

Pursuant to due call and notice there of the Southside Township Board of Supervisors met on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at Southside Township Hall, Wright County, MN. The following members were present: Chairman Tim Hable, Supervisor Marty Ferguson, Supervisor Jim Hallstrom and Clerk/Treasurer Carmen Merrill. Also present: Alan and Aleta Isaacson, Bob & Elaine Fleskes, Stephen, Julie and JT Grundy, Scott Kirby, Steve Hoiem, Nancy Tedie, John Bergstrand, Bernie Miller, JoAnne and Ray Wolf, Paul Otto, Christopher Snowden, Lynn Rohman.

Chairman Hable led the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2021 regular meeting. Chairman Hable seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Hable reported on the clean up property list. Two properties require follow up letters.

Supervisor Ferguson reported on the traffic count for Nevens Ave NW. The counter was out from 9/8/21 to 10/5/21, 27 days and had a total count of 28,198 or 1044 cars per day. There were many residents present that had concerns about the development of the land that was being annexed by the City of Annandale. They asked about the number of lots, where the road was to be moved and how many docks would be installed at the common lot. The major concern they had was the impact of the development of the land on Lake John. They reported the phosphorus levels are rising in the lake and the additional homes, run off and boats will impact this number. The Board stated the annexation was all we were involved with. The actual development would be monitored and regulated by the City of Annandale and the DNR since it was lakeshore. The residents asked the Board to postpone signing the agreement until next month and asked the Board to invite the City of Annandale to the next meeting so the questions could be addressed. Clerk Merrill stated we did not have the approved and signed agreement from the City of Annandale yet so it would not be signed tonight. She will extend an invitation to the City of Annandale to attend the November 2 meeting.

Chairman Hable reported he had contacted the State of Minnesota regarding a speed study on 80th ST NW. The Board needs to pass a resolution to request the study be done. Lynn Rohman was also present to report on the meeting she had with Chris Husom and Virgil Hawkins. They were very supportive of the speed study and reported a walking trail was in the Counties long term plan for the trail system. The group of citizens working on the 80th St safety will keep a watch out for grants and partners that would and could help with this walkway. Supervisor Ferguson reported the traffic count on 80th St W was 1567/day currently compared to 995/day in 2018. Chairman Hable stated the township would be willing to install the speed signs we installed on Quinn Ave NW but will wait for the results of the speed study from the State of MN.

Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve the following resolution:

**TOWNSHIP, WRIGHT COUNTY, MINNESOTA
RESOLUTION 2021-03**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Mn/DOT) TO CONDUCT A TRAFFIC
INVESTIGATION/SPEED STUDY
ON 80th St NW IN ANNANDALE, MN
BETWEEN COUNTY ROAD 2 and COUNTY ROAD 3**

WHEREAS, Southside Township is a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, no speed limit is currently posted on 80th ST NW between County Road 2 and County Road 3; and

WHEREAS, the speed limit of non-posted roads is 55 mph; and

WHEREAS, Township Clerk/Treasurer, County Sheriff and Southside Township Board have received complaints regarding the safety resulting from no posted speed limit on the roadway; and

WHEREAS, the Southside Township Board feels the speed limit on this road should be less than 55 mph and posted at the appropriate speed; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation sets regulatory speed limits on all local roads based on a thorough engineering and traffic investigation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHSIDE TOWNSHIP BOARD, WRIGHT COUNTY, MINNESOTA

1. That the Township Board hereby requests MnDOT, pursuant to MN Statute 169.14, conduct the required traffic investigation on 80th ST NW between County Road 2 and County Road 3 to determine the appropriate speed limit and provide the results to the Southside Township Board.

Motion seconded by Supervisor Ferguson. Supervisors Hable, Ferguson and Hallstrom voted aye. Motion carried.

