

6/17/25 Maple Ridge Township Regular Meeting at the Town Hall

The meeting was called to order on Tuesday, June 16th, 2025, by George E. Carlson at 6:00 PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The board members present were George E. Carlson, Robert A. Anderson, Patrick J. Gerold, Sherry L. Kaiserlik and Stacy M. Pearson.

Others in attendance: Fred Swanson, Steve Hass and Barry Wendorf

Business: Motion to adopt agenda George E. Carlson, seconded by Robert A. Anderson. Motion unanimous (3-0).

Motion: to accept the Regular Meeting agenda was made by Robert A Anderson and seconded by Patrick J. Gerold. Motion unanimous (3-0).

Treasurers Report: Savings: \$145,565.86 Checking: \$1,408.06 Total: \$146,973.92 Receipts: \$176.00 Disbursements: \$15,892.39 New Balance: \$ 131,081.53 Checking Balance:\$-14,484.33 Transfer: \$17,000 (Park Fund, \$1,531.65).

Motion: to accept the treasurer's report transferring \$17,000.00 from savings to checking and paying the March disbursements was made by George E. Carlson and seconded by Robert A. Anderson. Motion unanimous (3-0).

Discussion:

Ditch assessment: Special Assessment Hold off payment until townships meet with Isanti County. Table payment Motion by Robert A. Anderson Patrick J. Gerold. Motion unanimous (3-0).

MATT district meeting: August 19th Cambridge Community College

Barry Wendorf: Ditch assessment update and Maple ridge Park Preserve:

- **Ditch Assessment:** Environment service, Drainage 2020 County board looking into 19 county 6 judicial ditch (multiple county) 103E subsections. County commissioners/county drainage authority. Joe Willert was brought on in 2021. 60% ditch 40% for Joe Salary will these continue yes, but it is up to drainage authority.
- Township assessment was the first assessment. Any 40 acre parcel connected to the ditch benefits, ag land that could not be farmed without the ditch. Old original record redetermination of benefits outside identity determines properties that benefit from the ditch. Split among properties \$4 an acre. Date from hiring ditch inspector to 2024 for Ditch 12 5.01 mi and 14 5 mi.
- No previous balance 12/31/23 \$1500 future assessments.
- Flamingo is not a beneficiary for Ditch 12. Property owners are/were invited to meeting if they are affected.
- Now knowingly Isanti County must maintain county roads in Isanti county.
- Barry is here and it will not be charged, commissioners are aware.
- Payments must be made otherwise interest will be charged, yearly not known.
- **Park Preserve:** Removed home and barn, chain up until parking area needs gravel. QR code with park ordinance no dogs no collecting as this is a preserve not a park. Keeping trails clear meant to be natural, mowing prairie land and will burn next year. West side from Flamingo 2 access points 3rd road approach potential parking area still in discussion.
- Creek update: Robert talked Josh at county, and they want us to clean it out put rock and take out sandbar. Need to talk to the landowner(s). Robert will go to the assessor and figure out property lines.
- Street signs: Table until next month.
- Road update due to County Rd 3 and 63 constructions
- Paid leave update: Still working on this
- Plat Information: 4/40 roads needed; Dig up resolution
- Plow 314 feet to ped moving from the south side to north Wayne and Joan Hayes 389th and Lily. Approve permit: Motioned by Patrick J Gerold, seconded by Robert A. Anderson. Motion unanimous (3-0).
- ECE ditch Restoration on north of 393st West side of Jay street: Stacy will contact ECE

- Permit for utilities Lumen

Fred Swanson: Dalbo fire department: Questioning what the money is going for.

- Wells and tanks holds 10,000 gallons are they being used (George, Maple Ridge didn't pay for them).
- Dalbo chief using personal vehicle with kids. Insurance isn't going to pay if there is an accident.
- Budget keeps going up Retention and Recruitment \$16,000 wages who's getting what.
- They don't go to all the calls Dalbo has been late in tractor roll over, Braham also to blame.

Motion to set the next Regular TWP Meeting date for August 6th, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall was made by George E. Carlson and seconded by Patrick J. Gerold. Motion unanimous (3-0).

Motion to adjourn was made by George E. Carlson and seconded by Patrick J. Gerold. Motion unanimous (3-0). Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Stacy M. Pearson-Maple Ridge Township Clerk

Attest: _____ Date: _____ Attest: _____ Date: _____

Stacy Pearson Clerk

George E. Carlson Chair