

# **CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING**

## **AUGUST 9, 2021**

**PRESENT:** BOARD SUPERVISORS: DALE B. ANDERSON CHAIRMAN  
JIM FRIDSTROM & JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (CONSTITUTES A QUORUM)  
TREASURER: CAROL WILLIAMS KAHRING  
CLERK: DARRELL VOSIKA  
ROAD MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: ROB ANDERSON (EMPLOYEE)

**LOCATION:** CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP HALL LOCATED IN THE ISANTI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUILDING (33525 1<sup>ST</sup> ST. NE, CAMBRIDGE).

1. CHAIRMAN DALE B. ANDERSON CALLED THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00PM.
2. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS RECITED.
3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA  
**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.**  
**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE.**  
**M = OFFICER MAKING THE MOTION**  
**S = OFFICER SECONDING THE MOTION**
4. APPROVAL OF THE **MINUTES** OF THE **JULY 12, 2021, MONTHLY** BOARD MEETING.  
**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE JULY 12, 2021, MINUTES AS WRITTEN.**  
**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE**
5. **FINANCIAL REPORTS** WERE PREPARED BY CAROL WILLIAMS KAHRING, TOWNSHIP TREASURER AND DARRELL VOSIKA, TOWNSHIP CLERK.
  - A. MISC. INCOME:

i) ISANTI CO. TREASURER: 2021 1 <sup>ST</sup> HALF SETTLEMENT	\$ 220,859.96
ii) DUST CONTROL (PRIVATE PAY) – J. ERLANDSON SR.	\$ 207.00
iii) DUST CONTROL (PRIVATE PAY) – D. LEAF	\$ 236.00
iv) DUST CONTROL (PRIVATE PAY) – R. LINDGREN	\$ 254.00
v) DUST CONTROL (PRIVATE PAY) – R. VAVRA	\$ 381.00
vi) DUST CONTROL (PRIVATE PAY) – M. HOCKERT	\$ 413.00
vii) DUST CONTROL (PRIVATE PAY) – GRANDY-NINE GOLF & CAMP	\$ 604.00
viii) STATE OF MN – TOWNSHIP AID	\$ 519.00
<u>TRANSFER:</u> FROM ESCROW FUND TO R&B FUND (7 <sup>th</sup> ST DUST CONTROL)	\$ 446.00
  - B. THE FOLLOWING FINANCIAL REPORTS:
    - CLERK’S REPORT:
      - i) BANK ACCOUNTS REPORT AS OF JULY 31, 2021
      - ii) INTEREST & DIVIDEND REPORT (JULY 2021)
    - TREASURER’S REPORTS:
      - i) REPORTS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ONCE THE TREASURER CAN MEET WITH A MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION OF TOWNSHIP’S CTAS TRAINER TO SOLVE THE CTAS COMPUTER PROGRAM GLITCH.

C. THE TOWNSHIP RECEIVED REPORTS FROM FIRST BANK & TRUST SHOWING A COLLATERAL INSURANCE AMOUNT GREATER THAN THE UNINSURED SAVINGS DATED 7/30/2021. THEY CHECK THE DEPOSIT BALANCES EVERY BUSINESS DAY AT 2PM CST AND MAKE PLEDGE CHANGES ACCORDINGLY AT THAT TIME.

D. **REMINDER: CD'S COMING DUE IN JULY WERE RENEWED:**

**MINNCO 7/16/2021 – 7/16/2022: INTEREST RATE: 0.400%**

**CAMBRIDGE STATE BANK 7/23/2021 – 7/23/2022: INTEREST RATE: 0.2%**

E. FINANCIAL REPORTS

**MOTION: TO APPROVE REPORTS AS PRESENTED AT THE AUGUST 9, 2021, MONTHLY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING.**

**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE**

6. SCHEDULED BUSINESS:

A. **DON HANSEN** – SURVEYOR, CAME BEFORE THE BOARD REGARDING NEW HOPE

CHURCH'S DESIRE TO SELL 2 LOTS THAT BORDER 331<sup>ST</sup> AVE NE. HE PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH A COPY OF NEW HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH'S PRELIMINARY PLAT (THAT PART OF GOVERNMENT LOT ONE (1) OF SECTION THIRTY-FIVE (35), TOWNSHIP THIRTY-SIX (36), RANGE TWENTY-THREE (23), TO REVIEW. AFTER REVIEWING THE PLAT, THE TOWNSHIP HAD NO ISSUES REGARDING THE PLAT'S RELATIONSHIP TO TOWNSHIP ROADS AND DOES NOT SEEM TO HAVE ANY IMPACT ON CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP'S DAILY OPERATIONS. THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS MADE:

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**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE**

THE CLERK WILL SEND TRINA BERGLOFF, ISANTI COUNTY ZONING ADMIN, A MEMO STATING THAT THE TOWNSHIP HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE PRELIMINARY PLAT.