Paul Otto was present for the final approval of Hannah's Landing developers' agreement. Mike Couri, the township attorney has reviewed and approved the agreement and recommended signing. Supervisor Hallstrom made a motion to approve the developer's agreement for Hannah's Landing with Kami, Inc and its affiliate Hannah's Arrival, LLC. Supervisor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stephen and Julie Grundy were present to review an existing permit to operate a paintball playing field as a commercial outdoor recreation facility. The permit was last reviewed September of 2018. The address of the property is 13659 100th ST NW, South Haven MN 55382. The Board has not heard any negative reports about the business. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the permit and review in 3 years. Supervisor Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ray Wolf and Bernie Miller were present to request a variance for 14223 68th ST NW to allow expansion of an existing non-conforming dwelling that is 9 ft. from a bluff, 71.6 ft. from the lake and 45 ft. from the center of the road by building a 543 sq. ft. addition over a walkout basement and a new 168 sq. ft. addition over an existing garage that has a deck on top. Proposed addition to be 40.2 ft. from the center of the road. Proposal includes a new septic system to be placed on a backlot. Currently the building coverage is at 10% and the expansion will increase the coverage 2.8%. The current impervious coverage is over the 25% but plans include removal of some existing impervious substance which will bring total coverage to 24.9%. 68th ST NW is a private road and does not get a lot of traffic. There is a new septic system proposed which would be installed on the back lot and would require crossing 68th ST. The bluff infringement is on the current structure and the proposed expansion does not go any further into the bluff. The Wolf's family is growing and they would like the extra room for the family. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the expansion of the existing home to build a 543 sq ft addition 40.2 ft from the center line of the road due to new septic system, new expansion not extending further into bluff and impervious lot coverage coming down to 24.9%. Supervisor Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gary Dagner was present to review a concept idea for 14059 67th ST NW. The new owner would like to build a road to township specs and straighten the lines on existing lots and road. The plan would be to build a turn around so the township could maintain. The Board had no issues with the planned road upgrade as long as the neighbors all retain access to their property and the road is built to meet the township standards as set out in the Roadways Standards Policy.

Supervisor Hallstrom presented a bid from Eric Nyren Welding for the handrail at the township hall. The bid for stainless steel is \$1255 and regular steel is \$1175. Labor cost would be \$2100-\$2500. Supervisor Ferguson made a motion to approve the stainless-steel handrail at a cost of approximately \$3275-\$3755 and authorized Clerk Merrill to send a check for \$1255 for materials. Supervisor Hallstrom seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Supervisor Ferguson presented a bid from Mid – MN Hot Mix for \$990 for patching of various potholes in the township.

The following bills were approved as presented:

Check #	Date	Payee	Cash Account	Amount
7466	10/4/21	Hendricks Sand & Gravel	100-10100	6,051.25
7464	10/5/21	French Lake Township	100-10100	2,951.13
7465	10/5/21	Beritec LTD	100-10100	171.42
7467	10/5/21	Reinhardt Maurer Meeker Cooperative Light & Power	100-10100	610.50
7468	10/5/21	Assoc	100-10100	39.00
7469	10/5/21	Norgren Tree Service	100-10100	2,730.00
7470	10/5/21	Russel Security Resource INC	100-10100	896.00
7471	10/5/21	Ultra Concrete Inc.	100-10100	17,650.00
7472	10/5/21	Windstream	100-10100	150.93
7473	10/5/21	Wright County Auditor Treas.	100-10100	377.50
7474	10/5/21	Wright Hennepin Electric	100-10100	48.37
7475	10/5/21	WSB & Associates	100-10100	1,766.00
7477	10/5/21	James Hallstrom	100-10100	82.23
7478	10/5/21	Carmen M. Merrill	100-10100	2,418.89
7479	10/5/21	Timothy A. Hable	100-10100	102.15
7480	10/5/21	Eric M. Ferguson	100-10100	83.11
7476	10/5/21	United States Treasury	100-10100	1,096.11
7481	10/5/21	Eric C Nyren	100-10100	<u>1,255.00</u>
Total				<u><u>38,479.59</u></u>

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.