

Greenvale Town Board Minutes
NOVEMBER 17 2015

Present: Chair Gregory Langer, Supervisor David Roehl, Supervisor Duane Fredrickson, Treasurer Wayne Peterson, Clerk Linus Langer

7 PM Our meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Langer moved to approve regular meeting minutes. Fredrickson gave the 2nd and motion passed.

Fredrickson moved to approve November 3rd minutes. Roehl gave the second and motion passed.

Approve Agenda: Millie Berg asked for help with a Cluster agreement. David Legvold wishes to address Road concerns. Jane Dilley has an agricultural shed request. Fredrickson removed Reisinger request on agenda. At end Langer would like to address wifi tower, IG meeting, and NCRWMO meeting tomorrow.

Fredrickson moved to approve agenda and Roehl gave 2nd with motion passing.

Treasurers Report: Peterson gave account of receipts and disbursements. Balance is currently at \$143,000 Peterson would like to bring up a word of caution. We have gone \$20K over our budgets. On the general fund we budgeted 45k and we have spent 50k... we are in good shape but we need to keep up diligence. There were several spending items...

Langer moved to approve Treasures report. Fredrickson made 2nd. Motion passed.

Clerks report: Clerk gave Claims report. Langer moved to approve Roehl made second and motion passed.

Clerk spoke about new election equipment: Tomorrow there will be acceptance testing again of newly arrived voting equipment... Checks: Fredrickson moved to void 2 unclaimed checks from 2014 that were carried over into 2015. Roehl made second and motion passed. Balances need to be manually adjusted on carryover as recommended by CTAS support.

Fredrickson commented we have a nice new Hall and are fortunate not to be rained out - like could happen in old hall.

Langer introduced Guests: Jill Trescott (Dakota County), Steven Oscarson (MPCA), David Legvold, Liz Messner, Millie Berg, Bob Freiermuth. Jill Trescott: Lives in Sciota TWP and is on their Planning Commmission. Trescott presented a Nitrate handout and a flip chart showing ground water sensitivity. County & MN Dept of Ag are looking at Nitrate contamination and are giving everyone an opportunity to test

water... past recent results were so high... Fredrickson asked what are the primary sources of N contamination. (JT: corn and potatoes... but it can come from variety of sources like septic systems ... corn herbicide and N seem to be highly correlated.) Greenvale seems to be in better shape. TWP maps shows 2 red dots! Recommending not applying N in Fall but in spring instead. Win win situation. Rule making on maybe not allowing fall applications of N. Switched gears to talk about Manganese Mg. We need small amounts but large amounts can cause neurological damage. Also ARSENIC STUDY. It occurs naturally. Arsenic can be remove with treatment.

Victor Volkert asked if there were any grant programs available? Jill said there are Well Cap programs and County is seeking help for cases when water treatment would be required... more to come. Langer asked about his 2 wells of same depth with dramatically different levels... what would be the reason.. both wells were drilled in the 30's. Jill did not have a ready answer, that there are lots of natural variability. Fredrickson asked how people can be in touch if they have questions.

Steve Oscarson (MPCA) took a chair and joined Board. He had a few handouts. Steve wanted to go thru our ordinance and a checklist. He asked about shorelands and floodplain areas. He recognized we have been compliant with MPCA. Number of tanks installed are also required to be filed. Oscarson asked if we had a designated "Administrator" ...Clerk mentioned he took online training 5 months ago. Verifying soils are done by Bob Freiermuth, before design is done. Oscarson asked about management plans and Bob said he sends them to Clerk. Victor suggested we haven't had need for them because Realtors recommend new systems? Jill mentioned county requires compliance. Variances... are we able to issue notices of violation? Langer said we have language stating legal action can be done if needed... type 4 systems (pretreatment) have extra monitoring required. Sampling and monitoring is required for type 4. Pumping every three years. Jill explained county has pumping records filed by pumping providers. Oscarson noted enforcing procedures need to be specified to protect environment.

8 PM Township Road Concerns: Bolton said most work is done.

Road Safety sign maintenance concerns: Langer asked Bryce for a report. Said he has all the signs in and it should be taken care of tomorrow morning. Truck is loaded but rain has got in way. Langer asked Jerry if he was fine with that. Bolton said he'd be around tomorrow. Extra mowing was money well spent .

