

CASTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 13,1998

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Castle Rock Township was convened at the town hall at 7:00 p.m. Present were Alyn Angus, Chair; Norbert Kuhn, Jr., and Gordon Wichterman, Bill Neil, Jim Ozmun, Supervisors; Roger Randall, Treasurer; and Michelle Nicolai, Clerk. Also present were Deputy Jason Linder Dakota County Sheriffs Office, Jim Deegan, Rich Kohls, Jim Reisinger, Paul Irrthum, Tom Kaldunski, Don Wilson, Craig Braun, Gerry Drewry, Shirley Dubbels.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Alyn Angus, Chair, the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Supervisor Kuhn Jr. expressed concern that the advertisement for moving/demolition of old town hall was not put in our posting papers. The ad was only placed in the Golden Nugget. The board postponed the issue until 8:00 p.m. when bids were set to be opened.

A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman , seconded by Bill Neil to approve the September 8, 1998 regular board meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Norbert Kuhn Jr., seconded by Bill Neil to approve the September 9, 1998 Special Ash Street meeting minutes as written. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

Supervisor Kuhn Jr. requested information from Supervisor Ozmun about 4-H having their meetings at the new town hall. Last board meeting Supervisor Ozmun was requested to make up a list of guidelines for them to follow and to contact their leader with the information. The list was made and copies given to 4-H and to the Clerk to post and file. The Clerk also met with contact person Linda Domingues from 4-H and walked her through the building and the security system and locks. The guidelines list is posted inside kitchenette cupboard.

Chairman Angus met with Dakota County Sheriffs Department and walked them through the building. They will be using the conference room to do write ups. They requested to bring in a 2 drawer file cabinet to lock a phone in for their use. The board so no problem with this.

Supervisor Neil was requested to contact Mrs. Mulvihill about trimming her trees in the ditch. They have been trimmed.

Supervisor Kuhn Jr. expressed concerns that the security system only has the ability to hold 6 codes. Supervisor Wichterman uses the same system and his has the ability to hold more. He will talk to ADT to verify this.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Craig Braun 2950-232nd Street Hampton applied for a Conditional Use Permit to move a new house built by Dakota County Technical College 30' x 48' app. cost \$75,000 on to the same 40 acres he resides on for his son Matthew who works for him. A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Jim Ozmun to approve Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried.

Craig Braun 2950-232nd Street Hampton applied for a building permit to add an attached garage onto new house 26' x 28' with a breezeway 20' x 26' app. cost \$15,000. A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Jim Ozmun to approve Building Permit. Motion carried.

Rich Kohls 25729 Biscayne Ave. applied for a Building Permit to build a garage 22' x 28' app. cost \$9,000. A motion was made by Bill Neil, seconded by Gordon Wichterman to approve Building Permit. Motion carried.

Jim Deegan 3435-225th to amend his present Conditional Use Permit as he has bought additional property

on 22445 Chippendale Ave. and he will use this property for extra access to his present property and will use the existing buildings on this property for storage for hardware sales and service, rental of air tools, fasteners and miscellaneous hardware. An amendment is needed so the increased property can be included in the existing conditional use permit. A motion was made by Bill Neil, seconded by Gordon Wichterman to approve amendment to present Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried.

The Clerk was instructed to send a copy of the Zoning Ordinances on signs to Mr. Deegan.

Jim Reisinger JR & S Excavating Hwy 50, Lot #3 came to revisit his application for a Conditional Use Permit and Building Permit. The impervious area on his lot is under question. The building uses 8% and the gravel parking lot uses 30% for a total of 38% of the 2.53 acres. The board will postpone this issue until we get clarification as to whether gravel is considered impervious and to what degree. The other lots in the development were limited to 25% impervious. Supervisor Kuhn Jr. asked about his outside storage. Mr. Reisinger replied that things will be coming and going daily. If something is in disrepair or not used it will be stored inside. During the winter months he will still be working at least 3 days a week.

### **Presentation on Grinder Pumps**

A presentation was made by Tom Kaldunski with a solution for Mr. Don Wilson's property concerning his need for a new septic system. Mr. Kaldunski showed us charts and passed out information packets on the cost effectiveness of the grinder pump. The City of Farmington will need to give permission to discharge into their existing municipal sewer system. Grinder pumps can be purchased at cost from \$700 to \$2,800 depending on the final design. The unit is less expensive if your property can maintain an indoor grinder, about \$300 for the unit. The benefit of the grinder pump is in the restorative maintenance. The life expectancy is about 10 years before any pump seal might go out.

Tom has done preliminary numbers for other residents and with our approval he will approach the City of Farmington. The board agreed this is a definite solution and wished him good luck.

