

TOWN OF SILVER CREEK
December 20, 2016

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Silver Creek was held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at the Town Hall. Board Members Present were: Supervisors – Mike Hoops, Greg Hull and Larry Guentzel; Clerk – Kristina Pirsig and Treasurer – Jamie Pellman

Guentzel called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

CONSTITUENTS CONCERNS:

NONE

ROAD & SAFETY:

Guentzel reported, on behalf of Town Foreman Eric Warnecke, that all the implements on the loader are working. Dialogue occurred about purchasing a wing for the loader. There was some concern about culverts backing up due to the rain. Fortunately there haven't been any problems.

REVIEW MINUTES:

09/06/2016 CDSSD Meeting

Motion by Hoops, seconded by Hull, to amend the approved CDSSD Minutes of September 6, 2016 from "Hoops responded by reminding Lind that the Department of Natural Resources approved the culvert and report that it is not a trout stream." to "Hoops responded that the Department of Natural Resources approved the culvert and report that it is not a trout stream." *Motion carried unanimously.*

11/15/2016 Regular Meeting

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to approve the November 15, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes, as amended. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Hull requested to read correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- MN Rural Water Association – Requesting a letter of support. Hoops requested to discuss under New Business.
- National School Choice Week – Requesting official proclamation.
- Mat Training: New Clerk Training and Board of Equalization
- Lake County Planning and Zoning: Interim Use Application with a public hearing scheduled for January 23rd at the Silver Bay Service Center.
- Lake County – Land Use:
 - Alex & Jenell Cook
 - Renee and Randall Flacksbarth

Motion by Guentzel, seconded by Hoops, to recess the meeting at 6:36 pm for the CDSSD Meeting. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Guentzel called the meeting back to order at 7:13 pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jamie Pellman presented the Treasurer's Report for November 2016:

TTOSC checking: \$217,819.25 and TTOSC savings: \$648,706.27 for a total of \$866,525.52.
Outstanding Checks: \$3,480.70. CTAS balance: \$863,044.82.

No transfer request for this month.

Discussion occurred about the building project fund and if there was an itemized report. Clerk advised she would have that information together soon.

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to accept the November Treasurer Report as presented. *Motion carried unanimously.*

READING OF THE BILLS:

Current month's bills were read; Claims 5156-5183 payrolls and electronic transactions thru 12/20/2016.

Motion by Hoops, seconded by Hull, authorizing payment of the bills and electronic funds as presented. Hoops abstained from voting on disbursement: 1123201609 and 1222201609. Guentzel abstained from voting on disbursement: 1123201642, 1208201642 and 1222201642. *Motion carried unanimously.*

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Beaver Valley Road:** No update

- **Resolution 2016-8: Authorizing Contract with Interested Officer –Hull**

Motion by Hoops, seconded by Guentzel, to adopt Resolution 2016-8 [full text on file]. *Motion carried, all voting in favor with Hull abstaining.*

- **Resolution 2016-9: Authorizing Contract with Interested Officer – Hoops**

Motion by Guentzel, seconded by Hull, to adopt Resolution 2016-9 [full text on file]. *Motion carried, all voting in favor with Hoops abstaining.*

- **Resolution 2016-10: Authorizing Contract with Interested Officer - Guentzel:**

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to adopt Resolution 2016-10 [full text on file]. *Motion carried, all voting in favor with Guentzel abstaining.*

- **Resolution 2016-11: Authorizing Contract with Interested Officer - Guentzel:**

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to adopt Resolution 2016-11 [full text on file]. *Motion carried, all voting in favor with Guentzel abstaining.*

- **Alcohol in Pavilion and Town Hall:** Clerk presented information from City of Two Harbors, City of Beaver Bay and the Clair Nelson Center – Finland regarding their alcohol consumption policies. Clerk also inquired at State Farm Insurance what the approximate cost of adding a \$1.5 million policy added to a homeowner's policy. The response from State Farm was even with the additional policy it wouldn't terminate any liability of the Township, in addition the Township could be sued for more than the \$1.5 million. Clerk was directed to continue to keep a log of rental inquiries and reason for not booking. Board agreed to revisit the issue in June.
- **Sign for Pavilion:** Clerk reported that Dick Bohrer did not make the Town Hall sign but said he could make one for the Pavilion. Clerk was directed to order a sign from Bohrer.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **2017 Meeting Dates:** Hoops requested the meeting set for October 17, 2017 be changed to October 10, 2017.

Motion by Hoops, seconded by Guentzel, to adopt the 2017 Meeting Dates, as amended. *Motion carried unanimously.*

- **Air Exchanger Quotes:** Hoops presented quotes from Jamar (\$34,800 shop and \$11,800 office) and Summit (\$29,134 shop and \$3,125 office). Decision was made by the Board to use funds from the Building Fund (226) for purchasing the office air exchanger and funds from Capital Improvements Fund (401) for purchasing the air exchanger for the shop.

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to purchase the garage air exchanger from Summit, the Chairman be authorized to execute the paperwork necessary for contract, he is directed to find out how much an automatic control would be and he be empowered to exercise his best discretion as to whether or not that be added. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, that the chairman be empowered to execute the necessary contract for the purchase of the air exchanger for the office from Summit. *Motion carried unanimously.*

- **Frontier Long Distance:** Hoops explained that Coop Light & Power discontinued long distance phone services. Town Foreman Warnecke hasn't been able to receive sewer calls. Clerk presented package rates from Frontier. Clerk was directed to contact Frontier and make the most efficient and economical changes, with a one year agreement.
- **MN Rural Water:** Hoops agreed to write a letter of support.
- **National School Choice Week:** Hull stated the Township doesn't have any business making official proclamations.
- **MAT Clerk Training:** Clerk was directed to attend with usual expenses paid.
- **Ski Club Letter:** Hull presented a letter written by John Cron. In the letter it stated that there will be a meeting regarding creating a trail system on the Cedar Road property. Board agreed that Hull should attend the meeting.
- **Town Attorney Update:** Town Attorney Russ Conrow provided an update on present legal projects through a paper copy. Discussion occurred about Mickelson's Driveway Permit.

Motion by Hoops, seconded by Guentzel, with Attorney Russ Conrow's recommendation, that the Township grants the easement to Mickelson, and authorized the Clerk and Chairman to sign the paperwork when it is ready. *Motion carried unanimously.*

- **CDSSD – People Serve Contract:** Hoops presented the new contract prices from John's Sanitary. They are significantly less than what People Serve was charging.

Motion by Hull, seconded by Guentzel, to accept John's Sanitary contract. *Motion carried unanimously.*

- **Resolution 2016-12** – Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Parcel 29-5310-03310 from Lake County

Motion by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to adopt Resolution 2016-12 [full text on file]. *Motion carried, all voting in favor.*

Adjourn:

Motion made by Hull, seconded by Hoops, to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 pm. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,
Kristina Pirsig, Clerk