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Haverhill Township
Olmsted County, Minnesota
Minutes
March 15, 2023

The March 15, 2023, meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by supervisor D. Felt with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Board members present for the March 15, 2023, meeting was D. Felt, S. Pollack, P. Uecker, J. Johnson, B. Hain, J. Barlow, L. Zumbunnen, J Lawler and J. Mahoney.

Oath of office was given to J. Johnson(Supervisor), B. Hain(Supervisor) and J. Barlow(treasurer)

Clerk Report

The minutes of the January meeting were presented for review by J. Mahoney. S. Pollack made a motion to accept the minutes. J. Johnson second the motion; motion carried.

Treasurer Report

J. Barlow gave the treasurer report. The checking account book balance at Bremer Bank is \$162,027.49 and the Money Market account balance is \$440,301.08. The bank balance at Peoples State Bank is \$3,339.68. Stifel CDS balance is \$400,000.00. The Fitch CD is at \$2,539.34. D. Felt made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report. J. Johnson second the motion; motion carried . J. Johnson motion to pay all bills present. P. Uecker second the motion; motion carried.

Sheriff

Sheriff Torgerson approached the board to discuss the Sheriff department and the movement within the department because of retirements. Deputy Brian Howard was promoted to Chief Deputy which handles the detention center and Deputy Kelley Lee was promoted to Captain which oversees the Patrol division. The Sheriff also stated they are working on the law enforcement contract and it should be completed by April. Regarding Oakwood Treatment Center Sheriff Torgerson believes the relationship is improving and they will be notified if there is a sexual predatory there.

Sheriff Report

Deputy Thompson presented the Board with the township's sheriff's report. He stated that there were 61calls last month. The sheriff calls included the following.

- One adult protection
- 1 animal call
- 3 narcotics calls.
- 2 warrants
- 4 assists
- 5 suspicious vehicles
- Id theft
- 10 of the calls were from Oakridge Treatment Facility

- On missing call
- 2 warrants
- 3 disorderly
- 3 medical calls

Deputy Thomson stated the State is requesting township to update their ordinances regarding fines which are set up by the township and have then recorded with the State. We will need to review and update our ordinances regarding parking fines and contact Michelle Ness of the Sheriff Department. The activity in the township was similar to the previous month.

Ranger Power.

Emily Straka of Range Power, introduced herself to the Board and discussed Ranger Power solar farm proposal. At this time they are contacting residence to see if they would be interested in creating a solar farm. The project is in its early stages of development. The project would be at the most 200 Mega watt project. The Solar panels life span is between 20 and 30 years. They would need to work with the land owners to make sure they have easements to the project sites. The Township would receive 20 percent of the production tax levied; the County will receive the rest of the tax. No action taken at this time by the board.

Floor:

New News:

1. P. Uecker motion to accept the Elgin fire protection contract present to the Board. J. Johnson second the motion.; motion carried. P. made a motion to pay the full contract of \$8,172. D Felt second the motion; motion carried
2. Board of Equalization is April 10, 1:30 at the Townhall
3. J. Barlow appointed L. Zumbrunnen to Deputy Treasurer. P. Uecker made a motion to accept Laura Zumbrunnen as Deputy Treasurer. J. Johnson second the motion; motion carried.
4. Road signs at Hawthorn Hill will be looked at for replacements.
5. Jerome Lawler is the Fire Warden for Haverhill Township now. D. Felt volunteered to be the next Fire Warden.
6. Tree on 65th street taken care by Olson Tree Services
7. J. Johnson handed out site plans of the new Townhall to the parking area and Well and Septic sites.
8. Next Thursday at the Eyota Ambulance Faculty the Olmsted County Officers meeting will be at and we will be hosting.
9. Motion by B. Hain to accept quotes for rock, equipment and spraying at the next Board meeting. J. Johnson second the motion; motion carried.

Old News:

1. Lauren Theel would like to loan his grandfather Haverhill constable badge to the new hall.

Motion to adjourned was made by P. Uecker and seconded by D Felt; motion carried.

Joseph M. Mahoney, Clerk