

*Dakota County
State of Minnesota*

Eureka Townboard Meeting- Continued from June 10, 2002

June 11, 2002

Call to Order:

Chair Person Bev Topp called the regular monthly meeting of Eureka Township to order at 7:30 PM. Present were Supervisors Donald Pflaum, Connie Anderson, Kenny Miller, Supervisor Clark Smith, Clerk Oliver Leine and Treasurer Nanett Leine.

Approval of Amended Agenda:

A motion by Supervisor Clark Smith: To approve agenda with the following additions: 5. Planning Commission- Mike Giles

- 6. Roads
 - A. Revisit-road maintenance bids
- 7. Old Business
 - B. Health Issues
- 8. New Business
 - B. Joe Simon- Rodeo
 - C. Safety Deposit Box
 - D. Training

Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried.

Planning Commission:

Mike Giles of 23545 Cedar Ave. Farmington requested a permit to build a gas station, liquor store, dance hall, golf driving range, softball fields and parking lot. This request cannot be enacted on because there is a moratorium on commercial business. Mike Giles then requested to build the golf driving range and ball field. Ordinance 20 section 7.53 States what outdoor recreation areas are allowed. Ball fields and golf courses are allowed. Driving ranges are not listed. Bev Topp will check with the attorney on whether under the moratorium a CUP for a ball field and driving range (if allowed under ordinance) can be issued

A motion by Supervisor Kenny Miller: To deny Mike Giles original request, to check with the township lawyer the legalistic, to see if a CUP for ball fields can be issued under the moratorium. Is a driving range included under a golf course in our ordinance? Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried.

Eureka the News

The board reviewed the Proposed June Issue of Eureka the News and made changes. Kenny Miller presented a proposal from Goldmine Printing. Copies would be 75¢ each, including printing and postage. (600 copies for \$449.00.) This would be a \$150 increase over the procedure we use now. A motion by Supervisor Clark Smith: To proceed with the newsletter as we have in the past, using volunteers and hold the bid for future consideration. Motion seconded by Supervisor Don Pflaum. Motion carried.

Joe Simon and Patty requested a permit to hold a sanctioned rodeo in August, with approximately 300 people in attendance. This is their second appeal, after having an illegal rodeo last year. Chair Bev Topp informed them that under Ordinance 20 section 7.53 that CUP's for rodeos are not allowed, she recommended checking with the fairgrounds on using their arena. The current board has reviewed the ordinance and decided not to change it at this time. If Simons want to appeal the ordinance, they need to attend the public hearing.

A motion by Supervisor Kenny Miller: After reviewal of the ordinance the Townboard cannot allow a permit for a rodeo. Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried. Joe Simon requested a meeting with his lawyer and the township lawyer to address this issue. The Board suggested he have his attorney contact Tim Kuntz, Eureka's attorney.

Roads

Kenny Miller as Townboard Supervisor and owner of Eureka Sand and Gravel, (Malecha Trucking's selected pit for gravel purchases for the road gravel bid.) must sign an Affidavit of Official Interest in Claim Form each time a bill from Malecha Trucking is presented to the board for payment. This shows citizens that he has no hidden interest in the gravel sales.

A motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To make a resolution to allow Malecha Trucking to purchase gravel from Supervisor Kenny Miller as owner of Eureka Sand and Gravel from July 1, 2002 thru June 30, 2003. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried. Supervisor Kenny Miller abstained from voting.

A motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: Every time Malecha Trucking is issued a check from the Township for gravel from Eureka Sand and Gravel, that Kenny Miller sign an Affidavit of Official Interest Claim Form before the check is issued. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried.

A motion by Supervisor Don Pflaum: To set a threshold of 250 cars per day to determine if the road will receive lime rock. Roads with Less than 250 cars would receive class 5 rock. Roads that currently have lime rock will stay lime rock. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. 2 yah, 2 nay votes. Motion defeated.

A motion by Supervisor Don Pflaum: To study for the future and to set a defined threshold through research. This year's road projects to remain as set. Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried.

