

LeSauk Township Regular Meeting
August 10, 2021

The regular meeting of the LeSauk Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Dan Heim at 7:00 p.m. in the Sartell Community Center – Liberty Room.

PRESENT: Supervisors Dan Heim, Shawn Omann and Jeff Westerlund, Treasurer Vikki Dullinger, and Deputy Clerk Mary Barron-Traut, plus 5 interested parties.

AGENDA APPROVAL: SUPV OMANN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED, SECOND BY SUPV WESTERLUND, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

OPEN FORUM: None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR:

Jim Vierzba.....with Dave and JoAnn Mendel, 3257 321 Str., St. Cloud – Traffic issues on 321 Street
Mr. Vierzba voiced concerns about traffic issues on 321 Street (Foley Street). He has documented a lot of truck traffic, many of which violate the posted weight limit. He is also concerned about the speed limit violations. Both constitute safety concerns. Additionally, much of the traffic is from St. Cloud, and the overuse is wearing down the Town road.

SUPV OMANN SUGGESTED ADVISING THE TOWN'S SHERIFF COUNTY LIAISON TO ENFORCE WEIGHT LIMIT AND REDUCING THE SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH THOUGH IT WAS AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE IGNORED.

Ted Thomas, 32502 County Road, St. Cloud – Property Cleanup

Mr. Thomas spoke about the progress that he is making in cleaning up his property. He is aware of the Town's concern and is aware of the August 15 deadline, but more time is needed.

THE SUPVS HAVE CHOSEN TO GIVE HIM UNTIL THE END OF AUGUST AT WHICH TIME SUPV OMANN WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATE AS PART OF THE ROAD REPORT.

MINUTES:

SUPV OMANN MOTIONED TO APPROVE AS AMENDED, THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 27, 2021 REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING, SECOND BY SUPV WESTERLAND, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

ATTORNEY REPORT: none

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT: Supv Heim received an email from David Barsody, with *continued* questions regarding issuing a building permit and site plan approval Platinum Lawn & Landscape at the Matt Dankers parcel located at 449 Coneflower Court. Mr. Dankers wants to build a pavilion next to the pool.

SUPV HEIM NOTED THAT DANKER'S PRESENT BUILDER – BRAD WOCHNICH – IS NOT LICENSED AS A CONTRACTOR. TOWNBOARD WILL REVIEW THE SITE PLAN AND NOTIFY THE BUILDING INSPECTOR TO ISSUE THE PERMIT.

JULY TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Dullinger shared that the first half of the funds from the ARPA grant had been received. The Town has until 2024 to use the money. Move to OLD BUSINESS for next meeting.

SUPV HEIM MOTIONED TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE JULY 13 PAY RUN, MOTION SECOND BY SUPV OMANN, MOTION CARRIED 3-0. (#13626-13636. EFTS 199 & 200. \$4869.27)

SUPV HEIM MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE JULY TREASURER REPORT WITH MILEAGE CHANGE FROM GENERAL TO ROAD & BRIDGE. SECOND BY SUPV WESTERLAND, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS

Jeff Westerlund –

Jim Vierzba – Supv Westerland had asked Mr. Vierzba to attend the meeting to provide an update on the property cleanup.

Alex Udermann - Road Issue – Tree Trimming – Supv Westerland had secured two estimates (Able Tree Trimming and Guardian) for the tree trimming on 17th Street; trees would be trimmed back to right-of-way. Seven property owners would be affected by this trimming.

IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE TOWN BOARD TO MOVE THIS ITEM TO NEXT MONTH'S MEETING IN ORDER TO RESEARCH WHETHER THE RESIDENTS NEED TO BE NOTIFIED. WORK COULD BE DONE MIDDLE OF SEPT. OR OCT.

Dan Heim –

Tad Farris – 3462 Riviera Road, Sartell – Parcel size – Mr. Farris had contacted Supv Heim to discuss minimum lot sizes and the rezoning process.

Ken Freeze – Shoreline alteration – Duane and Karen Gilleland, 2824 Winnebago Road, submitted a site plan to refresh the riprap along their shoreline. Supv Heim noted that the adjustment would be above the water line. Supv Heim recommended they contact the DNR.

Paul Clark – 3106 Riviera Drive – Set backs – An application for a retaining wall was received from Clark's contractor; there were questions about the setbacks. Supv Heim contacted Stephen Gritman.

Shawn Omann –

Mary Sakry – 2668 Winnebago Road – Building variance – Ms. Sakry is requesting a variance to the present site plan for the shed she wants to build. The variance is for 16 ft side walls; Supv Omann questioned whether this variance is possible and could be done in conjunction with the front yard placement.

Beaver Dam Removal – Supv Omann reported that the dam was the work of one beaver. Supv Omann will research bids for the removal of the dam.

Ken Tormanen - Kamco Co. – Supv Omann had contacted Mr. Tormanen of Kamco to discuss the schedule for road repairs. Our Town is slated for the first week of Sept. (30th, Townline Rd., Crack seal on 1st & 40th.)

OLD BUSINESS:

Insurance Coverage – Clerk Plante reported that content replacement would cover \$25,000–30,000. \$12/year would be added to the premium.

Zander Vehicle Clean Up – No new information

Thomas Property Clean Up – Discussed during open forum.

NEW BUSINESS:

Matt Danker’s pavilion request – Site plan was reviewed.

SUPV OMANN MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE SITE PLAN AND TO INFORM BLDG INSPECTOR BARSODY, SECOND BY SUPV HEIM, MOTION CARRIED, 3-0.

Mary Sakry – Variance requested – Discussed in supervisor reports.

CLERK CORRESPONDENCE:

Eric Voigt, 2243 Riverside Ave. No. – Extra driveway inquiry – Clerk Plante received correspondence from Mr. Voigt inquiring about the process of adding another driveway off of County Road 1. Clerk Plante suggested Mr. Voigt contact Stearns County.

Score Grant – Clerk Plante reported that the grant money had been received for Town clean-up day.

July Fine Reimbursement – Clerk Plante reported that funds had been received from Stearns County for the traffic violations.

RDP Dev Property Sale – The property (39.5 acres) has been sold, and Ryan Benjamin inquired as to the process of splitting it into 5-acre parcels. Clerk Plante directed him to Sartell city for information since the property is U-1.

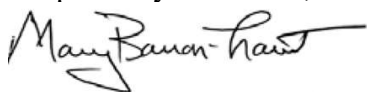
Proposed Ulwelling property sale – Jeff VanSlooten had corresponded with Clerk Plante inquiring about the property. He had been advised to contact John Halter.

Township Hall discussion – The supervisors and Clerk Plante briefly discussed options for relocating the township hall. They had looked at several options. The decision was to keep looking.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, SUPV WESTERLUND MOTIONED TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY SUPV HEIM, MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Barron-Traut
LeSauk Township Deputy Clerk