B. **MERLE AND LAURA MAUER** – CAME BEFORE THE BOARD TO PRESENT A COPY OF THEIR

MAUER ACRES PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR REVIEW. AFTER REVIEWING THE PLAT, THE TOWNSHIP HAS NO ISSUES REGARDING THE PLAT'S RELATIONSHIP TO TOWNSHIP ROADS AND DOES NOT SEEM TO HAVE ANY IMPACT ON CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP'S DAILY OPERATIONS. THE FOLLOWING MOTION WAS MADE:

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**M/S: JOHN ERLANDSON SR./ JIM FRIDSTROM (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE**

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C. **FANNY LAKE ROAD & DOCK CONCERN – BACKGROUND REVIEW:** AT THE JULY 12, 2021, MONTHLY BOARD MEETING JOE WITTRICK, TOWNSHIP RESIDENT, BROUGHT A CONCERN BEFORE THE BOARD REGARDING A DOCK THAT HAS BEEN PLACED IN

FANNY LAKE OFF OF A 25' WIDE TRACK OF LAND THAT IS TOWNSHIP OWNED (TOWNSHIP ROAD). THE TRACK OF LAND RUNS FROM FANNY LAKE ROAD DOWN TO THE SHORE OF FANNY LAKE. THE BOARD FELT THAT BEFORE ANY ACTION WAS DIRECTED, A COPY OF THE PLAT NEEDS TO BE REVIEWED AND THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY NEEDED TO BE CONSULTED ON THE SITUATION. THERE IS A LIABILITY ISSUE REGARDING THE DOCK THAT IS OF TOWNSHIP CONCERN. ANY ACTION BY THE BOARD WAS TABLED UNTIL A COPY OF THE PLAT WAS OBTAINED AND A CHANCE FOR THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO REVIEW THE SITUATION.

**AUGUST 9, 2021, MONTHLY MEETING** WAS ATTENDED BY RAY SPERL, OWNER OF THE DOCK IN QUESTION. RAY PRESENTED A DOCUMENT ENTITLED HISTORY OF THE DOCK AND THE LANE WITH THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THAT HE HAD WRITTEN. AFTER A BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH RAY ON THE HISTORY, THE BOARD CHAIRMAN DIRECTED THE BOARD TO REVIEW THE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY THAT ADDRESSED A DOCK THAT HAS BEEN SITUATED ON A TOWNSHIP ROAD AT ITS TERMINUS WITH LAKE FANNIE. THE PURPOSE OF THE ATTORNEY CORRESPONDENCE WAS TO PROVIDE LEGAL ADVICE TO THE TOWNSHIP OF CAMBRIDGE.

ATTORNEY'S CONCLUSION:

THE TOWNSHIP HAS THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY TO ORDER THE REMOVAL OF THE DOCK THAT WAS PLACED ON THE PARCEL BY A PRIVATE PARTY. HOWEVER, IT SHOULD ARTICULATE POLICY REASONS FOR DOING SO THAT SUPPORT ITS SUPERIOR RIGHTS TO THE LAND. THIS COULD INCLUDE, BUT IS IN NO WAY LIMITED TO, ITS DESIRE TO PRESERVE SAFETY, PROMOTE UNFETTERED ACCESS TO THE LAKE, MAINTAIN REASONABLE CONTROL OF THE MEANS OF ACCESS, AND PREVENTING DETERIORATION OF VEGETATION.

*THE TOWNSHIP SHOULD ALSO CONSIDER ITS LEGAL LIABILITY WHILE THE DOCK IS PRESENT. WITH ONLY A FEW EXCEPTIONS, IT ENJOYS IMMUNITY FROM CLAIMS OF INJURY OCCURRING ON OR IN RELATION TO THE TOWN ROAD IT REMAINS UNIMPROVED. THE PLACEMENT OF THE DOCK ON THAT PARCEL MEANS THE LAND IS "IMPROVED," WHICH MAY ELIMINATE THAT IMMUNITY.*

HAVING REVIEWED THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY'S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING A SAFETY ISSUE AND THE ISSUE OF IMMUNITY FROM CLAIMS OF INJURY, THE BOARD TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTION:

**MOTION: THAT THE DOCK IN QUESTION SITUATED ON TOWNSHIP ROAD AT ITS TERMINUS WITH LAKE FANNIE BE REMOVED WITHIN 10DAYS (PRIOR TO 1/20/2021).**

**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE** THE TOWN ROAD BETWEEN FANNIE LAKE ROAD AND FANNIE LAKE SHALL REMAIN OPEN FOR ACCESS TO THE LAKE BY THE PUBLIC UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THE BOARD DECIDES TO CLOSE SUCH ROAD TO THE PUBLIC.

