

**ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES**  
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The Roland Township ZONING BOARD was called to order by Board Chairman Vern Jacobson at 7:00 p.m. February 15, 2022, in the Quilt Inn Meeting Room, with Supervisors Mike Hall, John Warberg, Michael Sivertson and David Thompson, along with Clerk Glenore Gross. Zoning Administrator Tim Kihle was absent. Six visitors attended.

**Minutes:** January 10 Board minutes were approved as written.

**Treasurers Report** was presented, with Cash/Fund balance of \$508,216.53 and request to pay bills of \$25,868.89. Security First balance is \$33,692.86, next bond payment is due May 1. *MOTION by John W to approve the Treasurers report as presented and approve bill payments, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David T. VOTE: 5 YES = CARRIED.*

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

In Tim's absence, John W presented a permit for an 8x14 addition to the residence attached to Four Seasons store; all setbacks are more than adequate. Permit fee will be collected.

**OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **(Seek Bids in Spring for Roadside Vegetation Removal Issue – N Lake Pk Rd)**

**NEW ZONING BUSINESS:**

1. **Request for Road Variance for Garage at 22' – Chris Halley/Westergard:** After last month's discussion of the proposed garage, some board members looked over the site but with no stakes visible for where the garage would be they were not able to determine if it would work. Item was tabled.
2. **Plan for Attached Boathouse to be Raised with Cabin – Kevin Allard for Farstad/Westergard:** Board approved a plan in November but Allard was told the boathouse was too deteriorated to move it up as proposed. He brought up several potential alternatives to add square footage to the small cabin to see what might be acceptable, one possibility being to construct a water-oriented storage shed near the shoreline to replace the boathouse. No conclusion was settled on for future remodeling ideas.
3. **Possible Change for RV Conditional Use Permits (LMRSD Policies Being Reviewed):** Clerk reported on meetings with an LMRSD committee for editing their policies and ordinance; it will not result in any new focus for handling RV CUPs in time for the upcoming season. Board said to proceed with renewals the same as last year.

**GENERAL MEETING called to order at 7:20 p.m.**

**OLD (Unfinished) GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **Application for Liquor License for Potential New Owner - Dockside:** Clerk received application from Loren Gladue and Trace Azure, which County already has on file as "Contingent on Sale." Board approved township application, clerk will add same note and forward to the auditor.
2. **Road Issue Updates:**
  - **Cabin Roads – Snow Clearing:** Current issue is clear snow one day, wind blows it back the next.
  - **Rural Roads-** Need to do more ridging; plows are out every day; no room for more snow!
3. **(Publishing of Road Weight Limits – to continue every 2<sup>nd</sup> week until further notice.)**
4. **Seek Bids in Spring – Chip Seal/Minot Beach:** Mike H has spoken with Ritch Gimbel, Co Rd Supt, about this and other areas which may need to be added to the bid.

**NEW GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. **(Addressed earlier in the meeting for presenter's behalf) Petition for Road Vacation to Set Public Hearing – Patrick Bair for Reichenberger/Lake Metigoshe Park-Olsons Addn:** In preparation for potential sale of the parcel which includes a portion of a platted but unused road as well as a portion of a platted public access lot, Bair has been working with the process to clear up the

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history and treat both as road vacation, as had been done with the adjacent property in 1996. The lot and roadway were deeded to and have been owned by Reichenberger since 1998, along with their adjacent lot in Olsons Addn. Bair presented a petition for vacation signed by six property owners, with the requirement for posting dispensed with, per NDCC 24-07-11. After discussion, and some disagreement with the board's ability to vacate a public access lot, *MOTION by David T to schedule a Public Hearing for the requested road vacation at 6:55 p.m. prior to the next scheduled board meeting March 7, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John W. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.* Public Hearing notice will be sent to the Courant. Bair was told his attendance would not be necessary.

2. **Request for Consideration of Name Change of Squaw Point – Travis Henry/"Enrolled Member":** Clerk received email requesting consideration for a name change due to it being "offensive and derogatory". This board would not be the entity to pursue a name change, does not know the procedure to change the name and suggested the name be left as is.
3. **Added – Preparation for Roland Township Equalization for 2022 – Addie Berg, Assessor:** Clerk provided a letter from the assessor stating that the township is currently within state tolerance levels for valuations so no general change is being requested. Increases or decreases will occur solely from changes resulting from property owner initiatives and/or omissions and/or errors. *MOTION by Mike H to accept the Assessor report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David T. VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.* Equalization meeting is scheduled April 27.
4. **Proposed Budget Request/Levy:** Clerk shared proposed 2023 levy request with little to no change from the previous year, other than increased income due to the ND legislature giving extra road funds to townships. This reduced the levy request to \$180,450, down from \$193,850 for 2022. *MOTION by David T to approve the proposed 2023 Levy Request at \$180,450, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John W, VOTE – 5 YES = CARRIED.*
5. **Audit Committee for March Meeting Report:** Vern J and David T will arrange to meet at the Clerk's house to go over reports in preparation for the Audit Meeting March 7.

**REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- County Township Officers Meeting 2/6; David, Vern and Glenore attended; county township officers new constitution accepted, new board includes Ken Rogers, Craig Johnson, David T.
- Replacement copies of ND Century Code with 2021 legislative changes, provided by NDIRF.
- NOTE – NDCC includes information pages on preliminary work for a Comprehensive Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.  
Glenore Gross, Clerk/Treasurer