

MINUTES
CARLOS TOWN BOARD
May 12, 2016 – Carlos Elementary School

Board Members attending: Rod Meyers, Bill Krivanek, Dan Lehmkuhl, Dean Yohnke and Rebecca Anderson.

Guest attending: Reiny Luedeke, Brian Coons, Steve Wirth and Sheryl Bakewell

Chairman Meyers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Krivanek moved to approve the minutes of April 28, 2016. Dan Lehmkuhl seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Brian Coons with Bargent Inc. was asked to review township roads and present a quote to the township for crack fill. The board will review the proposal and get back to him.

Road issues were discussed Reiny Luedeke with R&R. Bill Krivanek moved to pay R&R's bill for May. Dan Lehmkuhl seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Hidden Oaks: Sheryl Bakewell, realtor for a property in Hidden Oaks, has changed their vote on tarring the road. She is hoping the board will take this into consideration and change their mind on paving the road. With this change, the vote would be 19 residents supporting the project and 18.5 against. Steve Wirth indicated it would benefit the township to pave the road due to the lower oil prices. Once this is completed, property values will increase and those opposing the project would like the results. Clerk Rebecca Anderson, who is also a resident of Hidden Oaks pointed out it would be financially irresponsible for the township to pay a higher 25% of the township's portion of the project at a future date. The road will be paved at some time, so it would make sense for the township's portion to pay the lower cost now, than in the future when it most likely will be higher.

The hearing was held, the vote was taken of the residents and the board moved to deny the project. If the board was to change their standing now, it would undermine the authority of the vote of the residents. Dan Lehmkuhl feels the board's credibility will be at risk. The board decided not to change their standing on the project.

Due to the increase expense and traffic, it is becoming more difficult to maintain a gravel road with 20 or 30 parcels having one access to the highway. For that reason, Bill Krivanek thought the board should explore paving all residential areas, no matter the vote or opinion of the residents, in the years to come. This will be reviewed during budget discussions at the beginning of 2017.

Zoning: Chairman Meyers will attend the viewings scheduled for Friday, May 13th.

AAEDC: Chairman Meyers will attend the Small Business Luncheon scheduled for May 17th.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson stated she received another call from Tom Lynch regarding the property south of CR38 and St Hwy 29. He asked if the new resident could add gravel to the existing road. The board said yes, as long as he understands that at some time in the future, the State of MN could require the township to install the frontage road listed on the plat.

Bill Krivanek moved to have Bargent, Inc. crack fill Rue de Frenchmen, and South Park Drive. Dan Lehmkuhl seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Road Issues: Chairman Meyers had Mark Lee view Prairie Road in regard to the cost of applying a geotextile layer to fix this road. The road length is 220 feet at approximate \$100 per foot. Carlos Timbers also needs to have this fix, which will be a length of 100 feet.

Dan Lehmkuhl moved to hire Mark Lee to repair these two roads. Bill Krivanek seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jake Pathrath purchased property in Sailor Crossing and would like to install a driveway onto Pike Road. Dan Lehmkuhl will give him a call and visit with him onsite.

Treasurer's Report: Dean Yohnke presented his report to the board. Bill Krivanek moved to approve the report as presented. Dan Lehmkuhl seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Chairman Meyers presented the bills for May in the amount of \$24,622.63. Dan Lehmkuhl moved to pay the bills. Bill Krivanek seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Eighteen people attended a meeting at Jack Anderson's resident on South Lake Miltona Drive, in regard to a cluster sewer system in this residential area. Mr. Anderson wanted to know if the township could assist in helping with engineering costs. Bill Krivanek will check with ALASD, as there may be funds available in the township's coffers. The township will not be taking over maintenance of the system.

Chairman Meyers stated the cost for an emergency siren would be \$15,000. He is waiting for a call back from Dan Dietrich, supervisor of Ida Township to see if they would be interested in sharing the cost. Jeff Karrow, Emergency Manager is checking into any available grants.

Chairman Meyers is still working on the street lights for Three Havens Drive.

There being no further business, Bill Krivanek moved to adjourn at 9:06 PM. Dan Lehmkuhl seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rodney Meyers
RODNEY MEYERS, CHAIRMAN

Rebecca Anderson
REBECCA ANDERSON, CLERK