

Lansing Township Board Minutes

April 20, 2021

Lansing Town Hall

Members Present: Duane Mortensen, Gary Braaten, Lynn Allas, Mark Ratigan, Steve Torgerson, Kris Allas.  
Others Present: William Stegemann, Attorney Marty Helle, Annette Wytaske, Jeff Baldus, Steve Basset

Chairman Mortensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Lynn Allas explained the tech equipment that is almost ready to do a zoom meeting, and use it, thanks to the Cares Act money given to the Township November 2020.

Mark Ratigan made the motion to approve the Agenda, Gary Braaten seconded. Motion passed.

Liquor License: Annette Wytaske of Chateau Raceway presented her request for Seasonal On-Sale intoxicating liquor license for May 1 – October 31, 2021. Gary Braaten made the motion to have the fee of \$100 for the Seasonal On-Sale intoxicating liquor license, Steve Torgerson seconded. Motion passed. Mark Ratigan made the motion to approve the Resolution, Steve Torgerson seconded.

Roll Call:

Mark Ratigan – yes

Gary Braaten – yes

Duane Mortensen – yes

Steve Torgerson – yes

Lynn Allas - yes

Liquor License: Gary Braaten made the motion to have the fee of \$20.00 (prorated for the 2 months) for Meadow Green's Wine License with strong beer and an On/Off Sale 3.2 beer, Lynn Allas seconded. Motion passed. Lynn Allas made the motion to approve the Resolution for Meadow Greens the granting of a Wine License with strong beer and an On/Off Sale 3.2 beer for the period of May 1 – June 30, 2021, Mark Ratigan seconded.

Roll Call:

Mark Ratigan – yes

Gary Braaten – yes

Duane Mortensen – yes

Steve Torgerson – yes

Lynn Allas - yes

Annette Wytaske volunteered to take both of the Resolutions to Scott Felten, Mower County Auditor tomorrow.

Worlein Property/Austin Area Foundation: Attorney Marty Helle spoke to the Board regarding a Petition of another way into the property by way of imminent domain by right of easement, and an appraisal for a private cartway. There is \$2,459.79 leftover in the initial escrow, reported by Treasurer Diana Witt. Lynn Allas made the motion to approve the RESOLUTION #2021-4-20A RESOLUTION TERMINATING CARTWAY PROCESS, Gary Braaten seconded.

Roll Call:

Mark Ratigan – yes

Gary Braaten – yes

Duane Mortensen – yes

Steve Torgerson – yes

Lynn Allas - yes

Lynn Allas made the motion to invoice Austin Area Foundation \$15,000.00 for escrow, Gary Braaten seconded.

Motion passed.

Lynn Allas made the motion to approve the RESOLUTION #2021-4-20B RESOLUTION REQUIRING CARTWAY PETITIONERS TO FILE SECURITY, Steve Torgerson seconded.

Roll Call:

Mark Ratigan – yes

Gary Braaten – yes

Duane Mortensen – yes

Steve Torgerson – yes

Lynn Allas - yes

Tim Duren asked to Thank the Board as he was welcomed to our meetings during his run for the First District Commissioner campaign.

Lynn Allas made the motion to approve the Minutes from March 16, 2021, Mark Ratigan seconded. Motion passed.

Gary Braaten made the motion to accept and approve the Treasurer’s Report, Claims and Payroll, Mark Ratigan seconded. Motion passed.

Zoning Report: Watson complaint, Duane Mortensen is waiting on Mower County Angela Lipelt for the report. Tim Bustad has many situations at his property that may need to be checked out in the future.

Water/Sewer Report: none.

**Bids opened at 6:00 pm by Clerk Kristine Allas and Treasurer Diana Witt:**

Bids read by Clerk Kristine Allas:

Road Rock - Class 2 – MN DOT Specs

LR Falk: \$8.40/ton (with insurance CERT)

Paulson Rock: ¾” \$14.45 product & hauling (with insurance CERT)

Hauling:

Olson Grading Hauling \$5.80 LR FALK (with insurance CERT)

LR Falk: \$6.00/ton (with insurance CERT)

Hansen Hauling: \$5.89/ton LR FALK (with insurance CERT)

RDS Trucking: \$6.85/ton (\$1.00 extra for tandom loads) LR FALK (with insurance CERT)

Road Rock – 1 ½”

LR Falk: \$9.40/ton (with insurance CERT)

Paulson Rock: \$14.99 product & hauling (with insurance CERT)

Hauling:

Olson Grading Hauling \$5.80 LR FALK (with insurance CERT)

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Hansen Hauling: \$5.89/ton LR FALK (with insurance CERT)

RDS Trucking: \$6.85/ton (\$1.00 extra for tandem loads) LR FALK (with insurance CERT)

Gravel:

No bids.

Ditch Mowing:

Jakes Custom Mowing \$2,080/year - 2 times (26 miles) (with insurance CERT)

RDS Trucking: \$2,000/year (with insurance CERT)

Ditch Spraying:

Sunshine Enterprises (Robinson) \$3,458.00 20' wide, 40 miles at \$86.45 (with insurance CERT)

Lawn Mowing:

Townhall:

Koehler Yard Service \$40/time (with insurance CERT)

Water Tower:

Koehler Yard Service \$40/time (with insurance CERT)

Sewage Ponds:

Koehler Yard Service \$125.00/time – not to exceed 12 mowings \$1,500. (with insurance CERT)

Calcium Chloride:

No bids.

**Bids Awarded:**

Road Rock - Class 2 – MN DOT Specs

Gary Braaten made the motion to accept the bid from LR Falk: \$8.40/ton with Hauling from Olson Grading \$5.80/ton, Lynn Allas seconded. Motion passed.

Road Rock – 1 ½”

Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept the bid from LR Falk: \$9.40/ton with Hauling from Olson Grading \$5.80/ton, Steve Torgerson seconded. Motion passed.

Gravel: no bids.

Ditch Mowing

Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept the bid from RDS Trucking: \$1,000.00 per mowing – 2 times per year \$2,000/year, Gary Braaten seconded. Motion passed

Ditch Spraying

Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept the bid from Sunshine Enterprises \$3,458.00 - 20' wide, 40 miles at \$86.45, Gary Braaten seconded. Motion passed. Jerry & Sunny Robinson will look at 243<sup>rd</sup> between Ramsey School and “old Star Dust” to give an estimate on spraying trees, at the May meeting.

Lawn Mowing

Mark Ratigan made the motion to accept the bids from Koehler Yard Service for Townhall mowing \$40/time (less in July/August when it is dry); Water Tower mowing \$40/time; Sewage Ponds \$125.00/time – not to exceed 12 mowings and \$1,500.00, Gary Braaten seconded. Motion passed..

#### Calcium Chloride

No bids but Gary Braaten had talked to them today, and Freeborn County Coop will give it to the Township for \$.93/gallon at ½ rate of application, Gary Braaten seconded. Motion passed.

Website Report: None.

Firecalls: 24248 534<sup>th</sup> Ave, March 14, 2021. Dune Acquisitions (former StarDust), sent us a Tax Exempt form to send back to them, Clerk Allas will wait until beginning of May to see if they pay the fee for the Fire Calls, or will continue the assess to Real Estate Tax process. Fire Call to 24000 Hwy 218 N, Tim Bustad April 7, 2021; Clerk Allas to send invoice for \$1,000 fee.

Lynn Allas made the motion to adjourn at 9:14 pm, Mark Ratigan seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristine M. Allas, Clerk