7. NEW BUSINESS AT PUBLIC REQUEST:

- A. **GOPHER BOUNTY:** 28 PAIRS FRONT FEET @ \$2.00/GOPHER = \$56.00  
CARL BEAUPRE  
33446 SKOGMAN LAKE RD NE  
CAMBRIDGE, MN 55008
- B. **SUE MORRIS** – ISANTI COUNTY COMMISSIONER, CAME BEFORE THE BOARD FOR A

BREIF UPDATE ON THE FOLLOWING: 1) BROADBAND PROGRESS  
2) ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS (ADU)

8. ROAD BUSINESS

A. ROB'S REPORT:

- i) **HIGHWAY 95 DETOUR WEST OF CAMBRIDGE** – ROB HAS TALKED TO THE STATE OF MN HIGHWAY DEPT. ABOUT THE ADDED TRAFFIC THAT POLK ST NORTH OFF OF COUNTY ROAD 6 HAS EXPERIENCED. THE TOWNSHIP IS TO KEEP THE STATE INFORMED ON THE CONDITION OF THE TOWNSHIP ROAD. PAST EXPERIENCE HAS THE STATE REIMBURSING THE TOWNSHIP FOR ADDED ROAD MAINTENANCE AS A RESULT OF A STATE DETOUR. ROB STATED THAT THERE IS AN INCREASE IN TRAFFIC BUT NOT AS GREAT AS HE FIGURED AT THIS TIME.
- ii) **CHEMICAL SPRAYING FOR NOXIOUS WEEDS ON THE ROAD ROW** – CENTRAL APPLICATORS HAS COMPLETED THE SPRAYING. THEY PROVIDED THE TOWNSHIP WITH A MAP OF THE AREAS THEY SPRAYED AND WHERE THEY FOUND CONCENTRATED AREAS OF CERTAIN NOXIOUS WEEDS.  
SPRAYING BILL = \$5,188.51
- iii) **SEWER PIPE UNDER LAVERN RD** – A SEWER PIPE UNDER LAVERN RD NE COLLAPSED AND HAS BEEN REPLACED: 33688 LAVERN RD NE  
PARCEL #030400050  
THE CENTURYLINK COMMUNICATION LINE WAS CUT DURING THE REPLACEMENT (A GOPHER ONE MARKING ERROR). ROB AND THE CLERK MET WITH THE CENTURYLINK REPRESENTATIVE TO DISCUSS WHERE THE NEW LINE WILL BE PLACED IN THE TOWNSHIP ROW. ROB SAID THAT THE COMPANY THAT IS DOING THE PATCHING WILL CALL THE TOWNSHIP WHEN THEY ARE GOING TO DO THE WORK.
- iv) **343<sup>RD</sup> AVE NE** – THE TOWNSHIP IS RE-EVALUATING A FUTURE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT FROM (OLD) MAIN ST. TO XYLITE ST NE. TODD SCHWAB, CAMBRIDGE CITY UTILITIES DIRECTOR, MAY BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2021, TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROJECT.
- v) **TOWNSHIP ROADS** – ROB REPORTED THAT BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF RAIN, MANY OF THE TOWNSHIP GRAVEL ROADS ARE DISPLAYING A WASH BOARD TEXTURE. THE ROADS ARE BECOMING A CHALLENGE AS A RESULT OF THE DRYNESS.
- vi) **373<sup>RD</sup> AVE NE** – ROB REPORTED WORKING ON THE SLOPES. THEY HAULED IN 52 TRUCK LOADS OF DIRT TO RECONSTRUCT THE SLOPES, DW DID THE EXCAVATING WORK AND THE TOWNSHIP DID THE SEEDING.
- vii) **ASPHALT REPAIR** – ROB WORKED ON THE DEEPER CRACKS (CUPPING) ON THE FOLLOWING ROADS: HILLARY CIRCLE  
AIRPORT ROAD  
GOPHERVILLE  
HE USED TACK OIL AND ROCKS FOR THE ASPHALT REPAIR – RESULTS LOOK GOOD
- viii) **GOPHERVILLE** – FAHRNER COMPLETED THE GSB-FRICTION SEAL ON THE ASPHALT STREETS IN GOPHERVILLE (QUOTE = \$27,219.70)
- ix) **WIND DAMAGE** – ON FRIDAY 7/23/2021 ROB HAD TO REMOVE A NUMBER OF DOWNED TREES ON TOWNSHIP ROADS.
- x) **GRAVELLING** – IS COMPLETE
- xi) **331<sup>ST</sup> AVE ADDRESS CHANGES** – ROB HAD BEEN NOTIFIED BY THE COUNTY THAT



USED; HOWEVER, ANY INTEREST EARNED ON THE FUNDS CAN BE USED IN THE TOWNSHIP GENERAL FUND. THE FUNDS THEMSELVES CANNOT BE USED FOR R&B EXPENSES, BUT THE INTEREST CAN.

