

LeSauk Township Regular Meeting  
July 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the LeSauk Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Dan Heim at 6:00 p.m. at the Sartell Community Center – Liberty Room.

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Dan Heim, Jeff Westerlund and Paul Wagner, Treasurer Vikki Dullinger, Deputy Clerk Mary Barron-Traut and 3 interested parties.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:** SUPV WESTERLUND MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE JULY 11 AGENDA AS AMENDED ADDING NICK & ANNA GRUBER SITE PLAN TO BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR AND BEAVER DAM TO NEW BUSINESS, SECOND BY SUPV HEIM, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

**OPEN FORUM:** None.

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:**

**Travis Abe, 32625 50<sup>th</sup> Ave – Lean-To Construction** – Mr. Abe would like to construct a 14x30 sq. foot lean-to on the present accessory building on his property. The size of the lean-to will be only 16 feet from the rear yard and the rear yard setback is 30 feet in the U-1 zoning district. Supv Heim had checked with township attorney Troy Gilchrist who stated that it could be built without a variance. Sup Heim also checked with Kari Theisen, Sartell's Project Supervisor, who recommended the request be brought to the Joint Planning Board. SUPV HEIM MOTIONED TO RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF THE TRAVIS ABE SITE PLAN, SECOND BY SUPV WESTERLUND, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

**Nick & Anna Gruber, 301 21st St N, Sartell, MN – Gruber Site Plan** – The Grubers would like to add a 6'x16' addition to an existing shed. Supv Heim stated that the proposed addition meets all of the set-backs. It is zoned R-1, and Kari Theisen, Sartell's Project Supervisor, had no concerns with the proposed addition. SUPV HEIM MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE NICK & ANNA GRUBER SITE PLAN, SECOND BY SUPV WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

**MINUTES:**

SUPV WAGNER MOTIONED TO ACCEPT AS AMENDED THE MINUTES OF JUNE 27, 2023 REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING, SECOND BY SUPV WESTERLUND, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

**REPORTS:**

**ATTORNEY:** None

**BUILDING INSPECTOR:**

David Barsody, township building inspector, had emailed Supv Heim regarding the Nick & Anna Gruber project as the information he had been receiving from their contractor had been incomplete.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Treasurer Dullinger updated the Town Board of the township's fund balances: General \$324,608.93; Road & Bridge \$673,874.41; Fire \$27,367.98; Parks \$24,244.12.

SUPV HEIM MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE JUNE TREASURER'S REPORT, SECOND BY SUPV WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Supv Heim questioned Treasurer Dullinger as to the reason two tax settlements were received. Treasurer Dullinger explained that it's due to the calendar.

Discussion was held on the amount of funds that LeSauk Township could allocate towards the Townline road project, if costs exceed the \$7.5 million from approved by MN legislature.

SUPV WAGNER MOTIONED TO PAY ALL VOUCHERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,751.58 (CHECKS #14059 THRU #14071 AND EFTs 24111, 24116, 24117) SECOND BY SUPV HEIM, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Supv Wagner suggested that Treasurer Dullinger look into switching to a credit card that earns rewards. Treasurer Dullinger reported a dead deer at the intersection of 30th and County Rd 1. Also, Treasurer Dullinger questioned the date of blowpatching as her neighbor Rita Knuesel was wondering. Supv Heim stated that he'd follow up.

#### **SUPERVISORS REPORTS:**

**Jeff Westerlund:**

**322nd Street** - State Aid 4 to 133, St. Wendel has redone their part of that road, using Kamco.

**A.P.O.** - None for July

**Beaver Dam, Townline Bridge** - Supv Westerlund took pictures to share with the board.

**Dan Heim:**

**Matt Glaesman, St. Cloud Community Development Director** - Emailed Supv Heim with notification that the annexation of the Bueckers property is complete.

**Karell Sartell, 411 19th Ave S, Sartell** - Supv Heim was notified that the annexation of this property is complete.

**Carlo Schwinn, 1640 Riverside Ave, Sartell, MN** - Mr. Schwinn would like to put riprap along his shoreline. Supv Heim advised him that more specific plans are needed, and that Mr. Schwinn might need DNR approval.

**Tracy Herdina, Remax Realty** - Clerk Plante received an email from Ms. Herdina regarding Corey Oberg who has a lot with a pole shed for sale off of 40th Street No. Currently, there is no driveway access to the lot. They were wondering if the township would allow a new buyer to put a driveway in. Supv Heim messaged back with information about what the township allows.

**Paul Wagner:** None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Town Hall**

**Fee schedule** - Move to a special July 19th meeting.

**Township Clean-up Day list changes** - Supv Westerlund asked Treasurer Dullinger for copies of ideas from other municipalities.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Beaver Dam** - Supv Westerlund shared photos showing new activity under the bridge on Townline Road. After checking the dam, Travis Theis emailed Supv Heim confirming new activity by the beavers. Mr. Theis shared his new price quote – \$1000 for seven trips, setting multiple traps, and daily checks. Supv Heim emailed Nicki at the DNR and asked for a beaver trapping list. Supv Heim contacted several contractors and shared the quotes with the board. Supv Heim will email the trapper from St. Cloud to check if there are further charges.

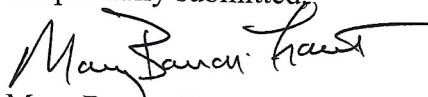
**Thomas property clean-up** – In response to a recent letter concerning the cleanup of their property, Shirley, Ted and Steve Thomas appeared before the board to discuss their efforts. Ted agreed to have the majority of the disposal complete by the next township meeting Tuesday, July 25 – add to Old Business.

**CLERKS CORRESPONDENCE REPORT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

SUPV WESTERLUND MOTIONED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY SUPV WAGNER, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Barron-Traut

LeSauk Township Deputy Clerk