


FOREST TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time of Meeting: September 13, 2022 6:30 p.m.		
Present: Tim Holzkamm, Barb Christiansen, Lynn Lindow; Supervisors, Donna Waliczek; Treasurer, Carol Peterson; Clerk		
Absent:		
Visitors: Bill Spartz, Lisa Jackson, Leonard Thelen, Don and Ruth Wattenhofer		
Agenda Item	Discussion Points/Notes	Actions/Follow-up Needed
Pledge of Allegiance Visitor Sign in		
Consent agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 8, 2022 Minutes • Treasurers Report • Approval of Claims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review Minutes • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Lynn to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Barb. Motion carried unanimously
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Comment 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk's Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Becker County Voter Registration Cards; Cards were sent out by the State of MN and did note that Forest Township is a mail in ballot township. • Candidate filings ; Lisa Jackson/ Clerk and Barb Christiansen/ Supervisor • MAT Magazine article. Good articles on township business • November Meeting date Monday November 7th • Becker Cty Soil/Water letter – Certified gravel and weed summary • Purchase of vacuum for town hall. Karen picked out vacuum ,clerk purchased it and gave to Karen • Approval of General Ballot Layout- draft ballot was reviewed and approved • Posted general election Notice with voting options • Becker Cty Assn. meeting October 20th 7pm County Court House 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lynn will attend


<p>Board Member Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Hall • Trash/Recycle • Roads 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sink / tbc • Dump violations –Bill Spartz asked that the fine be reconsidered. He shared his families’ concern and care for the lake’s area. He felt the fine amount was far greater than the cost of item and he had no past fines. Tim explained the rules about the dump, past experiences and process that brought about the fines. Lynn talked the extra work created for Supervisors who have to clean up or climb in dumpsters to remove items that hang up bags or are taking up extra space. Some items aren’t taken by White Earth Sanitation, have to be transported to a Landfill and additional fee paid by the Township. Bill said he had been told that the Township had dropped a fine for a resident. Barb informed him that that incident involved Becker County not Forest Township and that the Township has not vacated a fine since it was instituted. • Discussion of fines for leaving dumpster lids open – will be taken up at Annual Meeting. • Discussion - Fall Clean Up Day- Scheduled for October 11th at 5pm. • August Amnesty Day follow up - all went well. 3 dumpsters used. White Earth Sanitation picked them up Monday. • Dumpster lids replacements. Rolf ask about further work on lids. Discussion • Minimum Maintenance Road • Discussion of maintenance guidelines– Barb did a tour of roads and most are in good shape, Horseshoe Rd is in the best shape. Sunset curve is in bad shape from EBM intersection to Veronens’ Resort and E. Bad Medicine north end, is dusty and very washboard. Bass Lake Rd was discussed. • Leonard Thelen talked, again, about the new chemical Chloride that Hubbard County is using on gravel roads and how well it is performing. The compound is purchased and applied by the company. He gave Barb the name and phone number of sales representative. • Because of snow and wind this past year there is a need to do limited/ spot brushing of trees hanging over or into road way that may cause problems with snowfall. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim opened the question of vacating the fine in this situation. No motion was made and the fine will stand. • Remove from Agenda • Barb will post on Next Door Neighbor. Carol will post on Township website. • Motion by Tim for Rolf to replace dumpster hinges and doors on the last 2 dumpsters at approximately the same cost as last repair. Second by Lynn. Motion carried unanimously. • A motion by Barb to put \$5,000.00 of gravel, as Thelens’ determine, on Sunset Rd and EBM Road. Second by Lynn. Motion carried unanimously.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Commission • Weed Report • Website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BlackBear Beach Rd cul de sac – there is still building materials in the cul de sac easement. Easement is 33 ft from center of Road. • Lynn sent letters to both parties below regarding outstanding building permits and the need to reapply if not completed by the end of this year. She has had no reply from Don Tschudi. (copies on file) • Permit Haney- building completed, Lynn inspected and recommended approval. Permit Tschudi- no update • Discussion Guidance letter for Variance applications – no update • Lynn would like a one year time limit added to Building permits in the Zoning regulations and have it discussed at the Annual Meeting. Any addition or change to Zoning would require an open meeting. It was decided to schedule an open meeting to discuss adding a time limit prior to the Annual meeting and the meeting would be posted as require. • Lynn will spray later in fall. No additional mowing required. • Up to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lynn will check • A motion by Tim to approve the Haney building permit. Second by Barb. Motion carried unanimously.
Old Business	•	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit of Primary Election. Reviewed the voting summary tape .. 61 votes out of 81 registered voters. • Training Class approval – Barb would like to attend a MAT Gravel Rd workshop in Brainerd; cost is \$75.00 • Road Mileage Certification – Barb will review, complete and present at November meeting. Due by the end of November. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Tim to approve training registration and travel expense for Gravel Rd Workshop. Second by Lynn. Motion carried unanimously.
Adjourn	•	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Tim to adjourn. Second by Lynn. Motion carried unanimously.


 Tim Holzmann _____
 Date 10/11


 Barb Christiansen _____
 Date 10/11/2022


 Lynn Lindow _____
 Date 10/11/22


 Carol Peterson/ Clerk _____
 Date 10/11/22

Date Range : 9/9/2022 To 9/13/2022

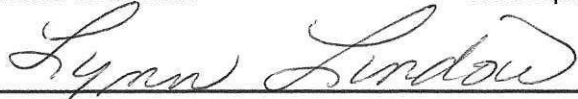
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09/13/2022	Thelen's Excavating	Grading August 2, 12,20,25 Aug 2 class Black Bear Rd Aug.2 40 yds class 5 Aug 29 20 yds	2805	\$2,697.50	201-43122-400-	Unpaved Streets	\$2,697.50
09/13/2022	White Earth Sanitation	July	2806	\$1,257.30	100-43240-384-	Waste (Refuse) Disposal	\$1,257.30
09/13/2022	Itasca Mantrap Co-op Elec. Assoc	electricity	2807	\$47.00	100-41940-381-	General Government Buildings and Plant	\$47.00
09/13/2022	Carol Peterson	Vacuum for Town Hall	2808	\$118.10	100-41940-210-	General Government Buildings and Plant	\$118.10
09/13/2022	Mark Noonan	2021 & 2022 mowing Town Hall	2809	\$180.00	100-41940-220-	General Government Buildings and Plant	\$180.00
Total For Selected Claims				\$4,299.90			\$4,299.90



Barbara Christiansen Town Supervisor

9/13/22

Date



Lynn Lindow Vice Chair, Town Supervisor

9/13/22

Date



tim Holzkamm Chair, Town Supervisor

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