ARPA REPLACEMENT OF LOST REVENUE (4.1%)

THE CLERK CHECKED WITH THE MAT ATTORNEY REGARDING IF A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT ARPA FUNDS IS REQUIRED – NO THE BOARD WAS OKAY WITH THE CLERK’S REQUEST FOR A SEPARATE SAVINGS ACCOUNT.

DALE SUGGESTED THAT THE CLERK CHECK WITH CLYDE AT FIRST BANK AND TRUST TO SEE IF THE TOWNSHIP COULD GET A BETTER RATE OF INTEREST THEN GENERAL CHECKING.

C. NOTICE: **COURTI & RUPPE, P.L.L.P. 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TOWNSHIP LEGAL SEMINAR**  
CHECK NOTICE FOR VARIOUS DATES

D. **ELECTIONS: TOWNSHIP HALL & POLLING PLACE CHANGE**

NEW LOCATION: CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP HALL  
THE ISANTI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY BUILDING  
33525 FLANDERS ST. NE.  
CAMBRIDGE, MN 55008

**RESOLUTION #21-09: RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ANNUAL POLLING PLACE M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE**

THE CLERK WILL SEND A COPY OF THE RESOLUTION TO THE ISANTI COUNTY AUDITOR’S OFFICE ALONG WITH A REQUEST TO HAVE THE AUDITOR’S OFFICE NOTIFY ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICES OF THE TOWN HALL ADDRESS CHANGE (eg. ASSESSOR’S OFFICE REGARDING PROPERTY TAX STATEMENTS).

E. **TOWN AID CERTIFICATION UPDATE – 2022 AID AMOUNT = \$1,525**

F. **LIST OF FORFEITED LAND TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA IN CAMBRIDGE TWP.**

THE TOWNSHIP RECEIVED A NOTICE ON PARCEL #03.015.0800 BEING FORFEITED TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA FOR NON-PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES. THE TOWNSHIP HAS NO INTEREST IN GOVERNMENT ACQUISITION OF THE PARCEL.

#### 11. MAILINGS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. LAKES AND PINES COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC. BOARD & EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER (JULY 2021)

#### 12. OFFICERS BUSINESS

A. CLERK: i) REPORTED ON THE QUARTERLY ISANTI CO. TOWNSHIP OFFICERS ASSOCIATION MEETING – JULY 26, 2021  
PROVIDED A LIST OF 2021 CO. HWY PROJECTS FOR 2021  
ii) MOVING FROM TOWNHALL (STORAGE ITEMS) BY 9/30/2021  
DALE WILL ARRANGE A TIME

B. TREASURER: NOTHING

C. SUPERVISORS: NOTHING

- 13. REPORT OF **ISANTI COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION – JIM**  
 TWO ON THE AUGUST 12, 2021, AGENDA: ISANT CO. AG SOCIETY  
 JAMES BIRD & MATTHEW WINTERS – POLK ST
  
- 14. REPORT OF **ISANTI COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT – JIM**  
 TWO ON THE AUGUST 12, 2021, AGENDA: RICKY PETERSON – GRANDY  
 DONALD & VICKY FUNFAR – MARMON ST.
  
- 15. REPORT OF **NORTH TH 65 CORRIDOR COALITION – JOHN – NEXT MEETING: 8/26/2021**
  
- 16. NOTICES:
  - AUGUST 10, 2021 – GRAND OPENING FOR CENTRAL GREEN PARK  
 PICKLEBALL COURTS 6:00 – 7:30PM**
  - AUGUST 12, 2021 – DISTRICT 7 DIRECTOR MEETING (HYBRID: VIA ZOOM)  
 SILVER CREAK HALL, WRIGHT COUNTY**
  - SEPTEMBER 9, 10 & 11 – 2021 EDUCATION CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL  
 MEETING – TO BE HELD VIRTUALLY  
 SEE MINNESOTA TOWNSHIP INSIDER FOR MORE AGENDA  
 INFORMATION**
  - SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 – NEXT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**
  
- 17. OTHER BUSINESS: NONE
  
- 18. MOTION MADE TO PAY THE BILLS AS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT ON JULY 12, 2021.  
**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO APPROVE**
  
- 19. MOTION MADE TO ADJOURN AT 9:20PM.  
**M/S: JIM FRIDSTROM / JOHN ERLANDSON SR. (VOTE: 3-0) TO ADJOURN**

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**DARRELL VOSIKA  
 CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP CLERK**

