

ROLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
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The Roland Township ZONING BOARD was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Quilt Inn meeting room by Vice Chairman Richard Gross, with Supervisors Dwane Getzlaff, John Fulsebakke and Vern Jacobson (arrived at 8 p.m.), Zoning Administrator Terry Volk and Clerk/Treasurer Glenore Gross in attendance. Bob Kornkven was absent due to travel out of state. Six visitors signed in.

MINUTES of the September 8 meeting were approved as presented. TREASURERS REPORT was accepted as presented, with approval to pay bills as noted.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

1. Issued four new building permits with no variances since last meeting.
2. Variance requested for Dave Humphries/No. Lake Park - deck to be 40' from shoreline, in line with deck on adjacent property; *MOTION by Dwane to approve, 2nd by John, CARRIED.*

OLD (Unfinished) ZONING BUSINESS

1. Tabled Requests:
 - a) Houmann/Westergard: Variance for deck at 36' to shoreline, signatures still not obtained; drop request for now.
 - b) Benson/Minot Beach: Question on setback for garage; Terry said 19' was not a problem.
 - c) Hinzpeter/Squaw Pt: Permit for garage was issued; Dwane said docks were in process of being taken out.
 - d) Rintala/Squaw Pt: Variance to extend deck – still waiting for signatures.
2. Construction Without a Permit/Abernathy-Westergard: Atty Butz communicated twice with Atty Maxson on adjusted deadline (copies of letters on file); foundation was removed last week. Dwane reported receiving an email from Abernathy which said Mikkelsen would fill the hole by the 15th if weather cooperates. Board agreed shed could stay if moved to proper setbacks. Richard will check for completion on the 16th.
3. Brenda Jo Carlson/Oakshore – Rocks complaint- Richard reported Brian Johnson said he would move rocks as his schedule allows.

NEW ZONING BUSINESS None

GENERAL MEETING was convened at 7:48 p.m. by Vice Chairman Richard Gross with attendance as above.

GENERAL OLD (Unfinished) BUSINESS

1. New Addressing & Signage-Update: Westergard is assigned, notices to be sent.
2. Minot Beach Replat Project-Update: No new word.
3. Chip/Seal of Cabin Roads/Repairs This Year-Update: No meeting with Terry/County Road Supt took place; will postpone until spring. David Bernstein suggested we push the county to do the full project for nothing, in consideration of taxes received from the township.
4. Aspen Ave Road Paving-Update: Brad/Wold's suggested waiting until spring.
5. State Equalization Meeting Follow-up: Addie Berg reported on the September meeting, saying Bob gave a good presentation that shows the increase the township has taken since 2002 (providing 7% of county's budget) to currently estimated 22% of county budget, from an area totaling less than 1/2% of county land. Committee appeared to agree there was a

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problem but the vote was to follow current law and increase valuations to about 82% of market value this year and mandate 100% valuations next year. Addie fielded questions from the board and visitors. Township could be lumped in with the county rather than being separated out, as done in other counties and at some point in the past was also done in Roland Township; Vern suggested there may be a move for an initiative like California's Proposition 13; Danny Biberdorf said he brought statistics from the Mirror's article to the County Commissioners meeting but they showed little interest, other than proposing to hire another employee to run trucks.

6. Mowing of Cabin Roads: Did not get done; Dwane suggested we lease a tractor and mower next year and do it ourselves.
7. Gravel Needs on Township Roads: Richard shared map with bad areas marked; Board agreed would not be good to add gravel this late in the season, except where road is down to black mud; Danny Biberdorf will check roads this week, he had been busy elsewhere most of the summer.
8. Dean Hafner/Hahns Bay Condo Seawall-Update: No sketch submitted to Terry yet.
9. McCloskey/Rugby Pt-Junk on Neighboring Lots: No response from First District Health on request for legal follow-up; Clerk will phone for update; Dwane reported some cleanup has been done.

GENERAL NEW BUSINESS

1. Meet October 28 – Schedule as Candidate Night? After discussion on the value of hearing from candidates prior to election, Jason Nordmark offered to have the *Mirror* sponsor a Candidates Forum, preferably Monday, October 27. He will make contacts to see if it will work for candidates and arrange for Jerry's meeting room at 7 pm. This will be in lieu of the fall general meeting; next Board meeting will be November 10.

REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

> none

With no further business the board adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
Glenore Gross, Clerk/Treasurer