

Minutes
Dovre Township Meeting
8/5/24

Sherry Jean Larson called the meeting to order at 6 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Sherry Jean Larson, Marie Ostby, Bruce Peterson, Glenn Arfstrom, Keith Quale, Pat Jacobs, Teren Novotny

Guests: Dan Wersal, Howard Werner, Barry Pederson

Guest: Dan Wersal Dan said that he cannot mow by his culvert. Supervisor Quale checked with the engineer and this was completed according to the specs for the project. The engineer will be here on Wednesday and Mr. Wersal was invited to meet with him. Supervisor Quale will talk with Andrew to arrange a meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Supervisor Arfstrom moved to approve minutes of the 7/1/24 meeting, Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

Fire Report: No report

Long Lake Road Improvement Project

Update on Open House and Meetings: There was a full house for the meeting. Andrew Vistad attended the meeting and responded to questions. Supervisor Ostby received a copy of the scoring sheet for the LRIP grant. The grant score was 86. The state questioned the right of way for the grant project. Supervisor Ostby verified with the attorney that the township has a right of way including in the areas that are not platted.

Motion by Supervisor Larson to authorize Supervisor Ostby to contact attorney Bob Ruppe to draft a letter in review of our grant application. Supervisor Quale seconded. Motion carried.

Assessment Question from Pleasant Acres Park—They are requesting exemption from a road assessment for the park and for the access. This will be addressed at an assessment hearing.

Old Business

Barry Pederson—driveway erosion issue. He has not gotten any response from Duininks. Supervisor Quale will ask that engineer Andrew Vistad look at it when he is here on Aug. 7th and provide thoughts on how to resolve this issue.

Supervisor Quale will follow up with Swenson and Sons to get the bridge repaired and also see what can be done for Mr Pederson.

Supervisor Ostby stated the final payment was made tonight for 8th St. A Mrs. Sorenson had reported that the wings on her driveway have cracked. The engineer looked at it and feels that perhaps a garbage truck drove over it before it was fully cured. Supervisor Ostby moved to authorize Andrew Vistad to work with Midwest Paving to repair Mrs. Sorenson's concrete up to \$1700. Supervisor Quale

seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-2 with Supervisors Peterson and Larson voting no.

Platting Application:

City of Willmar—lift station—This does not require a hearing. Supervisor Peterson moved to approve the lot split certification for the City of Willmar, Supervisor Arfstrom seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report Teren presented the financial statement and profit and loss through June, 2024. Supervisor Ostby moved to approve, Supervisor Quale seconded and motion carried.

Approval of Orders Supervisor Ostby moved to approve payment of orders, Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

New Business: The City of Willmar been collecting a franchise fee which is then given to the City of Willmar. It should be given to the road authority where services are provided. Supervisor Peterson stated that we can contact Willmar Municipal Utilities and request a record of the amount collected Supervisor Ostby moved to ask Bob Rupee to research franchise fees and the distribution of fees. Supervisor Peterson seconded and motion carried.

Information:

- 2025 Town Aid Certification is 1316. 2024 was 1324.
- District 5 Meeting: 8/14/24
6:30 American Legion, Willmar
Supervisors Arfstrom, Quale and Peterson will attend.
- Filing period for Supervisor positions: 7/30/24 to 8/13/24
- Public Hearing Aug. 12 at 7:00
 1. Request to rezone R-2 Community Residence to A-1 Agriculture Preservation
Daniel W. Anderson (Jonesville, Whitefield Township)
 2. Request to rezone R-2 Community Residence to C1 Commercial Industrial District. Hillcrest Truckstop, New London Township

Next Meetings:

- Aug. 7** Long Lake Road Informational Session for Oak Ridge Drive, 88th Ave., Point Lake Estates, 26th St.
- Aug. 13th** Primary Election
- Aug. 14** District Township Meeting
- Sept. 3** September Township Meeting
- Oct. 1** October meeting

Supervisor Arfstom moved to adjourn, Supervisor Quale seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Sherry Jean Larson, Chair

Pat Jacobs, Clerk