

La Crescent Township
Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2015

Final Approved

Township Board Members Present:

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

Chairman Bob Cummings called the October 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 September 14, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: **Dan Brodigan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Bill Beckman seconded, motion carried.**

6. Visitors/Speakers to Address the Board: None

7. Treasurers Report: **Bill Beckman made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as presented, Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

8. Zoning Report: Larry reported there were no building permits issued this month.

Larry advised the Planning Commission met October 5th. Chairman Cummings indicated that because he has accepted the Township Board Chairmanship that he should not also be the chairman of the Planning Commission at the same time. Bob nominated Wayne Oliver to take over as Planning Commission Chairman, nominations closed and Wayne was appointed by unanimous consent. Other discussion was held on updating the Township ordinance to be in sync with the County's ordinance and administration of the National Flood Insurance Program for our Township. Also extended discussion was held regarding the Houston County Planning Committee public hearing.

9. Clerk Report: Karen reported our 2014 AcenTek capital credits allocation is \$53.83. The township has received a letter from Rick Frank indicated that effective January 1, 2016 household fee's will increase from \$3.00 to \$3.50 per household. Karen questioned if we still needed to hold the refund for James McCool or if it could be submitted in the bills for tonight. **Dan made a motion to issue the \$1,000 road deposit refund to James McCool, Tom Wright seconded, motion carried.** Karen added she received a letter from Charlene Meiner reference MN Energy Payback. The letter states that we have been receiving tax payments from property owned by MN Energy. MN Energy's property is valued by the Minnesota Department of Revenue (MN DOR) and Houston County calculates their taxes based on that value. MN Energy has taken the MN DOR to court over the valuations. MN DOR indicated that the MN Supreme Court will

hear the case sometime this fall. If the Supreme Court does not find in favor of the MN DOR all of the counties involved will be required to make a substantial payback to MN Energy for taxes 2009 through 2013. The estimate she currently has for the township is \$3,118.23 incase we need to budget for it in 2016.

10. Other or Old Business: none

11. Supervisors Report: Bill reported the plow truck is over at Michels getting the box fixed and will hopefully be finished this week. Bob reported he's going to look at doing some tree trimming on Crescent Hills Drive and he also received a call from Brian Pogodzinski at the County questioning the liability insurance at Town Hall. Bob indicated that Mike Abnet is willing to be our snowplow operator but would like back up just incase. Tom and Dan no report this month.

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

13. Adjournment: **Bill Beckman made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 pm. Dan Brodigan seconded, motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Schuldt, La Crescent Township Clerk