

Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisor met for the regular meeting on Tuesday July 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at Southside town hall, Wright County, Minnesota. The following members were present: Chairman Jim Hallstrom, Supervisor Marty Ferguson, Supervisor Dan Berg and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Mary Pomerleau, John Greenwood, Bernie Miller, Scott Kirby, Steve Hoien, Jeff Yates, Mary Yates, Jim & Julie Maleska, Gary Dagner, Paul Otto.

Chairman Hallstrom called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2023, regular meeting with a second by Supervisor Ferguson. Motion carried.

The public hearing for the 61<sup>st</sup> St NW Road vacation has been moved to August since our township attorney is not present.

Jeff & Mary Yates, 17196 108<sup>th</sup> ST NW were present to request a variance to construct a new single-family dwelling 65' from the ordinary high-water line, 44.2 ft from the centerline of the road and 15 ft. from the drain field. The existing cabin and deck is closer to the lake than the proposed home. The existing cabin will be torn down and a new log home built in its place. Current impervious coverage is at 10% and will move to 14.8% after construction. Total lot coverage is at 20.8% and will move to 25% after construction. The new home will be moved back from the lake to 65'. A new septic system is being installed. The road is a small private road that does not have a lot of traffic. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the request to construct a new single-family home 65' from the OHW, 44.2 ft from the centerline of the road and 15 ft from the drain field due to the new home will be further from lake than existing, a new septic system and lot coverage is under allowed. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim and Jacki Maleska and Gary Dagner were present to discuss adjusting lot lines and having the Township take over 67<sup>th</sup> St NW once it is improved. They would like to square off Orth Ave NW and extend the lot lines from the lake to a new road. They plan to improve 67<sup>th</sup> ST and vacate Orth Ave. The Board informed them that they would be responsible for building the road to township standards. The lot line adjustments include the neighbor's properties which they have received verbal approval from. The Board stated they will need to see more concrete plans before they can commit to taking over the road. They will need to contact Township engineer regarding the road standards and get written documentation from neighbors regarding the lot line adjustments. A survey of Orth Ave will need to be done and paperwork needs to be done which can be done with the direction of township attorney Mike Couri. The Maleska's were encouraged to contact Clerk Merrill if they have any questions.

Arbor Creek Holding company has petitioned the county for a conditional use permit for a land alteration of approximately 16,798 yards within the shoreland and amend an existing conditional use permit for a platted subdivision to allow a home to be built lakeside below the bluff. Paul Otto was present to present the plan. He stated the plan was to grade some of the bluff off from the top and fill it in below the hill. The plan is to slant the driveway to the west so the overflow of water runs into a planned swale into the lake. The planned home would be 4' above the OHW. Material from the driveway will be used in the lower portion of the lot. Residents present stated they felt that the area near the lake is wetlands. Paul stated when the plat was done wetland delineation was done and that area is not a wetland. Steve Hoien stated he was present at the original plat meeting where the developer stated the building would take place on the high ground. Wright County Planning has stated that any changes to the plat would need to be reviewed by the County which is why they are here for a CUP. Supervisor Ferguson stated he would like to wait to see what Wright County does before the township acts. He isn't comfortable with this request. Paul stated he believes the planning commission will call for a site review before they act on the request. Clerk Merrill will let the Board know if a site review is planned. She will also post on the township website. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to table action on the request until after the County reviews. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Supervisor Berg made a motion to approve the South Haven Fire Department fire contract for 2024 in the amount of \$50,778. Supervisor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jim Hallstrom, 9805 Nevens Ave NW was present to requests a variance to construct an addition to the existing home that would be located within the shoreland building setback. A variance is required as the proposed addition would be 60.1 ft. from the edge of the existing tree line that is adjacent to the lake of an unnamed natural environment lake. The lake does not have a OHW line. The proposed 22' x 26' addition to the existing garage will be 60.1 feet from the lake. The existing home is 41.7' from the lake. The septic system is compliant and the lot is 4 acres so lot coverage is not an issue. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve a 22'x26' addition to the existing garage 60.1' from the lake due to the addition being no closer to the lake than existing structure, lot coverage is not an issue and septic is compliant. Supervisor Berg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The following bills were approved as submitted:

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
online ach	7/4/23	Google LLC	100-10100	6.00
7827	7/11/23	Adam's Pest Control Inc.	100-10100	165.12
7828	7/11/23	Annandale Advocate	100-10100	50.40
7829	7/11/23	B&N Signs	100-10100	25.00
7830	7/11/23	Central MN Dust Control LLC	100-10100	85,539.90
7831	7/11/23	Cokato Janitorial LLC	100-10100	113.98
7832	7/11/23	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	20,658.60
7833	7/11/23	Minn Assn of Townships Agency	100-10100	2,833.00
7834	7/11/23	Meeker Cooperative Light & Power Assoc	100-10100	48.00
7835	7/11/23	Heather Paumen	100-10100	138.00
7836	7/11/23	City of South Haven	100-10100	24,649.50
7837	7/11/23	Waste Management	100-10100	3,650.85
7838	7/11/23	Windstream	100-10100	188.25
7839	7/11/23	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	49.07
7840	7/11/23	Wright County Finance & Taxpayer Servic	100-10100	28,710.00
7841	7/11/23	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	1,196.68
7842	7/11/23	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	92.35
7843	7/11/23	Dan Berg	100-10100	92.35
7844	7/11/23	James Hallstrom	100-10100	91.35
7845	7/11/23	Reinhardt Maurer	100-10100	545.75
7846	7/11/23	City of Annandale	100-10100	24,876.00
0-351-253-088	7/11/23	MN Dept of Revenue	100-10100	188.70
94790750	7/12/23	United States Treasury	100-10100	1,344.99
somper000707966	7/12/23	Public Employees Retirement Association	100-10100	182.00
<b>Total</b>				<b><u>195,435.84</u></b>

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.