

TOWN OF SILVER CREEK
REGULAR MEETING
August 19, 2014

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Silver Creek was held on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at the Town Hall. Present were Supervisors – Greg Hull and Larry Lampart; Deputy Clerk – Kristina Pirsig; Treasurer – Bobbi Gilbert; Road Foreman – Rick Grupe; Realtor – Steve Bragg; Constituent – Karen Erickson

Lampart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

CONSTITUENTS CONCERNS:

Steve Bragg came to the meeting regarding the rezoning of a parcel of land located in Silver Creek Township. This parcel is the home of Silver Creek Gifts on Hwy 61 as well as the land behind it. The parcel that has the gift shop has been zoned as Residential with a conditional use for Commercial and has been used as Commercial for over 50 years but because the business is more of a hobby business they would like to have the land behind it included in the rezone for the purpose of selling. There is one possible buyer that would like to purchase both pieces of land.

Hull made a motion, second by Lampart, directing the clerk to write a letter of support to the Lake County Board. Motion carried.

Karen Erickson – Is coming to the Board as a head's up that they want to replace two cabins on their property. She is going to have the plans done and submitted in September for the application and variances. Hull asked if they were changing the footprint of the land or adding height. Karen said that on one it will only be height, they are adding a second floor. On the other cabin they want to make it a square building as well as adding height to that cabin. She also wants to slide one of the cabins over to provide better access to the stairs for the lakeshore. She made an invitation to anyone that would like to come out and take a look, she'd be glad to show them around.

REVIEW MINUTES:

Motion by Hull, second by Lampart to accept the 07/15/2014 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Lampart, second Hull to accept the 07/29/2014 Special SRSSD minutes as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

TOSC checking: \$125,834.34 and TOSC savings: \$647,751.11 for a total of \$773,585.45. Lake Bank made an error in our account of \$5 batch fee that will be credited to our account and showing in next month's report. Motion by Lampart, second Hull to transfer \$30,000 from savings to checking as per the Treasurer's request. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Hull, second Lampart to accept the July 2014 Treasurer Report as presented. Motion carried.

RECESS:

Motion by Hull, second by Lampart to recess the meeting at 7:19 pm in order to reopen the Annual Meeting. Motion carried.

RECONVENED ANNUAL MEETING:

Lampart reopened the annual meeting at 7:20 pm. Lampart turned the meeting over to Hull who discussed the 2015 Levy.

Hull presented a proposal that would keep the 2015 Levy at the 2014 Levy level. This is a change from the annual meeting presentation –

Proposed Levy - 2014, 2015, 2015 Modified

<u>Proposed 2015 Levy</u>	<u>2014 Levy</u>	<u>Proposed 2015 Levy</u>	MODIFIED <u>2015 Levy</u>
General	\$85,650	\$62,050	\$85,650
Road & Bridge	\$163,500	\$141,000	\$163,500
Rd Enhancement	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
Building	\$22,250	\$21,500	\$22,250
Fire	\$22,100	\$17,100	\$22,100
Cemetery	<u>\$1,100</u>	<u>\$1,100</u>	<u>\$1,100</u>
SUB TOTAL	\$314,600	\$262,750	\$314,600
Sewer Taxes – CDSSD	\$5,714	\$5,714	\$5,714
Sewer Taxes – SRSSD	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$30,000</u>	<u>\$30,000</u>
<< TOTAL LEVY >>	\$320,314	\$298,464	\$350,314

Hull indicated that by keeping the 2015 levy at 2014 levels, (but adding the Stewart River Subordinate Service District levy), this would allow the Township to have sufficient funds available for a potential bonding issue, in conjunction with the County, for the construction of the Stewart River Sewer System. Hull reminded all that the 2015 levy would be payable in 2016, and that if a bond issue did not look like it would materialize, the levy could perhaps be lowered prior to finalizing the 2016 levy late in 2015.

Hull made a motion, second by Lampart, to set, and certify, the 2015 Levy at the “Modified” 2015 Levy levels as indicated above. Motion carried.

Hull made a motion, second by Lampart, to close the annual meeting. Motion carried.

RECONVENED:

Lampart called the meeting back to order at 7:45 pm.

READING OF THE BILLS:

Current month’s bills were read; claims 4034 to 4089. Motion by Hull, second Lampart authorizing payment of the bills and electronic funds. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Minnesota Revenue Aid Notice – 2015 Certified Township Aid for Silver Creek Township: \$8,676.00
- MAT District 10 Meeting Notice – Thursday, August 28, 2014 in Twig, MN at 7pm.
- LAKE COUNTY Land Use – Hubbard, Encampment Forest Assoc, Grailer, Kleive, Covington, Sve, Groves, Sibmund, Hanson and Kenneth Casady Credit’s Marital Trusts.
- Minnesota Association of Townships is encouraging all county units to solicit at least one door prize item (with an estimated value of approx. \$25).

ROAD & SAFETY:

Rick updated the Board with current projects. He has received bids back for the culvert project from both Hancock and Cretex. The other company that was going to bid on the project was bought out by Cretex so there isn’t actually a third bid. We can order the culvert tomorrow and then pay for it whenever they want us to pay for it. It will be reimbursed when the culvert comes in from Lake County Road and Bridge money. We still are going to owe \$20,000 plus any land issues that we might have.

Discussion was had about the delivery charge. Motion made by Lampart to approve the bid from Cretex for the box culvert for the Castle Danger Road, second by Hull. Motion carried.

Mowing will begin next week or the week after. Rick brought up the possibility of purchasing a multidirectional plow. Discussion was had about the Road and Bridge budget already being $\frac{3}{4}$ spent. It was decided that at this time we will not purchase this item but encourage Rick to bring it to the board again in the spring. Rick reports that there are projects going every day.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Deputy Clerk handed out the 2013 Audit completed by Walker, Grioux, and Hahne. Discussion was had about it. Motion made by Lampart to approve the 2013 financial statement audit, second by Hull. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Minnesota Association of Townships is encouraging all county units to solicit at least one door prize item (with an estimated value of approx. \$25). Hull made a motion to direct the Clerk to solicit 1 gallon of maple syrup from Hoops, second by Lampart. Motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm upon motion by Hull, second Lampart. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristina Pirsig, Deputy Clerk