

**LAGRAND TOWNSHIP  
TOWNBOARD MEETING  
APRIL 4, 2016**

The Meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM, Monday, April 4, 2016 by Chairperson, Gerhard Thoennes. MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Bromley, Gerhard Thoennes, Supervisors. Paulynn Terhark, Treasurer, Kelly Beilke, Clerk. Taylor Gillespie, Gordon Schmidt, Maintenance. Absent: Steve Schmidt, supervisor

Pledge of Allegiance was called.

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 21, 2016 TOWNBOARD MEETING AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 23, 2016 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 1, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING TO VIEW TOWNSHIP ROADS AND ZONING VIEWING AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED FOR THE APRIL 4, 2016 TOWNBOARD MEETING AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE TREASURERS REPORT AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED 2-0.

**MEETING DATES:**

APRIL 11, 2016/8:00 PM/Public Hearing Rd Improvements Cardinal Lane/Alexandria City Hall

APRIL 12, 2016/6:05 PM/Planning & Zoning Meeting/Douglas County Courthouse.

APRIL 18, 2016/4:30 PM/LaGrand Town Board Meeting/ LaGrand Town Hall.

APRIL 21, 2016/9:00 AM/Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting/LaGrand Town Hall.

MAY 2, 2016/4:30 PM/LaGrand Town board Meeting/LaGrand Town Hall.

MAY 16, 2016/4:30 PM/LaGrand Town board Meeting/LaGrand Town Hall.

**PLANNING & ZONING:**

4/5/16 2 PM: DRT Meeting regarding Steffens-Justice Concept Lost Lake Lodge.

4/12/16 6:05 PM: Hearing on the application of Dennis & Rebecca Lundblad for a variance to allow a planned unit development with 35.6% impervious surface coverage on part of SE Most pt of NE4NW4 lying S of I-94;E'ly pt of SE4NW4: W2W2NE4 lying S of I-94 Ex S'ly pt; E2W2NE4

lying S of MDOT R/W; & E2NE4 lying SW'ly of MDOT /R/W Ex E'ly 1.79 Ac. Section 28 (LaGrand Township) Zoning Rural Residential.

4/12/16 6:35 PM: Hearing on the Preliminary Plat of I-94 Storage on part of SE Most pt of NE4NW4 lying S of I-94; E'ly pt of SE4NW4: W2W2NE4 lying S of I-94 Ex S'ly pt; E2W2NE4 lying S of MDOT R/W; & E2NE4 lying SW'ly of MDOT /R/W Ex E'ly 1.79 Ac. Section 28 (LaGrand Township) Zoning Rural Residential. Owner: Dennis & Rebecca Lundblad and Subdivider: Lundblad Brothers.

4/12/16 6:40 PM: Hearing on the application of Dennis & Rebecca Lundblad for a conditional use permit to allow commercial planned unit development on part of SE Most pt of NE4NW4 lying S of I-94; E'ly pt of SE4NW4: W2W2NE4 lying S of I-94 Ex S'ly pt; E2W2NE4 lying S of MDOT R/W; & E2NE4 lying SW'ly of MDOT /R/W Ex E'ly 1.79 Ac. Section 28 (LaGrand Township) Zoning Rural Residential.

4/12/16 6:40 PM: Hearing on the application of Dennis and Rebecca Lundblad for a conditional use permit to allow an existing aggregate mining operation and an existing concrete and bituminous storage/recycling facility and to allow an expansion of an aggregate mining operation on part of SE Most pt of NE4NW4 lying S of I-94; E'ly pt of SE4NW4; W2W2NE4 lying S of I-94 Ex S'ly pt; E2W2NE4 lying S of MDOT R/W; & E2NE4 lying SW'ly of MDOT R/W Ex E'ly 1.79 Ac. AND part of S'ly 13.27 Ac Tract being a part of the SE4NW4 & W2SW4NE4 lying 1314.15' on cl of Magnuson Road Ex E 52.06'. W line of said Tract is 459.53' & E line of said tract is 459.29'. Section 28 (LaGrand Township) Zoning Rural Residential.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Received Gambling Permit Application from Minnesota Sheriffs' Association. MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE MINNESOTA LAWFUL GAMBLING LG220 APPLICATION FOR EXEMPT PERMIT FROM THE MINNESOTA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION TO SELL RAFFLE TICKETS AT ARROWWOOD RESORT ON DECEMBER 13, 2016 AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

Received the 2015 Franchise Fee Tax from Charter Communications \$41,180.07.

