Regular Meeting Sunrise Township
Thursday, August 15, 2024
Royal Wilcox Community Center

Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson called the Regular Sunrise Township Board Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members Present:

Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson, Chair	Clerk: Wendy S. Kowalke
Mark Osland, Vice Chair	Treasurer: Karen Anderson
Jeske Noordergraaf	Engineer: Cristina Mlejnek, P.E
Greg Strom	Maintenance: Troy Montague
Adam Grobove III	Dave Kadlec

Others Present:

Eric Leivian	Peggy Pearson	William Lloyd
Tavis Walgren	Jim Blood	Kalee Blood

Approve Agenda: Motion by Mark Osland, second by Adam Grobove III to approve the agenda adding Windstream under New Business. Motion carried.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Greg Strom, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to accept the July 2024 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk Update: State Primary Elections complete.

Treasurer Report: Motion by Mark Osland, second by Adam Grobove III to approve Treasurer Anderson's report with claims list 7437 through 7469 with additional claim:

Wyatt Smuder (117 pair of gopher feet at $4.00 per pair).....$468.00
Motion carried.

Jeske Nordergraaf asked about the Interest for the SSD. We pay interest 2 times a year.
Karen will send out the total amount that was spent on the new town hall as requested by the Town Board. Treasurer Anderson requested Greg Strom provide her with recent expenditures.
As of today Greg Strom reported that Sunrise is about $7,880 under budget

Joseph Winberg - Preliminary Plat – Subdivision to make Lot 1 and 2: Greg Strom said that Chisago County allows access to a parcel through an easement if the property is 20 acres or more. Mr. Winberg will access lot 2 off Keystone Avenue. The plat is only the 10 acres. The 66 foot easement will become part of lot 2 so it doesn't landlock the 30 acres.

Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Adam Grobove III to accept the recommendation of the Sunrise Township Planning Commission to approve Mr. Joseph Winberg's Preliminary Plat of Winberg Addition with no conditions but with the understanding that the orphan strip that is to the east and part of parcel number 09.00078.00 will be combined with Lot 1 of the new plat and the westerly portion of said orphan strip will be combined with the remainder 30 acre parcel. Motion carried

Becky Meyer (absent) / William Lloyd – Amendment to CUP / IUP: Motion by Adam Grobove III, second by Mark Osland to accept the Sunrise Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the amendment to the IUP as presented. Motion carried.

Jim and Kalee Blood – Variance Home addition and Garage: Jim said they had to withdraw the previous application because of the distance to the bluff. Jim and Kalee Blood had the bluff was surveyed down to inches. Jim and Kalee Blood are adding a main floor bedroom and bath along with a garage.

Motion by Mark Osland, second by Adam Grobove III to accept the Sunrise Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the Blood Variance as presented. Motion carried

Windstream: Jeske Noordergraaf would like Windstream to attend a Township Board meeting to discuss their whole project and for the ROW's being requested. Jeske Noordergraaf questioned charging of infrastructure. Some roads that are included are: Kost Trail, Locke Ave., Vibo Trail, 375th. Jeske Noordergraaf will follow-up with Windstream to get the scope of the project.

Citizens Forum: NONE.

Almelund Threshers – Royal Wilcox Community Center: Purchase Agreement was signed by Sunrise Township Town Board Members Jeske Noordergraaf, Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson and Clerk Wendy Kowalke and Almelund Thresher representatives. Place on September agenda for an update. There will be a flyer posted for fund raising opportunity.

New Sunrise Website: Clerk Kowalke reported the new web-site is ready to launch. Motion by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson, second by Jeske Noordergraaf to go live. Motion carried. Place part-time maintenance contacts on the web-site. Windstream Internet – place on website as pending.

New Sunrise Township Logo: No action.

New Town Hall located off CR 9: Greg Strom reported

Next steps: To insulate inside of building. Well scheduled to be drilled Monday, August 21.
Then Dry wall and painting. The following are quotes that were received for hanging, taping, priming and painting drywall:

Quality Dave Drywall (Stacy) – hang and tape, no paint: $10,900.00
Bosca Drywall (Chisago City) – hang and tape, no paint: $24,734.00
A&K Construction (North Branch) – hang, tape, prime, paint and stain: $34,802.00
Darrel Shermer, LLC (Pine City)- hang, tape and paint – Sunrise to supply paint: $16,375.00
TF Drywall, Plaster & Paint (Taylors Falls) – hang, tap, prime and paint – will cover floor: $16,144.00

Motion by Greg Strom, second by Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson to accept Taylors Falls Drywall $16,144.00 with payment. Motion Carried.

New Town Hall signage and flag pole: Greg Strom would like to have a sign off CR 9 and on the building. Flag pole is in discussion. New building wording is being discussed.

Park Committee: Adam Grobove III has a lead and a meeting set for funding opportunities. Park Committee, Tavis Walgren. Adam is grateful to have 12 adults and 32 kids providing input on what they would be good ideas for Sunrise Township. Playground, walking trail, kayak landing, mini zip line, mini climbing wall, bathrooms, handicapped accessible benches are some ideas.

IIJA Grants Technical Assistance Application: No action taken – remove from agenda.

National Night Out: Clerk Kowalke reported there were 107 adults, 32 Girls, 28 boys in attendance at the National Night Out. Once a new logo for Sunrise Township is approved new t-shirts will be ordered.

Maintenance Update: Grader inspection was completed and passed. The old warranty is done. New extended power train and hydraulics. Extended warranties are available: 3 years / 1500 hours is $5,773.00 or 5 year warranty with 2,500 is $10,304. The current grader currently has 1,900 hours. It is a 2018. Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Mark Osland to set the warranty for 5 years. Motion carried.

Cristina Mlejnek will look at Vibo Trail to get a perspective on why the gravel is not holding.

Troy Montague will talk with Ziegler Cat about pricing of a new grader. Sunrise Township is looking at a new truck in 2025. Treasurer Karen Anderson to start budgeting for grader.
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Board Member Meetings:
Adam: regular meeting, Joe Tarte-County Park Dir, Commissioner's mtg,
Greg: regular meeting, Planning Commission
Jeske: regular meeting, Almelund Contract Signing
Pete: regular meeting, Almelund Contract Signing
Mark: regular meeting

Motion by Jeske Noordergraaf, second by Mark Osland to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Motion carried.

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Signed: Wendy S. Kowalke, Clerk Carl Peter "Pete" Johnson, Chair