will be held at 7:00 pm, January 8, 2013, to discuss the Amended Conditional Use Hearing. The public is welcome, but will not be allowed to comment about the conditional use permit or hearing.

After discussion, Chris Wurm gave Royalton Township permission to turn the road patrol around on his property. Frost Drive will be graded and snow plowed as needed.

Supervisor Orvis stated that the pickup truck usually parked near the lived in travel trailer has not been there, but he will stop and talk to him soon.

Road Superintendent Alan Teich reported that the culvert extension has been installed on Homer Road, but that it has not been filled in around it. Someone will check with Grasston Excavating about getting it done.

There was discussion about the new town hall building. Mr. Troy Haug was in attendance and talked about construction management, which does not have to be bid out, general contractor, and public bidding. He proposed the township hire construction management for full time supervision and having everything laid out in order.

Supervisor Orvis has written to the Minnesota Township Association attorneys asking if getting a bank loan was something the township could legally do. He has not received a reply. The Town Board agreed to have Supervisor Orvis forward this letter to Royalton Township Attorney Kevin Hofstad to get his opinion about a bank loan of up to \$200,000.00 without raising the levy or bonding.

The Town Board set a working planning commission meeting for 7:00 pm, Tuesday, January 15, 2013, to finish up the details on the new town hall building.

New business:

Motion by Chair Olson to approve and sign the Braham Fire Department contract for 2013, second by Supervisor Orvis, motion carried unanimously.

There was discussion about the December 18, 2012, public hearing for an amended conditional use permit for Heidelberger Farm Equipment LLC. The meeting will be recorded. The public will be asked to sign in and put an "L" behind their name if they received a letter about the hearing. They will sign a second sign-in sheet to be allowed to speak. There will be a two minute speaking time limit. There will be no rebuttal and no verbal abuse will be allowed, if there is, the party/parties will be asked to leave or will be removed by the Pine County deputy who will be attending the hearing. Chair Olson will be the time keeper. The Clerk will purchase two tape recorders.

The Board of Audit will meet at the end of the February 2013, regular meeting, after a short recess.

Motion by Chair Olson for Road Superintendent Alan Teich to purchase a set of truck chains, second by Supervisor Orvis, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Supervisor Orvis for Chair Olson to purchase a white board for a couple of hundred dollars, second by Supervisor Pearson, motion carried unanimously.

The status of the unpermitted trailer house at PID# 29.0134.000 has been worked on by the attorney and is proceeding into January 2013.

Insulating the shed ceiling will possibly be done next week.

Chair Olson and Road Superintendent Teich have made a list of road signs that need replacing. There are about six of them. The road superintendent and the Clerk will order the signs.

Filing for Township Offices is open from January 1, 2013, through January 15, 2013. The offices open for filing are: supervisor for a three year term and treasurer for a two year term.

There was general discussion.

Being no further Board business, motion to adjourn by Supervisor Pearson, second by Chair Olson, motion carried, unanimously; 8:40 pm, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Royalton Township Clerk,

Roberta Folkestad

Chair, Wayne Olson

Supervisor, Leslie Orvis

Supervisor, Marshall Pearson