

Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisors met for the regular meeting on Tuesday August 2, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at Southside Town Hall. The following members were present: Chairman Marty Ferguson, Supervisors Tim Hable & Jim Hallstrom and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Bob & Elaine Fleskes, Mike Murphy, Kirk Linderholm, Darin Bersch, Aleta Isaacson, Don Kunelius, Bill & Elaine Johnson, Jerry & Cathy Dick, David Housladen, Ron Bray, Ron Holeies, Jeff & Beth Matthews.

Chairman Ferguson led the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2022, meeting with a second by Supervisor Hable. Motion carried.

Ron Bray of WSB was present to present the bids received for Montgomery Ave and 80th ST overlay project. There were 5 bidders for the project. Engineers estimate was \$299,880. The low bid was from Knife River at \$325,741.00. Ron stated it was a bit higher than the estimate but asphalt prices are up. Ron said since we had 5 bids, we can be confident it's a good bid. He recommends awarding the contract to Knife River. Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve Knife River's bid of \$325,741.00 with a second by Supervisor Hable. Motion carried.

Ron stated the start date will be within 3 weeks with a substantial completion date of October 7 and final inspection on October 14.

Bob & Elaine Fleskes were present to discuss a compost site for Southside Township. Elaine's been getting calls since Corinna Township and Annandale shut off use by non-residents. Many residents spoke about the need and the amount of yard and lake waste they have. The Board stated the Wright County compost facility is available for use. The residents don't like the 30-mile round trip. The Board stated we do not have the means to have a compost facility. We have no land or equipment. Reports from Corinna township showed the cost for the compost is \$100,000 per year and they have their own equipment and men to do the work. The township's priority is for road repair and maintenance. Residents asked about the possibility of having a waste carrier pick up yard waste. The Board suggested perhaps getting a dumpster and hiring someone to haul it to the County however Jeremy Kaskinen stated no commercial waste was allowed to be dumped at the County site. Chairman Ferguson thanked the residents for attending and the input. Wright County compost is free for residents to use and it's already paid for.

Jeffrey & Beth Matthews, 6370 Quinn Ave NW, were present to request a variance to convert existing sunroom and deck which are 18' x 26' into a four-season space, add a loft over the existing cabin, extend the roadside overhang 2' x 14' and add a 4'x10' deck. The request would not further encroach the shoreland setback than the existing home which is 67.5' to west Lake Sylvia where 75' is required. Jeff explained they had asked and received a variance for the 4-season porch two years ago but did not get it built. Since that time they have been spending more time at the lake and Beth has been working from the home. They are now asking for a loft so that she can use the space as an office. The existing cabin does not meet the setback and the new addition will not infringe any closer. The addition will not cause the lot coverage to go above the 25% max. Their septic system is compliant. Supervisor Hable made a motion to approve the request to convert an existing sunroom and deck which are 18' x 26' into a four-season space & add a loft over the existing cabin, extend the roadside overhang 2' x 14' and add a 4'x10' deck due to the request would not further encroach the shoreland setback than existing 67.5' currently and the septic system is compliant. Supervisor Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ron Holeies, 15883 107th St NW was present to ask about the grading on 107th St. He feels the pitch is not correct and asked the Board to investigate it. The Board will go out to the site to review the road.

Bob Frappier was present to discuss the clean up of his property. He is working on getting it done and only has two vehicles left to move. He is waiting for someone to come pick them up. The Board will do a drive by and let him know if he is now compliant.

Jeremy Kaskinen reported he will be doing trimming along Newcomb Ave NW between 70th St NW and 73rd St NW due to overgrown lilac and bushes. The Clerk will send out letter informing the property owners the trimming will be done and asking them if they'd like the bushes trimmed or totally removed.

The following bills were approved as presented:

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
7631	8/2/22	Adam's Pest Control Inc.	100-10100	150.11
7632	8/2/22	Annandale Youth First	100-10100	1,500.00
7633	8/2/22	Central MN Dust Control LLC	100-10100	13,177.50
7634	8/2/22	Cokato Janitorial LLC	100-10100	113.98
7635	8/2/22	Meeker Cooperative Light & Power Assoc	100-10100	38.00
7636	8/2/22	Norgren Tree Service	100-10100	2,170.00
7637	8/2/22	Windstream	100-10100	150.19
7638	8/2/22	Waste Management	100-10100	3,456.30
7639	8/2/22	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	49.07
7640	8/2/22	WSB & Associates	100-10100	6,476.50
7641	8/2/22	FS3	100-10100	17.25
7642	8/2/22	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	1,175.36
7643	8/2/22	Timothy A. Hable	100-10100	166.23
7644	8/2/22	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	83.11
7645	8/2/22	James Hallstrom	100-10100	219.30
7644V	8/2/22	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	-83.11
7646	8/2/22	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	166.23
7630V	8/2/22	Google LLC	100-10100	-6.00
7647	8/2/22	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	4,506.00
7648	8/2/22	City of South Haven	100-10100	23,931.50
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	8/4/22	Google LLC	100-10100	6.00
Total				57,659.00

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.