Contractor Time

Mark Henry asked that the township purchase the following supplies: 6 traffic cones, orange contractor fence, 4 to 6 road closed signs, lath and ribbon tape. A motion by Supervisor Don Pflaum to authorize Mark Henry to purchase above mentioned items from M-R Sign in Fergus Falls. Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried.

Hard Surface Roads

Clark Smith presented the board with contractor bids for hard surface road repair. Allied bid was \$17,990 and Bargaen bid \$27,780. Allied was the company that the township used for repairs. A motion by Supervisor Clark Smith: To award the

contract to Allied for hard surface repairs. Motion seconded by Supervisor Don Pflaum. Motion carried. Work should begin in July.

Bid Specs

Bid solicitation for project gravel need to be published in the legal newspapers, the following projects are scheduled for 2002. Fordham Ave - 225th Ave. to Essex and Denmark Ave. Denmark Ave. project is contingent on results from the meeting with Castle Rock Township on June 18, 2002.

A motion by Supervisor Don Pflaum: To have Ollie put the ad in the paper by the legal deadline, bids to be opened at the July meeting, unless he is informed differently after Castle Rock meeting. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Townhall Future Committee

No meeting has been set up with Castle Rock to view their Townhall.
Move CURA from New Business:

CURA

Community Urban Redevelopment Association is a community assisting program where you can apply for a grant for a student from the University of Minnesota. The student would work with the Township in developing plans for the New Town Hall.

A motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To proceed with the CURA application. Motion seconded by Supervisor Kenny Miller. Motion carried.

A motion by Supervisor Connie Anderson: To offer travel re-imbusement, allowing input from the Townhall Committee. To request site design and building design. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried.
Bev and Ollie will fill out the paperwork.

Environmental Health Issue

Steve Scott informed Supervisor Connie Anderson that there has been a complaint in Eureka Township about a neighbor having old tires stored out side, a potential health hazard. Dakota County would be willing to pick up the tires free of charge. Dakota County wants to work with the Township on a friendly approach to solve this matter. Bev Topp will talk to Steve Scott.

A motion by Supervisor Don Pflaum: To delegate the authority to make a decision to the Chair Bev Topp. Motion seconded by Supervisor Clark Smith. Motion carried.

Jonathon Hoes building addition

The addition to the pole shed is 20+ feet from the lot line, which is less than the permitted distance of 30 feet. This addition was built without a building permit.

A motion by Supervisor Clark Smith: To inform Jonathon Hoes that he must remove the addition to the pole shed, that was illegally built. Motion seconded by Supervisor Kenny Miller. Motion carried.

Fiber Optic Utility CUP Conditions/landscape

The Fiber Optic Utility is planning on complying with the conditions in the CUP. The company that owns the station had been bought out and it is not currently being used. They will send a representative out in July to look at the sight. Ollie Leine will call them about the driveway; the one on location is a temporary driveway. A permanent one needs to be in place

RASP Signs

RASP signs are in. Nanett Leine will call citizens and set up a pickup time.

New Business

Safe Deposit Box

Bev Topp will check on the cost of a safe deposit box for the old township records. The records will be stored in the fire-proof safe in the Townhall for time being.

Training

MAT Short Course will be offered in Owatonna on July 16, 2002. Bev Topp is planning on attending. She will register at the door.

Supervisor Connie Anderson amended the agenda: New Business: Legal Newspaper.

Legal Newspaper

Due to the concerns of future costs the Townboard considered changing legal papers. The Township can change the legal newspaper at any time. The paper must qualify by State Statute. The Board decided not to change papers, because it is important that the information is getting out to the residents.

Other Business:

Clerk and Treasurer Presentations

Chair Bev Topp, Clerk Oliver Leine, Treasurer Nanett Leine and Deputy Treasurer John Strunk signed the bank signature card for Castle Rock Bank.

A motion by Supervisor Don Pflaum: To adjourn. Motion seconded by Supervisor Connie Anderson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 11:10 pm.