

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Ford Town Board
September 14, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall

1. Board Members Present: Doug Bassett, Kim Johnson, Steve Venhuizen, Edna Cole and Sarah Berry.
Board Members Absent: none
Present: Alan Hancock, Zoning Administrator
Citizens present: Wayne Anderson
2. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Bassett.
3. Set and Approve Agenda: M/S/C by Bassett and Johnson to approve the agenda with the addition of Findings of Fact and Kennel Standards under Zoning Administrator Report. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Citizen Comment: The Kanabec Conservation Club was scheduled to be at the meeting, but the County turned down their request to sell some land to the MN DNR. No other citizen comment.
5. Zoning Administrator Report: Hancock went through his report. In addition to the report he stopped in at Woodland Jacks to look into a request on adding a smoking room to the building. Hancock also stopped in at Maryanna Toth, section 23, about a driveway that was put in without a permit. He gave her the application.
Findings of Fact: Board chair Bassett signed the Findings of Fact for Chapter 310 Mining Operations and Chapter 315 Towers and Wind Energy.
Kennel Standards: The board reviewed the draft of the Kennel Standards Chapter that the Planning Commission approved to send to the board. No action was taken at this time.
6. Planning Commission Report: Simple Plats—Board will identify if this is a chapter that still needs to be worked on.
7. Review of Upcoming Meetings: No Planning Commission in October or November. Board meeting: October 12th—7:00 p.m.
8. Review and approval of minutes: M/S/C by Johnson and Venhuizen to approve the August 9th Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
M/S/C by Johnson and Bassett to accept the August 3rd Planning Commission minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Treasurer's report. Treasurer and Clerk presented cash control statements that balanced. M/S/C by Bassett and Johnson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Review and Approval of Claims for payment. M/S/C by Venhuizen and Johnson to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Payroll checks 2545-2552 totaling \$1,371.38; Claims #6680-6696 paid by checks #2553-2567 and Automatic Withdrawals eft #164-165 for a total of \$3,064.53; total disbursements: \$4,435.91.

11. Old Business

- a. Road and Bridge: Bassett will meet with Kelly Osterdyk on October 4th to look at erosion control near the Snake River Bridge in Ford Township.
- b. Fire Representative: M/S/C by Bassett and Johnson to appoint Steve Venhuizen as the Fire Representative. Motion carried. Venhuizen will contact the Isle Fire Department to get information from the last meeting.
- c. Sale of Old Computer: Johnson is interested in buying the old township laptop computer. It was in need of work and was not working for the clerks needs. Approved to sell to Johnson for \$50.
- d. Conservation Club Land: The County will not let the land be sold to the DNR since it would turn to PILT taxes and would be a reduction in County taxes from what it currently is.
- e. Storbeck Issue: Johnson will contact Attorney Scott Berry on this.
- f. Telephone: The Town Hall phone has been disconnected.
- g. 2011 Budget: Board will look at the 2011 budget at the October meeting. Discussion of the Zoning Administrator cell phone and internet. The board will use \$50/month as a starting point for these costs. Discussion of different items. Cole will bring a preliminary budget to the October meeting.
- h. Non-Conforming: Discussion. Tabled at this time.

12. New Business.

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13. Mail: Reviewed by the Board.

14. Review of upcoming meetings:

15. Adjournment: M/S/C by Johnson and Venhuizen to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Sarah Berry, Clerk of Ford Township