

La Crescent Township
Monthly Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2015

Final Approved

Township Board Members Present:

Bob Cummings	Tom Wright	Larry Hafner
Dan Brodigan	William Beckman	
Larry Jankowski	Karen Schuldt	

Co-Chairman Bob Cummings called the July monthly meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present. Clerk Schuldt took the roll call.

4. Approval of Agenda: **Tom Wright made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

5. Minutes of May 11, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: **Tom Wright made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections of changing the spelling on Miles to Migahles and added the word look under paragraph 8, Tom Wright seconded, motion carried.**

6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: Joe Thesing 110 Crescent Ave. addressed the board asking for an orderly annexation with the City for his property as he would like to hook up to the City sewer services. The Township received a letter from Attorney Wieser for two notices of intent for an orderly annexation. The 110 Crescent Avenue along with portions of Crescent Avenue and Valley Lane previously not annexed. The second notice is for property known as the Boat Landing adjoining the West Channel Bridge. Copies of the letter was given to the board. **Dan Brodigan made a motion to approve the orderly annexation on both properties, Tom Wright seconded, motion carried.**

Larry advised at the last Planning Commission meeting Mr. Joe Smith 1411 County Road 6 was present as he wanted to address some concerns with the project that Mr. Tom Ready is doing that is filling in his property. Following a meeting with each Larry requested that both parties attend the board meeting this evening. Tom Ready gave an update on his project and is waiting for it to dry up so Niebling Landscaping can place the matting and the seeding down. Mr. Smith addressed the board with concerns that the original plans were to have extra fill brought in to raise his end so there were no worries of water backing up. Joe indicated they have run out of fill and the way they have it graded on his property he's going to lose property as the water flows. Mr. Ready indicated the problem is with the water that is coming from North side of County 6 and once the grass is in place it should slow the water down. Mr. Smith presented a video to the board. The board directed Mr. Ready to get it done as soon as possible. Following discussion; Tom Ready will get together with Tom Niebling and Joe Smith and they will work together to get it resolved.

Bob advised the board is suspending this meeting at 7:30 to hold the Special Public

meeting at 7:30 to consider an amendment to our current Township Flood Plain Ordinance. The town board meeting was reconvened at 7:45pm.

Bob read the letter of resignation from Dewey. Teresa Walter addressed the board that she has worked with Dewey for over 20 years on/off and he has done a fine job for La Crescent Township and she thanked him. The board also thanks Dewey for his services. Bob addressed the vacancy of Dewey as Chairman. Bob was appointed Co-Chairman at the Organizational meeting and he has indicated he is willing to be the Chairman going forward. **Dan motioned to have Bob be the Chairman, Tom Wright seconded, motion carried. Dan made a motion to hire Dewey to help Bill with the roads and ect. Tom Wright seconded, motion carried.**

7. Treasurers Report: **Dan Brodigan made a motion to approve the Treasurers report, Tom Wright seconded, motion carried.**

8. Zoning Report: Larry reported building permit number 1266 was issued to Watt Wolfe at 2630 County 6 to replace the sewer system. Larry advised there is a position open on the Board of Adjustment and one on the Planning Commission. Larry reported the property that is out on County Road 6 that was given a warning to get his property cleaned up has been in contact with him. The property owner advised he will have it cleaned up by the end of July. Bob added the Planning Commission meeting was pretty much a recap of the meeting tonight with Mr. Ready & Mr. Smith. Planning Commission member Curt Murray has asked for his property to be annexed into the City which opens up another PC member position.

9. Clerk Report: Karen reported the board received one letter from three properties owners Paul & Judy Ulland, Marlin & Darlene Anderson and Curtis & Marcia Murray. The letter states they are graciously requesting consideration for annexation of their properties into the city of La Crescent. The letter states connection to the city of La Crescent water and sewer systems would be important for future sales of their homes. A copy of the letter was given to the board. Karen advised the 1st District of the Minnesota Association of Townships meeting is Thursday, August 13th; Registration at 6:30 with the meeting at 7:30 at the American Legion Post in Albert Lea.

10. Other or Old Business: none

11. Supervisors Report: Tom reported the Fire Co-op met June 22nd with an onsite visit to the fire station to look at the new truck. Other items for consideration were the sale of the old vehicle along with the CPR mannequins on the internet. Exterior lighting and an awning was approved for \$3,000. Two donations of \$1,000 were received on behalf of Charlie Wieser and a \$250 donation was received from the Tri-State Two Wheeler Club. Bob reported he attended the Houston County Emergency Management meeting in Caledonia and the one that was held today at 4:30. Things that were brought up for La Crescent Township were getting some funding help from FEMA for repairs on Pine Creek Road and also a second access for Crescent Hills Drive.

12. Bills for Audit: **Dan Brodigan made a motion to accept the bills as presented, Tom Wright seconded, motion carried**

13. Adjournment: **Tom Wright made a motion to adjourn at 8:13 pm. Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk