

COTTON TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 23, 2006

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the township office, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present were, Chair Don Triebwasser, Supervisor Terry Nelson, Supervisor Dennis Olsen, Treasurer Debbie Leppala and Clerk Sandi Nelson. Residents and guests present were Matt & Harriet Kellner, Juli Kuehnow, Scott & Vicki Schneider, LaVerne Leuelling, Jim Kneeland, Bridget Chard, Mark Liner, Brett Ballavance.

The clerk read the minutes. Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to accept the minutes of the May 11th town board meeting as read. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Terry Nelson motioned, supported by Dennis Olsen to suspend the agenda. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED. Will hear from Schneider's and Kellner's.

Scott Schneider discussed the extension of the Moberg Road that is not maintained. St. Louis Cty. Planning Dept. needs a letter from the town board stating Schneider's own 325 feet of frontage on Moberg Road, a township road, and that the road was not vacated just listed as not maintained. Schneider requested the requirements, of the town board, to bring the 300 feet of road up to specification such as the width of the road, putting in a turnaround for county plow, fire equipment, school bus etc. The towns policy has been to follow St. Louis Minimum County Road Standards and a copy was given to Schneider. Triebwasser suggests that the road be brought up to a specification the board determines and once that is done the town could take over maintenance of that stretch of Moberg Road. The township attorney states that Schneider's should sign an agreement to pay 100% and waive any appeal rights. Terry Nelson motioned, supported by Dennis Olsen to send a letter to Tim Riley, St. Louis County Planning, communicating that this section of Moberg Road #5782 was not vacated just listed as not maintained and Schneider's own frontage on this road. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED. Clerk will call Tim Riley, St. Louis Cty. Planning, to inform him that the road is not vacated and is a public road and will follow up with a letter. Schneider's left the meeting.

Kellner's discussed the cartway petition presented by Chris Magney. Concerns include the town receiving the certified funds from Magney, attorneys getting together to discuss concern of the petition, and information concerning case law that Andresen was to send to MacArthur. Suggestion from the township attorney was discussed. Terry Nelson motioned, supported by Dennis Olsen to authorize Andrew MacArthur to send a letter establishing a reasonable deadline for deposit. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED. Kellner's Kuehnow, and Kneeland left the meeting.

Discussed the Cotton Proper Subordinate Service District (CPSSD). Bridget Chard, CPSSD coordinator, Mark Liner, NAWA, and Brett Ballavance, MPCA, LaVerne Leuelling, surveyor, discussed the service district design plans, collection, permit applications, variances, surveys, funding, certificate of indebtedness, billing, closing on the property, waivers, recommendations, and work for the town board. Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Terry Nelson that now that the road survey is completed to accept the road petition for a road to run along the northern edge of the 5 acres in the SE1/4 of the NW1/4 and Government Lot 3, Section 10, Township 54 North, Range 17

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West. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED. Don Triebwasser motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to set a public hearing for the road petition, to run along the northern edge of the 5 acres in the SE1/4 of the NW1/4 and Government Lot 3, Section 10, Township 54 North, Range 17 West, for June 27, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cotton Community Center. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED. Chard would like to get together with the advisory group, possibly poll the group for a good time in July. Bridget taking a copy of information from Rels Title to give to Andy MacArthur.

Regular order of business was resumed.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Well: Will put in a new well cap and change pitless adapter. Petersen Well Drilling will be giving an estimate for the project and look into if line would be run to new well in park area.

Community Center: Leppala is calling Grover's for an estimate to remove trees. Lanyk Electric is tabled until more information is received. Leppala checked into insurance and the board may want to increase amount for contents in building. Leppala will check with MATIT and get back to board.

Roads: Have clerk write to Univar USA Inc. and add W. Rose Lake Road for dust control. Gravel placed on Pioneer Road, Tantu Road, and working on Cemetery Road. Clerk called Rodda to grade the roads that gravel was placed.

Don Triebwasser motioned supported by Terry Nelson to approve to send invoices and CD of pictures to Ed Fick, DNR, Water, in the sum of \$69,423.07 for FDR grant. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED. Copy to be sent to Bob Rodda.

Meetings: Township Officers has changed starting time to 7:00 p.m. The Juusula variance application was approved but the fee was not waived as the town board requested. Mary McKay did inform the group that the county is working on having the lot of record be buildable. LaVerne Leuelling discussed possible rezoning in Cotton area to the 'Urban Designation of the St. Louis River Management Plan.

Gravel pit to be Saturdays, open 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Gravel pit attendant needed. Will post for attendant in the Cotton Chronicle.

Don Triebwasser motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to purchase a \$23,000 CD for 6 months from the Fire Truck Fund at American Bank. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Dennis Olsen motioned, supported by Terry Nelson to purchase a \$25,000 CD for 6 months from the Non-Levy Revenue Fund at American Bank. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

As there was no further business, Don Triebwasser motioned, supported by Dennis Olsen that the

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meeting be adjourned at 10:55 p.m. Terry Nelson aye. Dennis Olsen aye. Don Triebwasser aye. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Town Clerk

Approved:

Town Chair

Date