

March 13, 2001

On the above date New Scandia Township held the Annual Meeting. Chairman, Dennis Seefeldt, Vice Chairman, Paul Rasmussen, John Martineau, Kevin Nickelson were also present. Michael Hinz was absent.

The Clerk called the meeting to order and asked for nomination of a Moderator for the meeting. Blair Joselyn was elected.

The Clerk read the Notice of the Annual Meeting and Election regarding the following:

- (1) One Supervisor for a term of 3 years for Seat One
- (2) One Supervisor for a term of 3 years for Seat Two

The minutes of the 2000 Annual Meeting were read. The Clerk reported the expenditures for the fiscal year was \$3,156,557.48 and the Treasurer reported the revenue for the fiscal year was \$2,957,258.41. Michael White made a motion to accept the minutes of the 2000 Annual Meeting and the Clerk and Treasurer report for the year of 2000. Motion adopted.

Planning Commission Report/Charles Ellis

Charles Ellis, Chairman of the Planning Commission reported on behalf of the Planning Commission. Mr. Ellis reported the township processed 28 variances approved at 9 sites and 3 variances denied at 2 sites. Five (5) Minor Subdivisions and One (1) Plat, Larson Meadows approved. Eighteen (18) Conditional Use Permit site visits and renewals. Three CUP's expanded. Echo Baken, PN Products and Ironwood Golf Range. All CUP's sites visited in September, October and November as part of a new process of reviewing all CUP's every two years. One hundred thirty one (131) Building Permits issued of which 21 were new homes.

New Scandia Fire Rescue/James Finnegan Assistant Chief

James Finnegan, Assistant Chief of the Fire and Rescue gave the following report: In the year of 2000 the Fire and Rescue Department responded to 198 emergency calls. 130 of these calls were medical or rescue assistance and 68 were fire or emergency service related. The Carols Avery Edge Fire was a fire that stands out and reminds us of the impact that fire can have on one's home and life. Run volume continues to increase in double digits with 2000 showing an 11 percent increase over 1999. The department added one member to its roster: Bill Boyd. We had two members resign: David Hawkinson with 20 years service and Lisa Starkey with 3 years. We currently have 28 members and will be conducting a recruitment drive in the spring.

2000 was a very busy year of the department with the construction of a new Fire Hall, the purchase a new Pumper and the drilling of a high volume well. Mr. Finnegan expressed a thank you on behalf of the Fire Department and Chief, Steve Spence to the Town Board and residents of New Scandia Township for their continued support.

Parks and Recreation/Michael White

No report was given by the Park and Recreation for the year.

Forest Lake Youth Service Bureau

Brian Alm thanked New Scandia Township for past support on behalf of the Forest Lake Youth Service Bureau and asked for continued financial support from township. For 25 years the Forest Lake Area Youth Service Bureau has been a resource for youth and families from New Scandia Township. ^{Manny} Many of these youth have had a brush with the law or experienced behavioral difficulties at school. Others find it hard to cope with family stress or violence.

Old Business

Mr. Kermit Granberg questioned the final cost of the Skating Facility well; size of well casing and that an informational news article sent to residents of the township would be of interest to residents. The clerk informed Mr. Granberg the township office would supply him with the information on the well.

New Business

George Lindgren made motion to increase the Gopher Bounty to the amount of \$2.00 per gopher. Motion seconded and adopted.

John Martineau informed the citizens that the 201 Project would be upgraded with funds from Tax Increment Funds.

Dennis Seefeldt informed the citizens that 188th and Norell would be reconstructed in the year of 2001 with some curb and gutter and improving water quality of Big Marine Lake. This project will also be funded by Tax Increment Funds

Michael White made a motion to reconvene the Annual Meeting to August 21, 2000.

Dolores Peterson

New Scandia Township Clerk