

MINUTES  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 18, 2020

Present: Terry Hill, Bill Gerard, Ruth Janke, Tony Compo (remote), Jason Paulson, Rhonda Peleski,  
David Pritchett

Chairperson Hill called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Board Room at the Town Hall.

Gerard made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous regular meeting. Second by Janke. Motion carried with 5 yeas.

Pay application #1 from KGM for the Hillside Road paving project was presented. A motion was made by Paulson with a second by Janke to approve the pay application in the amount of \$ 95,761.38. Motion carried with 5 yeas. A core sample will be taken for testing.

Gerard made a motion to approve the current vouchers in the amount of \$ 227,238.79 (Check #'s 45345 – 45380) to pay payroll and due bills and electronic payments in the amount of \$ 7,773.31. Second by Paulson. Motion carried with 5 yeas.

May receipts in the amount of \$ 45,253.28 and May fund balances were reviewed.

A card was received from Terri Lennartson regarding her recent attendance at the Board of Appeal and Equalization.

An email was received from Julius Salinas regarding law enforcement practices. This will be shared with Carlton County officials and Deputy Lucas.

A cost update was given on the Northridge Park parking lot improvements. The road crew will be able to do the gravel work and put in the new entrance off of Ridge Road and Belmar Lane. That work will be done this summer with the paving done in 2021. Town engineer Joe Jurewicz will arrange for a survey. A motion was made by Janke with a second by Gerard to continue with the project. Motion carried with 5 yeas.

Peleski presented a COVID-19 Preparedness Plan. State guidelines require that the Town have a plan in place by June 29, 2020. A motion was made by Janke with a second by Paulson to approve the plan pending legal review. Motion carried with 5 yeas.

Gerard has been taking down trees at Northridge park in preparation of the parking lot improvements and new entrance.

Jurewicz gave updates on projects that he is working on. Sewer cleaning and televising will be done in July. The Hillside Road paving project is almost complete. The Keanu Lane stormwater pond will be done by the end of next week. The MS4 annual report is almost ready for submittal.

Jurewicz also announced that he is leaving MSA. Scott Martin from MSA was also in attendance to introduce himself and assure the Board that MSA will continue to be able to serve the Town's engineering needs.

Jurewicz was thanked for his commitment to Thomson Township and his years of providing engineer services to the Town.

Zoning Official Dan Stangle was present via telephone with his report. He's been working on zoning violations as well as reviewing site plans for new homes and accessory buildings.

Peleski reported on federal CARES money that Minnesota has received. A bill which would distribute money to county and local municipalities has been approved by the State Senate but is still in the State House.

Paulson reported that the remaining candidate for the CAFD chief position has withdrawn his application so the search continues.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:05 pm by Gerard with a second by Paulson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rhonda Peleski, Clerk/Treasurer  
Town of Thomson

Terry Hill, Chairperson