

Greenvale Town Board Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2015

Present: Supervisor Duane Fredrickson, Chair Gregory Langer, Supervisor David Roehl, Clerk Linus Langer, Treasurer Wayne Peterson, Guests County Commissioner Mike Slavik and Township Building Inspector Scott Qualle

Our meeting started at 7PM with the pledge of allegiance:

Title 4 United States Code: § 4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

Reviewed May 19 minutes: Fredrickson moved to approve Roehl made second and motion passed with all in favor.

Agenda: Langer had some changes. Fredrickson asked that we not add unneeded items. Langer thought we could limit discussions and keep agenda moving. Also, if there are guests we can ask them to have quiet discussions away from meeting. Respectfully there were three requests. 1) add form for approval 2) add to new business Deutsch/Jaekels survey correction of 50 ft. 3) delete item on ditch mowing. Langer moved that we add two items and strike out third item. Fredrickson gave second and motion passed with all in favor.

Treasurer Report: Peterson had a note on bank statements and our accounting system. Langer moved to approve Roehl made second and motion passed.

Clerk Report: Claims were tabled to end of meeting to accommodate other topics.

Invited Guests: Mike Slavik and Scott Qualle were invited guests and each had short comments. Mike introduced himself and gave semi annual update on County workings. CDA block grant was approved. Co Rd 90 bridge work will be starting end of July and should be completed before labor day. County is trying different dust control regimes with an oil base and maybe not getting positive feedback. Mike is a new dad... he has a baby girl through adoption.

Scott Qualle our building official had a handout with the new 2015 Code Adoption Schedule. New code is now in place. Thermostat setbacks now required and high efficient bulbs etc... 75% have to be high efficiency. R15 in foundation walls and other insulation requirements... 200 sq ft structures now exempt if utility building, not garage. Sprinkler systems for 4500 sq and larger new but not applicable on adding to remodel footage, etc...

Township Road Concerns: Dresden Avenue repair project. Langer updated everyone on latest information. Langer reviewed with Waterford and with T.J. Heinrich with

City of Northfield. Langer asked for approval to sign contract. Approval was given by Roehl and Fredrickson for Langer to sign and share.

Update on 2015 road repair projects: Jerry Bolton gave a report on 292nd Street. Swenson's area and concerns turned out really well. Tile needed to be day-lighted. Roehl asked if reshaping was done. "Yes, that looks fine." Repairing frost boils are next planned project when weather permits.

Dust Control and ditch mowing plans: Jerry spoke about dust control. There have been a few complaints. The cost per mile would be \$2629.44 at the standard rate. Dust control is also for keeping rock on road. Up until last two years we just did spot control in front of homes. Adding water in front of dust control last year by Otte seemed to help. Clerk asked about requesting dust control? Langer said not good idea because no request no control... then bad coverage... We have made home-owner chloride applications in past if requested and then charged for it (with tax). Weather and scheduling is very variable. 2nd or 3rd week in July is next planned application. Fredrickson asked for clarification of dust control normally being applied after gravel application. Bolton verified we would normally do that as a practice.

Ditch Mowing: Last year we hired Dale Kuchinka and his rates were reasonable. He adjusted amount last year because several owners did their own ditches. We asked about two mowings last year and he was not interested because of the risk of damage to equipment. Maynard Bolton mentioned opportunity by intersections where two passes would be a very good idea for safety, especially for cars, which are lower than pickups. Rate is \$40/mile and he agreed to consider some areas for second cut. Top pass can be done any time, but to mow out the ditch we have to wait until after August 1st because of nesting habitat. Fredrickson recommended keeping Kuchinka and made motion for one pass as before. Roehl made second and motion passed. Langer will send out notice.

Review Building Requests: Dana Mohn and Chris Casto had delivered plans and site information ahead of time. Fredrickson thanked them for getting things in order and presenting them ahead of time. Fredrickson moved to approve permit and Roehl made second. Motion carried unanimously.

Fredrickson related to issues of complaints with MNSPECT and need to work with people and use common sense. Fredrickson wants to be on record that we want to work with people. Roehl expressed he doesn't want us to create a problem for applicants. One of the good changes from our last contract update is the request for written feedback on a timely basis for MNSPECT to address possible issues.

Erwin Ulrich's project: Erwin has some siding yet to finish. Erwin never new about any time limits and says he would have asked for extensions and now wonders if he would see more fees. Board agreed project would not be billed further. Langer thought it would be considered as tuition paid for lessons learned.

