

January 18, 2005

New Scandia Town Board was called to order by Chairman Dennis Seefeldt. The following Board Members were in attendance: Chairman Dennis Seefeldt, Vice Chairman Michael Hinz, Michael Harnetty, Blair Joselyn and Nancy Madden.

Nancy Madden made a motion to approve the following consent agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Clerk's minutes have been presented for Town Board 12-31-04 and 01-04-05 Planning Commission
2. Treasurer report \$1,718,027.10
Balance November 30, 2004 746,032.81
Receipts 298,359.83

Balance December 31, 2004 \$2,165,700.08
3. Payment of January vouchers

Michael Hinz seconded the motion and motion adopted unanimously.

Sheriff Department/Deputy Chris Howard

Deputy Howard introduced himself as the new Deputy for New Scandia Township replacing Deputy Reedy who was dispatched to a different area in Washington County. He stated usually the Deputies are assigned to one area for three (3) years.

Fire Chief/Steve Spence

The following information was presented for May Township Fire Coverage:

The Fire Department Budget for the year of 2005 = \$179,508.00
Scandia population 2005 3796
May population 2005 2939 17% = 500
Total population 4296 per capita cost = \$41.78
Using per capita May's contribution is \$20,890.00

The office staff would contact Chairman Bill Voedisch to meet with Dennis Seefeldt, Blair Joselyn and Steve Spence to review the May Township Fire Contract.

Park and Recreation/Blair Joselyn

Blair Joselyn reviewed the Ice Rink Policy and the following change on the policy:

- (1) Hockey has priority on the hockey rink except:
Sundays noon to 6:00 p.m.

Blair Joselyn made a motion to approve the Ice Rink Policy with the changes. Michael Harnetty seconded the motion and motion adopted unanimously.

Mr. Joselyn stated an open house is scheduled for the New Scandia Township Comprehensive Parks, Trails, Open Space and Recreation Facilities Plan on January 31st. A presentation will be presented by Sanders, Wacker Bergly, Inc. The open house has been advertised in local papers.

Mr. Joselyn presented a draft of a Vision Statement for the Comprehensive Parks, Open Space and Recreation Facilities Plan.

Township Engineer/Tom Peterson

Mr. Peterson reported on the meeting with the Developer of Wild Bush Acres regarding the road through the forest area. Mr. Peterson stated it was agreed to leave the road as a rural road instead of an urban road.

Mr. Peterson reported he had reviewed the possibility of a construction of a turn-around on Novak Avenue. He stated the most feasible location for the turn-around would be on the east side south of the Augustine driveway.

A discussion was held regarding snow removal for the Plat of Wyldwood Acres. David Hebert stated that in the Development Agreement it specifies that no snow removal would be done by the Township until the second lift of bituminous surfacing has been applied and road accepted.

Township Attorney/David Hebert

Mr. Hebert reviewed the Order of the Court to grant a building permit to Paul and Patricia Mulcahy and the Township would either have to issue the permit or respond why it should not be issued. Mr. Hebert stated that the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance would assign an attorney at no expense to the Township.

Michael Hinz made a motion to proceed with not issuing the building permit to Paul and Patricia Mulcahy. Nancy Madden seconded the motion and motion adopted unanimously.

Michael Harnetty made a motion to approve the 2005 hourly rate schedule for Hebert, Welch, & Humphrey, P.A. for legal services. Blair Joselyn seconded the motion and motion adopted unanimously.

Minnesota Statutes 103.D Pertaining to Expansion of Watershed District

Mr. Seefeldt stated that Washington County is proposing to include Marine-On-St-Croix Watershed and the Orphan Area in with the Carnelian Marine Watershed so the entire area would be one Watershed District. It was agreed that Dennis Seefeldt and Michael Harnetty would review the expansion of the Watershed District.

Osgood Consulting/Goose Lake Water Management Plan

Blair Joselyn made a motion to approve the contract with Osgood Consulting for the Goose Lake Water Management Plan. Nancy Madden seconded the motion and motion adopted unanimously.

Incorporation Committee/Blair Joselyn

Mr. Joselyn reported the committee continues to meet working on the list of questions and the committee has done an excellent job on most of the questions. The committee is now reviewing the financial side of operating as a city. A public meeting will be held regarding incorporation and a workshop will be held after the public meeting. The Incorporation Committee will present the pros and cons of incorporation to the Town Board but will not make a recommendation wither to incorporate or not. A report regarding the progress of the Incorporation Committee will be given by Mr. Joselyn at the March Annual Meeting.

Election Judges/March Annual Election

Nancy Madden made a motion to appoint the following Election Judges for the March 8, 2005 Annual Election: Beverly Pratt, Patti Funni, Barbara Maile, Jerry Fearing, Judy Rydeen, Florence Daninger and Mary Hulleman. Blair Joselyn seconded the motion and motion adopted unanimously.

General/Retail Business Rezone

Michael Harnetty expressed his concerns about the ^{LACK} lack of General/Retail Business Zoning in the center of New Scandia Township. It was agreed the office staff would contact Larry Sodergren regarding possible rezone of part of the Glendon Sodergren property along Highway 97 next to the New Scandia Fire and Rescue/Public Works Building. Michael Hinz and Michael Harnetty would be the committee members to review this issue.

Nancy Madden made a motion to adjourn.

Dolores Peterson


New Scandia Township Clerk