

Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisors met for the regular meeting on Tuesday March 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at Southside Town Hall, Wright County, MN. The following members were present: Chairman Marty Ferguson, Supervisors Tim Hable and Jim Hallstrom and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Wes Ostlund, Lonnie Hendricks and Jeremy Kaskinen.

Chairman Ferguson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2022 meeting with a second by Supervisor Hable. Motion carried.

No one was present for the open forum.

Supervisor Hable made a motion to approve the Audit engagement letter with Burkhardt & Burkhardt for 2021-2023 with the following fees: 2021 \$6500 for audit and \$300 State Auditor Report; 2022 \$7,150 audit fee and \$325 State Auditor report; 2023 \$7,850 audit fee and \$350 State Auditor report. Supervisor Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Wes Ostlund presented a petition to request vacation of a portion of 64th ST NW. The corner of the existing garage is sitting on the road and needs to be vacated. The original request for vacation was changed due Wright County stating the two existing lots at the end of the road would not have access to a public road with the original request. They would not allow any upgrades or building permits if there is not access to a public road. Wes changed the request to just the portion of the road under the garage corner. Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve Resolution 22-02:

RESOLUTION 22-02
SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR VACATION OF ROAD

WHEREAS, certain landowners, all of whom are voters residing in Southside Township and who own property within a three mile radius of the road to be vacated as described below, have petitioned the Town Board of Southside to vacate that portion of a township road described below:

That part of 64th Street Northwest, as dedicated by Coates P. Bull Addition, Wright County, Minnesota, according to the recorded plat thereof, described as follows:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot 12, said Coates P. Bull Addition; thence on an assumed bearing of North 89 degrees 44 minutes 41 seconds East, along the North line of said Lot 12, a distance of 66.12 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 44 minutes 41 seconds East, along said North line, a distance of 13.70 feet; thence North 40 degrees 32 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 8.71 feet; thence South 50 degrees 16 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 10.45 feet to the point of beginning.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHSIDE, MINNESOTA:

1. The Town Board finds that the road to be vacated abuts lands owned by:
 - a. Susan L Keskey as Trustee of the Susan L. Keskey Revocable Trust Agreement, Jeffrey P. Johnson and Amee J. Pribyl, c/o Amee J. Pribyl, 3717 90th Street N.W., Maple Lake, MN 55358.
 - b. Barbara J. Ostlund, 15095 64th Street N.W., Annandale, MN 55302.

2. The Town Board hereby schedules a public hearing to consider the vacation of that portion of the road described above. Said public hearing shall be held on April 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Southside Town Hall. The Town Board hereby directs the Clerk to post notice of said public hearing at least ten days before said hearing is to be held.

3. The Town Board hereby directs the petitioners to cause personal service of this resolution and the road vacation petition upon the landowners described in paragraph 1 above, said service to be had at least 10 days prior to the public hearing described in paragraph 2 above. The Township clerk shall post said petition and this resolution at the normal Township posting locations at least 10 days prior to the public hearing.

4. Within 40 days after the filing of the award of damages any owner or occupant may appeal from the award by filing a notice of appeal with the court administrator of the Wright County District Court. However, the owner or occupant must file the notice of appeal within ten days in order to delay the alteration, change, or other improvement in or to the road pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 164.07, Subdivision 10. The notice of appeal shall be accompanied by a bond of not less than \$250, with sufficient surety approved by the judge or the county auditor conditioned to pay all costs arising from the appeal in case the award is sustained. A copy of the notice shall be mailed by registered or certified mail to the town clerk or any member of the town board. The notice of appeal shall specify the award or failure to award appealed from, the land to which it relates, the nature and amount of the claim of appellant, and the grounds of the appeal, which may include a challenge to the public purpose or necessity of the proposed road or condemnation.

Supervisor Hable seconded the motion. The following members voted aye: Hallstrom, Hable and Ferguson. Motion carried.

Clerk Merrill presented a request from Jenna Schall requesting a property owner meeting for the 61st St NW issue. The property that was owned by Molly VanMetre has been sold and they would like to talk to the new owner about fixing the issues. The Board stated they would like the property owners to have a meeting on their own since they were given the solution last year at our last meeting. Mike Couri is also looking into what happened to the avenue of a cartway.

The Board worked on the 2023 Budget.

The following bills were approved as presented:

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
7555	3/1/22	Annandale Advocate	100-10100	189.80
7556	3/1/22	Couri & Ruppe, PLLP Meeker Cooperative Light & Power	100-10100	625.00
7557	3/1/22	Assoc	100-10100	38.00
7558	3/1/22	Norgren Tree Service	100-10100	980.00
7559	3/1/22	Waste Management	100-10100	3,435.80
7560	3/1/22	Windstream	100-10100	151.78
7561	3/1/22	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	48.57
7551	3/1/22	James Hallstrom	100-10100	82.41
7552	3/1/22	Timothy A. Hable	100-10100	166.23
7553	3/1/22	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	96.55
7554	3/1/22	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	1,155.24
7562	3/1/22	Mid-Minnesota Hot Mix Inc.	100-10100	16,959.11
7563	3/1/22	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	13,240.00

somper000642295	3/2/22	Public Employees Retirement Association	100-10100	<u>166.60</u>
Total				<u><u>37,335.09</u></u>

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