### **Bids for town hall move/demo**

The opening of bids will be postponed until our November 10, 1998 board meeting. The ads will be placed in our posting papers, The Independent, Cannon Falls Beacon and The Golden Nugget.

Deputy Jason Lindner stopped by to sit in our meeting to address any concerns we might have in the township.

Carin Offerman-Troy Freidges received a letter of non-compliance from MPCA inspector Gary Staber. The Clerk was instructed to send a certified letter to both Carin and Troy telling them that their septic must be brought up to code within 10 months and that there is no record of a Conditional Use Permit issued for the rental of an apartment and a request that they show up at the next board meeting on November 10, 1998. A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Jim Ozmun to approve the Clerk to send this letter. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the copy of the Metropolitan Council application for a proposed Comprehensive plan from Mr. Robert Adelman concerning the new location of St. Michael's Church. Supervisor Wichterman was instructed to send a reply to the City of Farmington and carbon copy Linda O'Connor and Carl Shenke of the Metropolitan Council Staff.

The board reviewed a letter concerning General Permit #98-6130 from Dakota Soil and Water Conservation District. The DNR gave Dakota County a general permit for burning after storm damage. Chairman Angus asked Supervisor Neil to study this and report back at our next meeting.

The board received a letter from Gloria Pinke, Assessing services, with concerns of the property located at 4381-280th Street owners Clarence and Audrey Almquist. One of her appraisers recently visited with a renter of the first level apartment a Ms. Gail Brooks who allowed him to inspect the house interior for the appraisal. He viewed numerous bare electrical wires, junction boxes with no cover, wires hanging and other electric defects. Gloria Pinke thought the board might want to be aware of this and to take any actions that we can. The Clerk was instructed to contact the electrical inspector Mike Burgersen 332-1011

from Dakota Electric to see if they handle this, if not call John Murphy.

The board reviewed a letter drafted to Mr. Carl Schenk Sector Representative from the Met Council about our proposed amendment to our pending new Comprehensive Plan due to a plotting error in original plan to correct area from Rural Residential to commercial. Chairman Angus and Supervisor Wichterman attended two meetings with staff and now it goes to the Met Council. They asked for an extension till November 19th, 1998. A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Jim Ozmun to accept a continuation. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Norbert Kuhn Jr., seconded by Jim Ozmun to have Inspector John Murphy meet with Mr. Don Wilson every month. The expense incurred will be the responsibility of Mr. Wilson. Motion carried. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter to Mr. Wilson and Mr. Murphy stating this.

A bid for snow plowing at the town hall was submitted by Daniel Irrthum. Plowing lot and clearing sidewalks and entrances \$45.00 per time. Sidewalks and entrances only \$20.00 per time. A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Norbert Kuhn Jr. to accept bid. Motion carried.

A discussion was had as per final inspection of town hall. Architect William Broderson said he is with holding \$7,000 until final walk through.

Building Inspector Murphy was instructed to send the board a letter concerning the property of Dave Olson. Chairman Angus has not received this letter yet.

Mr. McMurtry attended our last board meeting to obtain a building permit for a deck. The permit was not granted because he had not attended a Planning Commission meeting or seen Inspector Murphy. Rumor has it that he has gone ahead and built this deck without a permit. The Clerk was instructed to send his a letter stating that he must attend the next Planning Commission meeting to address this issue.

A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Bill Neil to agree to the City of Farmington's proposal to have our two existing Engineers work together concerning the feasibility study to develop the Prairie Waterway ponding and system. Motion carried.

The Clerk was instructed to send a letter to the city, Linda O'Connor, Carl Schenke. Supervisor Wichterman will set up the framework for the two engineers and we will contact them for the next community joint meeting.

The board instructed the Clerk to publish:

The Castle Rock Board of Supervisors has decided to increase their meeting dates from one to two meetings per month due to increase in work load. New dates will be the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month effective Tuesday, October 27th, 1998 through the first of the new year

The board was urged to attend the Vermillion River Watershed Organization's meeting on October 28, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dakota County Extension and Conservation Center.

Treasurer's report

A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Norbert Kuhn Jr. to accept the Treasurers report as written. Motion carried. Supervisor Kuhn Jr. will contact Cannon Valley about keep fill for our LP tank.

A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Norbert Kuhn Jr. to approve the claims list. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Norbert Kuhn Jr. to transfer from loan account to checking account for payment of town hall.

A motion was made by Gordon Wichterman, seconded by Norbert Kuhn Jr. to adjourn at 10:00 p.m.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Nicolai  
Clerk

Attest:

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Alyn Angus, Township Chair