

Town of Duluth

Town Board Meeting June 11, 2020

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance, Supervisors Rolf Carlson, Penelope Morton, Michael Kahl, John Schifsky and Tim Strom were in attendance.

Program of Work for 2020: P=Primary A=Alternate

	Rolf Carlson	John Schifsky	Michael Kahl	Tim Strom	Penelope Morton
Board Chair (P)/Vice Chair (A)	P				A
Business Management			A		P
Cemetery	P	A			
Arts and Heritage work group		P			
Communication		P			A
Materials Management				P	
Intergovernmental Relations	A	A	A	A	A
North Shore Management Board	A	A	A	A	P
Personnel	P				A
Planning			P	A	
Public Safety		P			
CC Liason/NSCS Foundation Board					P
Roads/Invasive weeds			P	A	
Town Hall			A	P	

Intergovernmental Relations: Duluth Area Townships & St. Louis County Area Townships

Business Management: Banking; Insurance; Financial

Communications: Newsletter; Internet; Social Networking; Phone Services; Web Services

Public Safety: Police; Fire; Emergency management

Approve Minutes: John made a motion to approve the minutes from May 14, 2020, Michael seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Agenda: The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Finances: The Treasurer reported a beginning balance of \$476,514.87, deposits of \$11,434.25 and expenses of \$46,110.11 for an ending balance of \$441,839.01. Claims were reviewed, there was a discussion about Class 5 limestone vs concrete; the payroll net account distribution and the claims list for approval were approved and signed.

Public Comment: There were no public comments at this meeting.

Department Reports

Police: E-mailed

Fire: We are continuing to hold our Business meetings by Zoom but will be holding a fire/EMS training at the Safe Harbor this month.

Planning and Zoning:

- The planning commission held a Zoom meeting in May, Sue and Michael Kahl were at the Town Hall.
- There are now three classes of greenhouses, the planning commission changed a few words in the description.
- There will be a public hearing in June for the horses on the Alseth Road.

- There will be a public hearing July 16th for the Comprehensive Land Use Plan update. Sue will write an article to be included in the July newsletter for the proposed hearing.
- Paperwork for the next star grant has been submitted.
- There was a complaint about a sign on North Shore Drive which has now been removed.
- A letter was sent to Laughing Leaf, we have received their applications their Conditional Use public hearings will be in July.
- Credit Card/Debit Card for cloud storage: Following discussion on the benefits on either Credit or Debit card, Rolf will contact the Lake Bank.

Legal: Nothing to report

Roads

- Chloride will be dropped June 19th, Michael will ride along. Chloride will not be dropped in 2021.
- Greenwood Beach plat should show the width of the right of way.
- North Ryan needs the road barrier checked.
- We need to create a policy regarding the replacement of culverts.

Town Hall

- Elections:
 - o our COVID plan is approved for the August 11th election, it is still advisable to apply for absentee voting.
 - o We received a grant for a new DS200 vote tabulator to replace our aging M100.
- Hall Mats: We have 9 hall mats and are currently paying \$152 a month for the service. Would it be more cost effective to purchase our own and a carpet cleaner? Tim will price out mats and contact our custodian Jody for her suggestion and recommendation.

Emergency Operations: A thank you will go into the newsletter to all the seamstresses in town who made all the face masks.

Materials Management: Nothing to report

Cemetery: Nothing to report

Communications: John will make an appointment with Nathan to discuss the newsletter

Personnel: Nothing to report

Old Business: There is no old business for this meeting.

New Business:

North Shore Skating Rink Boards: In March we approved \$8000 for the North Shore Skating Rink. The cost to replace the boards is \$10,000, we could pay for them and have them pay us back. Are we willing to lay out the \$10,000 immediately? It might be advisable to set up a contract. Place on the Agenda for July.

Correspondence

- Lake Superior School District
- St. Louis County detailing the bridge replacement.

Calendar Events and Meeting Schedule

- Town Board Meeting July 9, 2020
- Primary Election August 11, 2020

Adjournment: Tim made a motion to adjourn, Penny seconded. The motion passed unanimously.