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE NET PAY ACCOUNT DISTRIBUTION REPORT AND CLAIMS LIST # 22952 - 22970 FOR APPROVAL AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0

**CITIZENS CONCERNS:**

Clerk received call from Andy Akenson, 1307 S. Darling Drive regarding concerns with speed on the road. Mr. Akenson asked if a speed study could be done to reduce the speed and placement of speed bumps and stop signs to slow the traffic down.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Dean Birkeland from CarlsonHighland presented the 2015 Township Audit Report.

Board discussed placing more calcium chloride on Englund towards the apple orchard and also placing a stop sign at the intersection of Englund and Magnuson Rd.

Gravel Quotes tabled to next meeting.

Received quote from Bio-Builders & Ground Control regarding the 2 application spring and fall for weed control/fertilizer at Tabberts Park, LaGrand Town Hall, Westwood Dr SW Lot.

Bio-Builders: for \$898.20 an application.

Ground Control: for \$1098.00 an application

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM BIOBUILDERS FOR THE 2 APPLICATIONS OF WEED CONTROL/FERTILIZER AT TABBERTS PARK, LAGRAND TOWN HALL, WESTWOOD DRIVE FOR \$898.20/APPLICATION AS PRESENTED FOR 2016. ALSO INCLUDE LATOKA BEACH AND THE PUBLIC ACCESS AREA. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0

Received January/February 2016 Delinquent tax settlement from Douglas County Auditor/Treasurer \$3687.48.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Clerk stated joint public hearing for the Cardinal Lane Road Improvement is Monday, April 11, 2016 at 8:00 pm at the Alexandria City Hall. Mike Weber sent out notices to all residents and publication will be in paper on Friday, April 1, 2016 & April 8, 2016.

Clerk gave update on the Lodging Tax with information from attorney Julie Haseman. Townboard discussed moving forward and Steve Schmidt, Supervisor sent e-mail supporting moving forward with the lodging tax and calling for a special meeting. MOTION BY BROMLEY TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING TO CONSIDER THE IMPOSITION OF A LODGING TAX OF UP TO THREE PERCENT ON THE GROSS RECEIPTS FROM THE FURNISHING FOR CONSIDERATION OF LODGING AT A HOTEL, MOTEL, ROOMING HOUSE, TOURIST COURT OR RESORT WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP, OTHER THAN THE RENTING OR LEASING OF IT FOR A CONTINUOUS PERIOD OF 30 DAYS OR MORE, PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 469.190 AND TO CONSIDER LIMITING SUCH IMPOSITION OF A LODGING TAX TO LICENSED BUSINESSES OF THE NATURE LISTED ABOVE. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED 2-0.

MOTION BY BROMLEY FOR SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY APRIL 19, 2016 AT 6 PM AT THE LAGRAND TOWNHALL, 501 TOWNHALL ROAD. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

#### **REPORTS:**

ALASD/SERVICE REGION BOARD: No report.

LAKES AREA RECREATION BOARD: Bromley reported.

LAEDA: No report.

FLOOD BOARD: No report.

**MAINTENANCE REPORT:**

Been repairing sod and blading township roads.

Working on quotes for seal-coating township roads.

Equipment maintenance

Spring cleaning in shop

Trimmed trees and picked up garbage in parks.

Maintenance is purchasing patch wagon from Douglas County for \$500.

Gillespie talked to Nelson Ford and the 1 ton GMC should be ready sometime in May.

MOTION BY BROMLEY THAT ONLY ONE MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL NEEDS TO ATTEND THE TOWNBOARD MEETINGS ON THE FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 4:30 PM. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

MOTION BY BROMLEY TO ADJOURN TOWNBOARD MEETING AT 5:24 PM. SECONDED BY THOENNES. MOTION CARRIED AND APPROVED. 2-0.

Clerk,

Kelly A. Beilke

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Chairperson