

Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisors met for the regular July meeting on Wednesday July 5, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Southside Town hall, Wright County, MN. The following members were present: Chairman Tim Hable, Supervisors John Reynolds & Jim Hallstrom and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Kenneth Etzler, Philip Haataja, Scott Krusemark, Dean Croat, Bernie Miller, Jeremy Kaskinen and Lonnie Hendricks.

Chairman Hable led the pledge of allegiance.

Supv Hallstrom made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2017 regular board meeting with a second by Supv Reynolds. Motion carried.

There was no one present for the open forum.

Dean Croat was present as a representative for Greg Gerulis, 14860 62<sup>nd</sup> St NW, Lake Sylvia. Mr. Gerulis is requesting a variance to allow expansion of an upper-level deck 4.5' to match the lower level deck and fill in a 10.5'x33' space between the two decks with a screen porch 14.5' from the OHW. Replace a deck with a 7.1' x 27.5' living space over existing basement that is located roadside of dwelling. The additional living spaces will require no additional footings as both decks are currently supported by footings. They are also requesting a variance to construct a 780-sf detached garage that is in the bluff. The entire project is within the bluff area and existing and proposed construction exceed impervious coverage. Supv Hallstrom stated he would like to know the lot square footage and impervious lot coverage numbers before considering the request. Supv Hable has an issue with both the lot coverage and building in a bluff area. A site meeting was planned for Monday, July 10 at 6:00 p.m. The Board will meet at 5:45 p.m. at the town hall.

Scott Krusemark, 14551 76<sup>th</sup> St NW, requests a variance to replace 814 sf dwelling that is 26.3' from the OHW of lake existing in bluff, replace decking and 156 sf boat house with a new 1,288 sf one-level dwelling over a walkout basement that is 26.3' from the OHW and located within the bluff in addition to the construction of decking between dwelling and over new 20'x20' boathouse. He is asking for a full basement rather than a 6' crawlspace so the area is useable. He is increasing the dwelling size from 814 sf to 1288 sf dwelling and the lot coverage from 4.1% to 7.4%. The existing impervious coverage is 13.8% with several concrete sidewalks and drainage into the lake. He is proposing to remove concrete and stairs and is proposing to go to 3461sq or 14.5%. The impervious surface is increasing by less than 1% with the removal of impervious surface in sensitive areas next to the lake. He is proposing the removal of existing boat house that is 12.1' from the side yard. A 20'x20' boat house will replace the existing boat house but will be 18' from the side yard and meet the setback. The walkout does not extend the whole way across the proposed dwelling and the change would be minimal for the land. He is also considering rain gardens and creating a filtration system to capture run off and plant native grasses to be placed where concrete is removed. A new septic system will be installed. The current one cannot be located. Supv Reynolds made a motion to approve the variance request to replace 814 sf dwelling that is 26.3' from the OHW of lake existing in bluff, replace decking and 156 sf boat house with a new 1,288 sf one-level dwelling over a walkout basement that is 26.3' from the OHW and located within the bluff in addition to the construction of decking between dwelling and over new 20'x20' boathouse that is 18' from the side yard. The reason variance is given is new septic system will be installed, lot coverage and impervious surface are within limits and plans to create a rain garden and filtration system to help filter water runoff. Supv Hallstrom seconded the motion. During discussion Supv Hallstrom stated he did have reservations about building in the bluff but could see that the new

septic system and rain gardens and water filtration system would be an improvement to the property. All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Kenneth Etzler, 16666 109<sup>th</sup> St NW, Lake Marie, was present to request a variance to place a full basement under his existing structure. The new basement would raise the structure by 2' to allow for a walkout. Currently there is just support beams holding up this section of the house which is being used as a laundry room. He would also like to replace a 6'x 8' deck/step with an enclosed structure that would encase the stairway to the new basement. This information was not on the original request to the county and will change the lot coverage. The lot is currently .3 acre so is under 20,000 sq ft and very possibly over the lot and impervious surface coverage limits. Ken did not know his lot coverage numbers. Action was tabled on this request so Ken could get the information regarding the lot coverage of existing structures and driveway and sidewalks and how the requested changes would affect the coverages.

Philip Haataja of 15678 109<sup>th</sup> ST NW was present because he did not like the way the road right of way was mowed in front of his residence. He does not mow the ditches himself since he has large rocks and the maintenance of the ditch would be difficult. The township maintenance contractor mowed the ditch and left it looking poorly. Chairman Hable stated the right of way must remain clear of obstructions. The obstructions would be the large rocks. He asked Philip to remove the rocks so that the township could properly maintain the ditch. He was given 30 days to remove the rocks.

Lonnie Hendricks reported beavers are blocking the culvert on 68<sup>th</sup> St NW and need to be removed. Clerk Merrill was instructed to contact both Corinna Township and the DNR to see find a resource for trapping the beavers.

The following bills were approved as presented:

<b>Check #</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Cash Account</b>	<b>Amount</b>
6613	7/5/17	Annandale Youth First	100-10100	1,000.00
6614	7/5/17	City of Annandale	100-10100	21,118.00
6615	7/5/17	Earl F. Andersen, Inc.	100-10100	237.50
6616	7/5/17	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	29.31
6617	7/5/17	Wright County Highway Dept.	100-10100	119.90
6618	7/5/17	Waste Management	100-10100	2,773.68
6619	7/5/17	Central MN Dust Control LLC	100-10100	1,365.00
6620	7/5/17	Windstream Meeker Cooperative Light & Power	100-10100	44.67
6621	7/5/17	Assoc	100-10100	38.00
6622	7/5/17	Norgren Tree Service	100-10100	1,100.00
6623	7/5/17	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	784.83
6624	7/5/17	Timothy A. Hable	100-10100	83.11
6625	7/5/17	John H. Reynolds	100-10100	83.11
6626	7/5/17	James Hallstrom	100-10100	80.66
6628	7/5/17	Reinhardt Maurer	100-10100	425.50
6629	7/5/17	United States Treasury	100-10100	1,199.11
1-319-778-112	7/5/17	MN Dept of Revenue	100-10100	115.86
6627	7/5/17	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	5,580.00
	7/6/17	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	1,515.12
<b>Total</b>				<b>37,693.36</b>

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m