

Town of Duluth

Town Board Meeting February 14, 2019

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisors Dave Mount, Barb Crow, Corlis West and Rolf Carlson were present, Penny Morton was absent.

Approve minutes from the January 10, 2019 Town Board meeting: Rolf made a motion to approve the minutes, Barb seconded, Corlis abstained from voting. Motion passed Aye Dave, Rolf and Barb; Abstained Corlis; Absent Penny

Approve Agenda: Barb made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, Rolf seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Additions and amendments: Sound system; Janitors Closet; Move public comment above finances.

Finances

The Treasurer reported a beginning balance of \$476,626.31, deposits of \$11,060.72, expenses of \$43,157.47 for an ending balance of \$444,529.56. Claims were reviewed, Thank you to JAWS for not totaling the Fire Department computer, instead the computer screen was replaced for far less of an expense. Question, AmeriPride has two statements this month is it a billing cycle overlap? Yes. All bills were approved for payment, the claims list for approval and payroll documents were signed.

Public Comment: A representative from the U.S. Census gave a presentation on what to expect in 2020.

Department Reports

Police: report was e-mailed

Fire: Nothing to report

Planning and Zoning:

- Storm Water
- Directors Report
 - Tax forfeits land and resolution #19-90: A non-conforming lot that is being reclassified from conservation to non-conservation so it can be sold. Planning Director Recommendation is to sell to a neighbor if possible. Dave will draft a resolution for the March meeting.
 - There was a public hearing last month for a short term vacation rental on the Aho Road which passed.
 - The Community steering group of 21 members met, it was a good meeting. The steering committee is meeting next week to look at core community values, we received 29 surveys back. There were four areas people seemed to comment on most the highest was community, rural character was important and heritage. In March the group will approve a draft, in April possible open house, it will go to the Planning Commission in May and the Town Board in June.
 - We can have a second coastal program grant which will be due in March. Sue will write and submit the grant paperwork.

Legal

- Billie Variance District Court appeal: has been dismissed. E-mail a copy to Dave

Roads:

- A letter of authorization needs to be written to the county as to who other than the Road Supervisor may request County attention to ice covered township roads.
- Wildwood Road: Some residents have requested the Wildwood Road be posted at lower speed the County supports whatever posting the Township prefers. Dave will contact the county to clarify.

Town Hall

- Absentee Ballot Board resolution #02142019: Barb made a motion to adopt resolution 02142019, Corlis seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Additional 2019 Elections will be held in May and August to fill an open County Commissioner seat vacated by Pete Stauber.
- Board of Canvass will be held before March Town Board meeting 6:00 PM
- AKRW has requested kitchen cabinet space: Board approved.
- Sound system: The speakers are old and no longer work well the amp does not give enough power per channel. Possible cost to replace is \$1000 - \$1500.
- Janitor's closet will be completed.

Emergency Operations

- St. Louis County Hazard Mitigation Plan: The Township received a communication from St. Louis County requesting we let township residents know about the County's Hazard Mitigation Plan posted on the County's web site. Don will include something in the newsletter and Barb will put it on the Township website.

Materials Management

- E-mail inquiry from WLSSD's Lorilee Blais:
- Lots of snow
- Barb has a concern. Waste Management picked up our nicely separated recycling and dumped it into a single vehicle. The reason for sorting is simply for information collection.

Cemetery: Nothing to report

Communications:

Personnel:

Old Business

- North Shore Skating Rink MOU: Termination wording has been changed and agreed upon by both parties.
- North Shore Community School Zip Line:

New Business

- Budget meeting: Wednesday February 20th 3:30 pm

Correspondence

- St. Louis County – Comprehensive Land Use Plan approved
- Township benefit insurance
- The Lake Bank post card
- SLCAT – minutes and dues statement
- Essentia health newsletter

Calendar Events and Meeting Schedule

- Annual Election 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM March 12, 2019
- Annual Meeting 8:15 PM March 12, 2019
- Board of Canvass 6:00PM March 14, 2019
- Town Board meeting 6:00PM March 14, 2019
- Board of Appeal and Equalization 4 – 5 PM April 9, 2019

Board of Audit: was held, 12 claims were randomly chosen for review, all were found to be acceptable.

Adjournment: 9:06 PM