

**EUREKA TOWNSHIP**  
*DAKOTA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA*

**TOWN BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2020**

Due to the Peacetime Emergency and social distancing guidelines, the Town Board Chair has determined it is not practical or prudent to conduct an in-person meeting. Accordingly, under Minnesota Statute section 13D.021, the following meeting shall be conducted entirely through teleconferencing or other electronic means.

**Call to Order**

The Eureka Township Town Board meeting was called to order, via Zoom Meetings, at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Donovan Palmquist and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Supervisors Present: Donovan Palmquist, Tim Murphy, Lu Barfknecht, Ralph Fredlund and Mark Ceminsky.

Others Present: Ranee Solis (Town Clerk), Chad Lemmons (Town Attorney), Mark Henry, Bryce Otte, Nancy Sauber, Julie Larson, Alex Turner, Rich Stevens, Kevin Mills, Randy Wood, Carol Cooper, Bill Clancy, Georgie Molitor, Brian Ahern, Gloria Belzer, Jody Arman-Jones.

**Approval of the Agenda**

*Motion:* Chair Palmquist moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Supervisor Fredlund. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky - Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

**Treasurer's Report**

Clerk/Treasurer Solis presented total net pay in the amount of \$6,552.36 and total claims in the amount of \$62,982.63.

Net Pay and Claims

*Motion:* Vice Chair Murphy moved to approve the net pay and claims as presented, seconded by Supervisor Fredlund. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky – Abstain. *Motion carried 4-1.*

**New Business**

Township Road Committee

*Motion:* Supervisor Fredlund moved to create a Road Committee consisting of Donovan Palmquist, Ralph Fredlund, Mark Henry, Alex Turner, Dan Rogers, Kevin Mills and Rich Stevens, seconded by Chair Palmquist. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky - Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

The first meeting of the Road Committee will be held at Town Hall on October 1, 2020 at 4:00 pm.

### Mn Paving & Material – Pit expansion

The Board instructed Clerk/Treasurer Solis to forward the application to the Planning Commission.

### Potential one-on-one MAT treasurer training

Clerk/Treasurer Solis will have an estimated cost to obtain training from MAT's treasurer trainer at the next Town Board meeting.

### New Complaint – 10132 235<sup>th</sup> St W

Attorney Lemmons explained that a court decision is forthcoming regarding this property.

## **Old Business**

### Road Superintendent job description

Supervisor Ceminsky requested that the job description include that the Road Superintendent reports to the Board of Supervisors and that all work must be approved by the Town Board.

*Motion:* Supervisor Fredlund moved to approve the Road Superintendent job description as amended, seconded by Chair Palmquist. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky - Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

### Revised Resolution 2020-11 Adopting 2021 budget and levy / Levy Certification

*Motion:* Supervisor Fredlund moved to rescind the previous Resolution and Levy Certification and adopt the revised Resolution and 2021 Levy Certification in the amount of \$707,712, seconded by Chair Palmquist. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky - Abstain. *Motion carried 4-1.*

### Eureka Estates project

*Motion:* Supervisor Ceminsky moved to schedule a meeting with the affected Eureka Estates residents to discuss the feasibility study, seconded by Chair Palmquist. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky - Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Supervisor Barfknecht offered to deliver a copy of the feasibility study to each resident.

### Town Hall landscaping projects

Clerk/Treasurer Solis presented the invitation to quote which has been sent out for bids.

### Follow up on complaint at 24230 Holyoke Path – Fencing around pool

*Motion:* Chair Palmquist moved to send the Building Official to the residence to discuss the open permit and report back to the Board, seconded by Supervisor Fredlund. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky - Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Follow up on complaint at 8150 250<sup>th</sup> – Cleanup of junk and equipment

Attorney Lemmons indicated that the previous Ordinance regarding scrap yards was repealed in 2010. Supervisor Ceminsky indicated that he met with the owner and, in his opinion, the property has been cleaned up per the previous agreement. Chair Palmquist and Supervisor Barfknecht were assigned to officially investigate the complaint and report back to the Board.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

September 14, 2020, Town Board meeting minutes

Supervisor Fredlund asked to amend page 5, landscaping beds at Town Hall, to read “fill depression”.

*Motion:* Chair Palmquist moved to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2020, Town Board meeting as amended, seconded by Vice Chair Murphy. A roll call vote was taken: Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky – Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

**Adjournment**

*Motion:* Chair Palmquist moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Murphy. A roll call vote was taken: Lu Barfknecht – Aye; Donovan Palmquist – Aye; Tim Murphy – Aye; Ralph Fredlund – Aye; Mark Ceminsky – Aye. *Motion carried 5-0.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ranee Solis, Town Clerk

Minutes Officially Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ on: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Chair Date