

ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
ZONING + GENERAL BOARD MEETING, January 8, 2018
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The Roland Township ZONING BOARD was called to order at 7:00 p.m. January 8, 2018, in the Quilt Inn meeting room by Board Chairman Vern Jacobson with Supervisors Michael Sivertson, John Warberg and Mike Hall in attendance, also Clerk-Treasurer Glenore Gross. Adam Norling and Zoning Administrator Tim Kihle were absent. Four visitors attended: Steve Selfors, Scott Wagar/Courant, Mike Manston/Mirror, Atty Mike McIntee.

Minutes: December 11 minutes were approved as written.

Treasurers Report was presented, with balances of CDs \$155,261.85, Savings \$152,185.72 + \$100,032.88 in a new Starion Bank Account, Checking \$42,975.13, and request to pay bills of \$4,620.53 as submitted. Clerk suggested making transfers from General Fund to supplement Zoning Fund, Cabin Roads Fund and Rural Roads Fund (renamed to specify gravel roads plus Lake Road). *MOTION by John W to approve the Financial report, bills to pay and adjustment of fund balances, 2nd by Michael S. CARRIED.*

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Tim Kihle reported to Clerk he has a few pre-permits on hold; nothing to be addressed now.

OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS:

1. **Proposal for Commercial Condominium Storage Buildings - Josh Kringen + Ken Herslip/Twin Oaks Lots 41-42-43:** Notice of Appeal was filed in Northeast Judicial District Court by Appellants Herslip Homes, LLC, and Kringen Properties, LLC, vs Roland Township and Roland Township Board of Supervisors. They are requesting the Court to reverse the board's decision and order the township to issue the permits. Clerk provided copies of information and correspondence to Atty Peter Hankla as requested.
2. **Road Clearance 10' per County - Ads Continue:** Board agreed to continue publishing the ads.
3. **Plat Approval Response to J Harris - Adjacent to Lot 1 Birchwood Hgts 2nd Subdivision:** Letter sent by mail and e-mail; no response received to date.

NEW ZONING BUSINESS:

1. **Plat Approval Request for D Thompson & L Dahlberg - Outlot 7 and Lot 1 in Section 25:** John said he and Mike H checked the plats provided by Wold Engineering related to road realignment and found them correct but two more are needed; the original surveyor retired and was replaced and the notes were apparently not shared.
2. **Report of Fence Torn Down and Camper Parked 3' from Garage - Robert Riffey/Lake Met Park:** Vern heard from owner who had not been onsite all summer then recently came and found the steel post and rope fence torn down with an unknown camper parked alongside the garage. Vern will follow up with the sheriff's office to determine the camper's owner, and send out a letter.
3. **Discuss Possible Change in Pay Options for Zoning:** With zoning income at less than zoning costs, Clerk questioned if pay should be determined in a different way to more closely match income. Board discussed the need to keep a qualified person on board, and that not all time spent results in permits with fees; also suggested that activity could rise again. *MOTION by John W to maintain the current pay level for another year; 2nd by Michael S. CARRIED.*

COMMITTEE REPORT: Joint Committee with Rec Service District for Discussion of Amendment to RV Ordinance: Committee has not yet met.

GENERAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:20 pm.

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OLD (Unfinished) GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Lake Metigoshe Cabin Road Paving Project** - A few concerned Metigoshe residents will meet with the County Commissioners in the morning to seek County assistance toward the still-desired paving project. Vern said the project would need to be changed if it were to be resubmitted; he and Mike would suggest taking out the road portions not paved. Wold Eng was concerned that bids couldn't go out until about May; however with the County having overlay scheduled on Lake Loop Road by Bechtold Paving, it could still be possible to work. Vern will email Clerk a report of the meeting to share with the board.
2. **Rugby Pt Roadway Forest Service Land Clearing:** No word when the State Forest Service would be clearing trees. Mike H reported two trees in imminent danger of coming down. *MOTION by Mike H to contact Hoffman to take down these two trees, 2nd by John W, CARRIED.* Vern will make the call to Hoffman.
3. **Mower Purchase/Update:** Vern signed the Purchase Agreement with John Deere; they will service the tractor and hook up the mower, probably about March.
4. **Road Issue Updates:**
 - Mike H reported there has been plenty of salt applied on roads, also sand; Jerry Sivertson has been doing some snow clearing. The new county blade man appears to be working OK.

NEW GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. **Preliminary Discussion on Roadway Vacation Squaw Pt Area - Atty Mike McIntee:** McIntee shared a plat map showing road as drawn but not as in use; owner of Lots 31-32 (Tollefson) would like to clear up the discrepancy prior to building a garage on the right of way as drawn. Tollefson discussed this with his neighbors but they are not willing to join the road closure process. McIntee said he would prepare the petition with five signatures, post it in three places, then the board will set a hearing for closure.
2. **March Board Meeting Date:** ND Century Code sets a March meeting as the 2nd Tuesday, prior to the Annual Meeting the 3rd Tuesday. Board agreed to continue using the 2nd Monday for the March meeting.

➤ **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Social No-Host Gathering at Birchwood Monday, January 15, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.
Glenore Gross, Clerk/Treasurer