

COTTON TOWN BOARD MEETING

February 11, 2010

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:00 p.m. in the township office, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were Supervisor Will Deyo, Supervisor Ken Meinke, Supervisor Jamie Bowden, Treasurer Debbie Leppala, Deputy Clerk Ginger Kinsley and Clerk Sandi Nelson. Residents and guests present were Rod King and Ann Kieffaber.

Ken Meinke motioned, supported by Will Deyo to accept the January 14th meeting minutes as mailed. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

The treasurer presented the cash control statement.

GENERAL FUND: receipts \$1,526.76; disbursements \$11,190.01; total \$14,545.68
NON-LEVY REVENUE: receipts \$1,924.60; disbursements \$34.87; total \$81,165.98
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND: receipts \$796.48; disbursements \$27.50; total \$8,391.91
CHRONICLE FUND receipts \$396.08; disbursements \$1,288.23; total \$8,973.32
CEMETERY\OLD FUND: receipts \$38.43; disbursements \$0; total \$7,602.53
CEMETERY\NEW FUND: receipts \$0; disbursements \$0; total \$11,417.23
PARKS & REC FUND: receipts \$57.65; disbursements \$356.78; total \$7,325.77
FIRE FUND: receipts \$589.29; disbursements \$0; total \$7,681.82
FIRE TRUCK FUND: receipts \$25.97; disbursements \$0; total \$8,109.62
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND: receipts \$76.86; disbursements \$42.63; total \$13,833.03
TOTAL RECEIPTS: \$5,432.12
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: \$12,940.02
BALANCE ON HAND: 1/31/10 \$169,046.89

INVESTMENTS: CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS

NON-LEVY REVENUE FUND: CD current value \$28,408.48

Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Ken Meinke to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

The Treasurer presented the claims list. Jamie Bowden motioned, supported by Will Deyo to approve and sign the claims list for claim #14462 through #14491 and debit #210-1 claims totaling \$5,011.18 and approve debit #210-2 to pay the Bills For Payment. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

The certificate of deposit (CD) is mature March 3, 2010. Discussed the low percentage rates at this time. Ken Meinke motioned, supported Will Deyo to cash in the CD at this time. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Residents and guests: Rod King, Cotton Area Senior Citizens, discussed having a lending library in the community center. King has looked at bookshelves at Menard's and two of them can be purchased for around \$400. The bookshelves the township was looking at were handmade solid oak for \$1,300. Will Deyo motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden to have Rod King purchase bookshelves for the lending library and split the cost. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

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Correspondence was reviewed. Ken Meinke motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden to accept the correspondence. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED. Copy on file in the township office.

OLD BUSINESS

Monitoring wells: Clerk contacted Rick Crum, Northeast Technical Services (NTS), regarding the wells and removing them. Crum said he would have to look in the archives for information on the placement of the wells and did not get back to the clerk before the meeting.

CONTINUUM

Community Center: The thermostat was replaced in the community center and discussed replacing the thermostat in the Post Office. The next time a service call is needed, a new thermostat will be requested for the Post Office. The new dusk to dawn lights make it very bright in the lots.

Roads: Ken Meinke motioned, supported by Will Deyo to accept Rodda Grading and Excavating grading contract and sign 2 copies and return one to Rodda. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED. Discussed the road survey needed to proceed with the easement on S. Strand Lake Road with St. Louis County. Cotton needs to obtain a centerline survey of the easement route. Cotton can ask St. Louis County to prepare the survey or provide a registered survey.

Meetings: Cotton Volunteer Fire Fighters Relief Assoc. Meeting – Will Deyo and Sandi Nelson. St. Louis Cty. Township Officers Meeting – Ken Meinke and Sandi Nelson.

NEW BUSINESS

Will Deyo motioned, supported by Ken Meinke to approve the following election judges and alternates for the Township Election March 9, 2010: Terry Nelson, Pay Meyer, Janis Wendell, Doris Dedina, Lowell Lund, Blanche (Sally) Meinke, Debbie Leppala and Sandi Nelson. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Discussed the St. Louis Cty. Township Assoc. Lobby Day bus to the Capitol in St. Paul March 15th and the Annual Banquet. Tabled to the March meeting after the election.

Will Deyo motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden to contribute \$100 to the Positive Options for Youth Alcohol and Drug Free Graduation Party at the Cotton School. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Will Deyo motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden to purchase landscape logs and mulch for the gardens around the community center. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

As there was no further business, Ken Meinke motioned, supported by Jamie Bowden that the meeting be adjourned at 5:05 p.m. Will Deyo aye. Ken Meinke aye. Jamie Bowden aye. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

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Respectfully submitted,

Town Clerk

Approved:

Town Chair

Date