

Ravenna Township, Dakota County

1. Supervisor Brian Riches called the September 10, 2020 regular board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Paul Curtis, Carl Reuter and clerk/treasurer Caroline Spurgeon were present. This meeting was held at the town hall practicing social distancing.
2. Carl moved to approve the agenda as printed. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
3. Carl moved to approve the regular board meeting minutes of 08/13/2020 as printed. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
4. Carl moved to approve the Financial Cash Control Statement and Receipts Register ending August 31, 2020 as presented. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
5. Reviewed Stantec email on the Evergreen Terrace Waterway Study for replacing culverts #2, #3 and #5. Margin of error on table is 1 to 2" and culverts need to be 100% open. Paul talked to Blake Peine about his parcel 33-63000-00-011 and understands the issue and is open to proposals. Need Stantec to do cost evaluation/impact on water storage upstream and look at culvert on Orlando Ave. Tom Groh noted that if water goes over 200<sup>th</sup> Street there is flooding in Evergreen Terrace. Money was approved to do culverts in 2021.
6. Tom Groh reviewed the 180<sup>th</sup> Street encroachment repair at Karlson's/Niebur's. Upon consensus, fix will be done in Spring 2021 to limit damage due to snow plowing.
7. Roads were discussed. Pot holes in areas will be graded. The intersection of 185<sup>th</sup> St / Ravenna Trail needs sweeping. A work order was given to Tom at Minnesota Sodding Company.
8. Call from the Agenda Sign-In Sheet: Butch Chapin of 17831 200<sup>th</sup> St asked about the status of the land swap. Caroline advised that as soon as their property taxes are paid in full for 2020, the land swap will be finalized.
9. An application was reviewed for solar panel array at 18430 Polk Ave (PID 33-84601-01-020) by All Energy Solar. Paul moved to accept the application. Carl seconded; motion passed unanimously.
10. Carl moved to approve building permits RT2020-00052, RT2020-00055 to RT2020-00060, RT2020-00062, RT2020-00063, RT2020-00066, RT2020-00067, RT2020-00069, and RT2020-00071. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
11. Carl moved to approve septic permit RT2020-00061. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
12. Carl moved to approve payroll #7752 to 7761. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
13. Carl moved to approve claims #2008 and 7762 to 7771. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
14. Comments from the floor: none
15. Brian called for a short recess at 7:58 p.m. to sign checks and miscellaneous documents. Brian called the meeting back to order at 8:02 p.m.
16. Troy Gilchrist sent a letter to Paul Penrose in regards to his shooting wall at 15667 180<sup>th</sup> St E (PID 33-25501-01-070) on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Dakota County Sheriff's office copied in. Will send a 2<sup>nd</sup> letter next month if it is still up. Need to inform MNSPECT of this matter.
17. MNSPECT is going to contact resident at 16105 Ravenna Trail (PID 33-00600-03-040) about his accessory building not meeting road setback one more time. If no compliance, they will turn over to township/attorney.
18. The unfinished house at 20798 Polk Ave (PID 33-02900-52-12) has had no movement towards a certificate of occupancy. Send follow up letter for written plan of action.
19. New Business: none
20. Caroline reviewed the communications in & out. Dakota County Township Officer's Meeting is Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Paul will attend in person; others will join via zoom.

21. Al Singer, Dakota County Land Conservation Manager, provided some information prior to the Officer's Meeting in regards to 2020 Land Conservation Plan.
22. Joint Meeting is September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
23. Rural Area Tire Collection is Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at the Dakota County Extension Office. Information posted on website.
24. Dakota County Commissioner Mike Slavik joined the meeting. He advised that the Cares Act Coronavirus Relief Fund money goes back to the state if a township does not request funds. There is an option to transfer the funds to the County if a township does not need or use all of their funds. After discussion, Brian moved to start the process of allocating our portion of the Cares Act money to Dakota County. Paul seconded; motion passed unanimously.
25. Comments from the floor: none.
26. Brian adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Spurgeon  
Ravenna Township Clerk/Treasurer