

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY
MEETING OF THE CHISAGO LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2025**

The regular monthly meeting for February 18, 2025, was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Reed. Those in attendance were Chair David J. Reed, Supervisor Wayne Houle, and Sherry Stirling, Treasurer Judy Straub, and Clerk Jeanette Peterson.

Chair Reed asked the Board for approval of the minutes from January 21, 2025, regular monthly meeting. A motion was made by Houle, seconded by Reed, to approve and wave the reading of the minutes from January 21, 2025, regular monthly meeting. Motion carried.

Additions to Agenda and Approval of Agenda

Chair Reed asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda. Supervisor Stirling requested we add – Lindstrom Fire Contract update under Old Business and add – CL school district using townhall as a polling location for a special election on May 13, 2025, under New Business. A motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Variances, Plats and Conditional Use Permits

- ❖ John Palmer came before the board requesting a 2nd driveway addition to his property on 13711 Panola Drive, PID #02.00333.20. After reviewing a motion made by Stirling, seconded by Houle to approve the 2nd driveway request at 13711 Panol Drive. Motion carried.
- ❖ Bryon & Judy Dahlheimer-32730 N Center Ct-PID #02.01079.00 is seeking several variances to construct a residential home, on existing property, variances are necessary because of an existing non-conforming lot size. After reviewing a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to approve the variances to construct a residential home at 32730 N Center Ct. Motion carried.
- ❖ Adam Arneson – 11820 Mentzer Trl PID #02.01612.00-requesting a variance to demolish all current buildings and build a new home within the 75 ft from ordinary high-water mark. After reviewing, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to approve the variance to build a new home within the 75ft from ordinary high-water mark. Motion carried.

Old Business

❖ Lindstrom Fire Contract update - Supervisor Stirling informed the board that she had met with Lindstrom Fire Chief, Scott Sellman, Lindstrom Administrator Daniel Udem, and Lindstrom Finance Director Kay Mattson, regarding the new fire contract and their only concern was how we were going to address inflation costs. They are going to have their attorney review the new contract. Once their attorney has reviewed the new contract the City of Lindstrom will propose it to the City Council in March and plans to meet with the township on the 3rd Wednesday in April to finalize the 3-year contract. The City of Lindstrom is going to check to see if we can retroactive the contract back to January of 2025.

New Business

❖ Almelund Fire-Rescue Chief, Kevin Johnson and Deputy Chief – Jim Rue presented the 2025 Annual Budget. They are proposing a new fire contract for 2025 between Almelund Fire-Rescue and Chisago Lake Township in the amount of \$14,610.73. After reviewing a motion made by Stirling, seconded by Houle to approve and sign the 2025 fire contract for \$14,610.73. Motion carried.

❖ Chisago Lake School District is requesting to use the townhall as a polling location for their special election on May 13, 2025. After some discussion a motion was made by Stirling, seconded by Houle, allowing them to rent the town hall on May 13th, 2025, for a polling location for a fee of \$550.00 for rental and \$300.00 damage deposit. Motion carried.

Road Report

❖ Matt Wikelius informed the Board:

- Wikelius received a bid from Bjorklund's for hauling would be \$9.18/ton. We would need approximately 3,000 tons hauled this year. After discussion a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling to approve hiring Bjorklund's for hauling. Motion carried.
- JT tree service has started tree trimming, they have completed the Nueman neighborhood, 322nd and will be back next week to finish up.
- No bid yet for the new Mack plow truck. The salesman will be coming on Thursday, so plan to have figures for the March meeting.
- Has been receiving ROW from Midco on west side of North Chisago Lake township.

Information for Officials

❖ Clerk Peterson informed the Board of the following:

- The CCATO meeting for February 26th will be held at Franconia township at 7:00 pm
- Hall Rental Report for the month of March
- No report on Building Permits applications for the month of January

Financial Report

- ❖ Treasurer Straub gave the treasurer report. After the Treasurer's report was presented, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Reed, to approve the Financial Report with a balance of \$3,018,372.85 and pay the bills – claims 3086 to 3103 in the amount of \$23,978.99. Motion carried, 3 yes, 0 no.
- ❖ Paradise Woods Escrow Fund is currently in the negative for \$641.75.
- ❖ There was a fraud reported in Texas for \$14,500.00 from our checking account so we need to close our current account and open a new account.

Adjournment

Chair Reed asked if anyone had any other business.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Houle, seconded by Stirling, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Motion carried.

David J. Reed, Chair
Chisago Lake Township

Jeanette Peterson, Clerk
Chisago Lake Township