David Legvold had concerns. He had the feeling there were different impressions from contacting 3 supervisors. He asked who is serving on the committee. Langer gave names of committee. Legvold asked how group interacts with Board. Langer explained Committee advises Board but does not decide... Who is the person responsible to contact road maintenance contractor. Fredrickson said any of us can... "if one of us see an issue..." but there is not ONE person that is working with contractor? Legvold sensed ambiguity on who pulls the trigger on getting things

done. He is thankful for work of committee, but he is concerned about who makes call to Bryce... Roehl asked Bryce who makes contact... Bolton explained he is in good contact with Langer... Legvold asked if there is an ongoing maintenance contract? Langer said if there is one he has not seen it. Roehl said there is not one there. Bryce had a sheet. Legvold said as citizen he wishes there was one... Langer shared he believes what we have is a "rate sheet." Langer asked Legvold what he would like to see. Legvold explained he perceives a lack of a proactive approach... Mr. Volkert was having an open house. Car stopped and asked if the roads are always in this bad of a condition. He said we do have committee in place... Langer mentioned Clerk and he are going to MAT meeting and we could see if we could get samples of contracts. Legvold asked if meetings are mandatory or recommended? Langer would guess there would be phrasing on what contractors would expect and what Township would expect. Fredrickson mentioned for background info we do know there is an issue and we know we need to get something done. Legvold would look to this as being one further step. Bryce mentioned we've done grading every time as asked... we have not been too busy. Langer said at his request we have not written things down. Fredrickson wants to spend time talking with Bryce...

Building Permits: Roehl moved to accept Mulligan Request. Langer seconded and motion passed.

Jane Dille's Ag Shed request: Langer moved and Roehl seconded. Motion approved.

Charles Anderson: Langer said it appears he is putting up a building. We have spoken before and he was asked to look at an IUP to go forward. Langer asked if either of any of Supervisors know about activities. Neither did. Fredrickson said the longer we wait the harder it gets. Langer moved to direct Clerk to contact Building official. Roehl made second and motion passed. Bolton said it looked like a portable salt building.

Victor Volkert had a subdivision request for Soderlunds. 315th St. Roehl moved to approve subdivision Fredrickson made second and it passed. Langer and Fredrickson signed subdivision and Clerk notarized it.

Millie Berg had a subdivision agreement. Board looked over agreement that was drawn up by attorney Ophaug. Fredrickson said it would be good to get it off the table. Fredrickson moved to approve the agreement on section 7 as presented. Roehl made second and motion passed. Clerk and Chair signed and Clerk Notarized. Millie will get signed at law office and have them file and return to TWP.

Other citizen concerns:

Langer complimented Erwin Ulrich on finished project.

Null house is moving along. Holter's looks like he has stopped working on it...

Old Business: Langer made copies of paper. He shared email FYI from Dean Johnson, who has told solar project owners they need to expect to pay for changes that would be written or approved. Fredrickson said was not his intention to drive the process... Roehl said he talked to Bob Winter and they did some borings... Bob told them they need to come and see us (Board). Greg asked and Duane said he did not have any other report on solar.

Langer spoke about COMP PLAN. It needs to be rewritten for 2018. Langer worked with NCRWMO and they did their part over several times over course of a few years. It was rejected first time but eventually passed. Proposal is to cost share on a joint effort with \$3000 to \$5000 commitment by end of year. Langer spoke with Patrick Boyland of Met Council, and he will assist us in doing it on our own if desired. Some aspects will require an engineer to evaluate plan... Fredrickson asked who elects Metropolitan Council? It seems like taxation without representation. Langer thinks/recommends we pass on this invite.

Langer will make copies of existing Comp Plan for others. Fredrickson said he feels uncomfortable not knowing what is required... Eric Christianson asked in informal conversations with Dean did he say what he thought it could cost? Langer used shared combine example where 5 farmers own a combine. Langer asked for approval to produce and purchase copies ... Fredrickson moved to approve 10 copies and Langer made second with motion passing. We will bring it up for discussion at December meeting.

MAT Conference (more than a meeting). Roehl said he couldn't make it. Fredrickson asked when it was and would double check calendar.

IG meeting is tomorrow at Northfield Township. Langer can't make it because he will be at NCRWMO meeting at Eureka Township at 7pm. Roehl will contact Linus to possibly car pool. One NCRWMO project is for Mark Malecha...

Clerk mentioned Burn permits. Will try to learn more from NAFRS.

Langer mentioned BLDG site meetings progress... Fredrickson asked about time limits?

Paid bills at 9:15.

Some further road contractor "contract talk" at end of meeting.

Adjourned at 9:30

Respectfully submitted, Linus Langer | Clerk