



TOWN OF BROCKWAY
COUNTY OF STEARNS
STATE OF MINNESOTA

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George Fiedler, Chairman
Duane Douvier, Supervisor
Terence Pogatchnik, Supervisor
Margaret Stang, Clerk
Susan Goodew, Treasurer

MEETING MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:**

- A. On this 16th day of November 2020, the Regular Monthly Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- C. All board members were present except. Zoning Administrator Ben Oleson was absent. Sign in sheet is attached.
- D. A motion was made by Supervisor Fiedler to approve the agenda, seconded by S. Douvier all in favor, motion carried.

2. **Land Use Requests:**

- A. Todd & Rachel Schwartz rezoning A-40 to R-10 at 10107 440th Street, Holdingford. S. Fiedler moved to approve, seconded by S. Douvier, all in favor, motion carried
- B. USS Great River Solar rezoning 8.49 out of a 157-acre parcel from the R-10 to A-40 at 38545 CR 1, Sartell. S. Fiedler moved to approve, seconded by S. Pogatchnik, all in favor, motion carried.

3. **Clerks report:**

- A. October 19, 2020 public hearing minutes, Motion made by Douvier to approve, seconded Pogatchnik, approved.
- B. October 19, 2020 Regular mtg. minutes, Motion made by Fiedler to approve, seconded Pogatchnik, approved.

4. **Treasurer's report:**

- A. November 2020 report on accounts, Motion made by Fiedler to approve, seconded Douvier, approved.
- B. Approval of claims 22418-22432 & EFT 5, Motion made by Fiedler to approve, seconded Pogatchnik, approved.

5. **Public Input:**

- A. Sgt. Steve Noetzel was present from the Stearns County Sheriff's office stated for the month of October we had 110 calls, 25 traffic and 25 park patrol calls at Mississippi County park. Nothing further
- B. Pat Smoley was wondering since Tommy Huls passed away did someone do a weed inspection. Fiedler informed him that one was done in the spring.

6. **Old Business:**

A. **Roads:**

1. **385th Survey:** Supervisor Fiedler advised since Victor Legatt was not present that we would wait on this until he was available to answer some questions.
- B. **Mississippi River Landing/Walleye Road:** S. Fiedler advised this will be addressed at the December 21, 2020 meeting.
- C. **Electronic filing:** Supervisor Fiedler stated he would be looking into this over the winter. Tabled
- D. **CARES act:** S. Fiedler broke down where this money went. Computers 1,848.40; Air Exchanger 4,495.00; Floor Scrubber 3,267.53; St Stephen Fire 27,375.00 & Holdingford Fire 20,380.15. Returning \$13,483.92 back to the County.

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- E. **Part time Maintenance:** Supervisor Fiedler informed that John Smoley has been hired for this position. Forms will be sent to him to become an employee of the township and a Job description will be written up.
- F. **Aztech Paving:** Tabled until spring
- G. **Ditch mowing:** Tabled until spring.
- H. **Board of Equalization:** Terry has completed this training and is good until 2023.
- I. **Deputy clerk:** Melissa Pogatchnik as volunteer currently to fill this position in the absence of the Clerk.

7. New Business:

- A. **Birth & Death Records:** Clerk Stang addressed the issue of the old books in the back room about having Stearns History Museum store them for us. Supervisor Douvier informed that this is a fire room, and they should be safe in there. Books will stay where they are at.
- B. **Opole Sewer:** Treasurer Goodew stated she has not seen a bill from Thul's yet on the relining of the tank for the septic system. Clerk Stang will call Thul's to see where they are at on this.
- C. **Polling Place:** Clerk Stang brought up we needed to declare a polling place for 2021. All agreed that this was okay.
- D. **Elections:** Treasurer Goodew raised the question of how much to pay the Head Judge for duties she does before the election. In past years, the previous Head Judge was paid the fee of a regular meeting. Supervisor Douvier suggested we keep it as the same. Will investigate this in the Spring at the Re-organizational meeting.
- E. **Benton Communications:** Supervisor Fiedler will be meeting with someone on Friday regarding a possible booster, so our wireless service is better.

8. Mail / Miscellaneous:

- A. Supervisor Fiedler addressed CARES money again. A Brockway Hollow resident came forward in regard to getting Broadband in the area since kids are at home now doing schoolwork. Supervisor Fiedler emailed this resident back and said they were too late to get this with CARES funding. The Supervisors will not be expending any money towards faster internet speed in that area at this time.

9. Public Input:

If there are snowplow complaints these should be directed to the Town Board.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm was made by Supervisor Fiedler, which was seconded by Supervisor Douvier all in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Margaret Stang, Clerk
Brockway Township

George Fiedler, Chairman
Brockway Township

Date Approved 12-21-2020

Amendments 1

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