Mark Holter shed is being built. He canceled his application last summer and is now putting up his own building without a permit. Roehl asked if there was a ten acre rule on ag use. Langer responded he didn't think so... Langer has left messages. Roehl asked what are our options? Qualle suggested he can post a "stop work order" to inform owner. Clerk asked instead for the Board to ask for Qualle to post stop work order, so there isn't confusion on our mutual commitment to zoning. Fredrickson asked Roehl if he knows him. Roehl said yes he knows him, but doesn't want to be the one to see him. How do we pick and choose who we impose permits on? Roehl said we do not need a motion and we should just ask Scott to work with him. All agreed to ask Scott to work with Mr. Holter.

Null house was moved in but permit is not yet approved or issued. Supervisors all agreed to ask Qualle to send a letter to Mr. Null.

Roehl asked about David Medin/Kurt house that was moved in several years ago. Qualle will check into it, but has limited information at this point.

Dana Mohn asked about knowing fees ahead of time on permits? Qualle stated there is a state table used by Inspectors. Town permit manual has some calculations but it is good to check with Inspector as 2015 guidelines are just new recently. Valuations and square footage are major factors used in computing fees for Plan Review and Actual Inspections.

Brian Ingebretson presented a plan for remodel of basement. House was built in 2006. 17x10 deck will go off second floor. Langer moved and Roehl seconded motion to approve Brian's permit. Passed unanimously.

Adam Becker pole shed: Adam inquired with Clerk but hasn't yet pursued permit.

Citizen business: Ulrich asked about a second driveway. Association would have to approve driveway, not Town Board, it is believed, under association rules.

Buildable sites project: Fredrickson complimented Langer on trend setting. Langer recapped we owe consultant Dean Johnson \$1724. Langer asked we pay Johnson in July. Where do we go next? Langer suggested we meet as a Board and review newest set of study maps - with disclaimer. If we spent five minutes on each one that would be two and a half hours. We would have to post it as a public meeting but not a hearing. Roehl would like to see some of the bigger land owners sit down and talk about it. Fredrickson thinks we should get what we have and then ask land owners if it looks right? To get the best circulation possible. Topic can be revisited in July.

Policy Questions: Joint owner signatures on QQ documents required or notarized statement from one owner that releases their interest. Langer moved to schedule a

working meeting in August for supervisors to review latest maps. Fredrickson made second and motion passed. Board agreed to pay Dean Johnson in August.

Resolution from Ophaug: Policy for dealing with past decisions on dealing with QQ divisions. What do we do about the ones that were transferred in the past. Some were done in the past.

Langer moved to approve resolution on past transfers. Fredrickson made second. All voted in favor.

Lawn Quotes: June 5th letter from Langer was read. May quote procedure was described. Mowing to date with liability waiver was shared. Now we have quote from Nelson Lawn Care and a June 13th mailed quote from Angie Minar. Roehl moved to accept Nelson's quote. Langer made second and motion carried. Langer will contact Nelson and Minar with award.

Subdivision agreement template: Fredrickson moved to approve new Subdivision Agreement Form and second was provided by Roehl. All voted in favor.

Jaeckels and Deutsch not present... there was a dispute on property line. Attorneys created documents for Town Board to sign and notarize. Fredrickson moved to approve request to subdivide property between Deutsch & Jaeckels. Second from Roehl. Motion passed.

Minnesota Association of Townships (MAT) training on Thursday in Rochester. Fredrickson can't make it. Clerk and Chair plan to attend. Roehl can't make it. Peterson is going to Mankato session. Darcy White was mentioned, as Deputy Clerk, and Board agreed it would be supported if she can make the training.

Area Intergovernmental (IG) meeting was originally planned for July 22, which is the night after our July meeting. Langer said we could try 29th. Roehl said let's do that. We host the meeting this time...

North Cannon River Watershed Management Organization (NCRWMO) summer event is in July. Peterson (Alternate) and Langer (Chair) representatives of Greenvale will attend meeting.

July Board meeting will be missed by Fredrickson as he has another advisory board meeting scheduled. Need to double check possible times for study map meeting...

Roehl said Collins wants to pay some amount for chloride. Maynard Bolton said Rainbow Saddle club pays in Rice County. Fredrickson said if he wants to pay and there would be less dust... Clerk added risk of practice, from MAT training, is favoritism. Langer explained MAT advised not to do favors for property owners because it invites favoritism.

Roehl moved to let Perry Collins pay for chloride on the road from the cemetery to 290th to be applied by Greenvale. Bolton said the cost would be about \$1650 per mile at half rate. Roehl and Fredrickson voted yes and Langer voted no.

Claims were reviewed and bills paid.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Linus Langer/Clerk