

MINUTES  
CARLOS TOWN BOARD  
September 9, 2010

The regular meeting of the Carlos Town Board was held at the Carlos Elementary School with Dwayne Waldorf, Ted Steidl, Rod Meyers, Dean Yohnke and Rebecca Anderson along with township engineer Jeff Stabnow. Chairman Waldorf called the meeting to order with all reciting the pledge of allegiance. Guest attending were Linda Doefler and Bruce Nelson.

The board introduced themselves to the guests in attendance.

Rod Meyers moved to accept the minutes of August 26, 2010 as printed. Ted Steidl seconded the motion and it carried.

Bruce Nelson with ALASD addressed the board to an issue that has been in the making for quite a while. Lake Winona is approximately 4 feet deep and has been the lake ALASD has been discharging in. In 2002 the lake was placed on the Impaired Water Body list. A study is continuing to be done by the MPCA. This agency came up with a preliminary draft to reduce the levels of phosphorus to 52 parts per billion. This is extremely a strong number as ALASD has the capability to reduce to 200 parts per billion. There are no models for shallow lakes, only large lakes. ALASD looked at the cost if they could even meet the 52 parts per billion. It is estimated that it would cost anywhere from 20-50 million dollars with a variety of ways to accomplish this goal.

The lake is also full of carp which is a very dirty fish. In order to meet the standard, the lake has to draw down and remove the carp and then let the lake sit over the winter which will then grow grass which will be good for the lake.

An increase for user charges would be \$20.00 per month. There would also be an operational cost increase. There will be a final draft in the next few weeks submitted to the MPCA. In December a public comment period will be held. The permit expires in May. If it is not renewed, ALASD can continue to operate under the old permit. ALASD is hoping to have this resolved by the spring. One year is needed to study the actual implementation and there is also the possibility of legal action against the project. The project would be financed by bonding for 20-30 years.

Linda Doerfler lives in Miliona Township on Lake Miliona. It appears that Wenck Associates has implemented a study for that area for future sewer usage. She wanted to know how the study has been for Carlos Township.

Rebecca had just received information from Nick Haig, with the University of Minnesota and stated they were 90% finished with the study. The board stated to Ms Doerfler the study is conducted with the idea of providing the most economical way of supporting today and future sewage use in our Township. Wenck Associates are not looking for the "big pipe" to be the answer to sewer issues.

Road Issues: RBS was at the meeting and Ted mentioned that he will be visiting with Miliona Township to see if they are interested in doing a road swap for road maintenance for Miliona Bay Road and South Lake Miliona.

RBS still has signs of Carlos Township. Chairman Waldorf will arrange a time to pick them up with Alden Just.

Ted Steidl moved to pay RBS. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

Alden Just had received cost quotes for the corner issue for Carlos Bluffs. With the high cost, the board decided to wait to see if the residents will actually cut the corner.

Alden also looked at the road issue on Three Havens Drive. He spoke with the Dan Zinda who was very friendly and would like the corner fixed. AJ would like to have an onsite meeting with the board and the resident. He spoke with Lakes Area Paving and they are willing to pave it. In the meantime, he will fill the hole with asphalt filings as there is 5 inches of water in the hole.

Ted Steidl moved to pay Alden Just. Rodney Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

He will start blading all roads as there has been little done since the end of July. He also has a 6 foot disc mower. His charge is \$58.00 per hour. The board would like him to mow as far into the ROW as possible.

The board will also look into spraying for thistles and brush in the spring. Alden stated the first spray will not work well first year. It has to be done for up to three years to get thistles under control. If there is any brush hanging in the ROW or in the site of signs, he is to take care of it. He does not need to check with the board.

Jeff Stabnow had prepared a preliminary billing assessment for Carlos Bluffs. This will be discussed and determined at the next meeting. The final assessment hearing for Carlos Bluffs will be held November 1, 2010 at 7PM at the Carlos Elementary School.

Sandhill Lane Update: Curt Nelson is happy with the road. There has been no further input from Jeff Nelson. Jeff Stabnow had prepared a preliminary cost sheet for Sandhill Lane. The board went over the costs for Sandhill lane which has exceeded the feasibility study. Some of the costs are still up for discussion with Mark Lee. The board approved a payment of \$123,000 to Mark Lee.

Zoning: Nothing to report.

Committee Report: ALASD issues were discussed by Bruce Nelson. The ALASD Service Region received a request from a Lake Brophy resort owner who would like to add a RV park to his property. The existing sewer will not support that, and he is looking for a reduction in which the service region is not willing to give.

County Lakes Association meeting: Chairman Waldorf attended that meeting.

Rod Meyers and Dwayne Waldorf attended the District 9 meeting in Ulen, MN. Loren Engebretson was reelected to his position.

Treasurer's Report: Dean Yohnke gave his report. Ted moved to approve the report as presented. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

Chairman Waldorf presented the bills for September. Rod moved to pay the bills as presented and add the payment to Mark Lee. Ted Steidl seconded the motion and it carried. (Bills are on file with the clerk).

No further business, Ted Steidl moved to adjourn. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

  
DWAYNE WALDORF, CHAIRMAN

  
REBECCA ANDERSON, CLERK