

Livonia Township
Special Meeting
April 29, 2010

On Thursday April 29, 2010 the Livonia Board of Supervisors met in a Special Meeting located at 11162 265th Avenue, Livonia Township, Sherburne County, Minnesota.

Those present: Supervisors Doebler, Hass, Hewitt, Sherper, Wallin and Clerk/Treasurer Spencer.

Chairman Sherper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of: Ground Breaking Ceremony, Consider request for variances, Building issues and banking options.

Ground Breaking Ceremony: those in attendance included Town Supervisors, representative from Fire Department and Fire District and Alliance Building Corporation. The Ceremony concluded at 6:15 p.m. at which time the Supervisors met in the Hall for the remainder of the meeting.

Consider request for five variances: At the April Board Meeting, Mike Sohre appeared at Open Forum for consideration of request for five variances. The Board was not prepared to address the issue at that meeting. Due to time constraints to be included on the agenda at the County Variance Board, Mr. Sohre agreed to pay the \$300 fee to request Special Meeting of the Town Board. Mr. Sohre submitted required applications and fees for five variances and the fee for the Special Meeting. The variance requests are as follows and required in order for Mr. Sohre to add a second level to a nonconforming structure:

- 1.) 25ft variance to the centerline of Lake Freemont Drive NW. The required setback from a Township Road is 100 feet from the centerline of the road
- 2.) 5.7ft variance in setback from the north side property line. The required setback to an interior property line 10ft.
- 3.) 6.4ft variance in setback from the south side property line. The required setback to an interior property line 10ft.
- 4.) 38.6ft variance in setback from the Ordinary High Water Level of Lake Fremont. The required setback from Lake Fremont if 75ft.
- 5.) Requesting a variance to Section 14, Subdivision 5.5B that states "impervious surface coverage of lots must not exceed 25% of the lot. According to Seth Monroe of Rum River Land Surveyors, Inc. the impervious surface on this property is 31.5%.

Hewitt/Doebler unanimous to provide favorable recommendation to the County Variance Board for request. All Board Members viewed the property and are in agreement the updates would be an asset to the property and community.

Building issues: Supervisor Hass located a used 15,000 to 20,000 gallon fiberglass tank; will obtain more information including transportation of the tank and contact architect. Hewitt/Wallin unanimous to authorize expenditure of up to \$7,000 for purchase and transportation of the tank provided it meets specifications. Clerk/Treasurer informed Board the building and access permits have been issued for the building; the legacy grant application was delivered to the County earlier in the day.


Banking options: Supervisors Hass and Wallin obtained information regarding products and services offered by Woodlands National Bank, The Bank of Elk River and Bremer Bank during the Fire Board Meeting on April 27th. The Woodlands National Bank will take ownership of the Zimmerman Branch of the First National Bank of Elk River in May. The Woodlands Bank does not provide for pledged securities of funds. The Bremer Bank and The Bank of Elk River offer pledged securities; however The Bank of Elk River offers the best interest rate, as well as availability to obtain a credit card. Hass/Hewitt unanimous to open checking and saving accounts, safe deposit box, and obtain credit card with a \$2,500 limit at the Bank of Elk River. The Bank of Elk River is offering services and products required by the Township, pledged securities of funds in excess of \$250,000 as recommended by the State Auditor and the best interest rate. The checking and savings accounts at the First National Bank will be closed on a timely basis. The certificates of deposit will remain with the Woodlands Bank until maturity.

Hewitt/Doebler unanimous to adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

Dated this 24th day of May 2010



Chair or Vice Chair



Clerk/Treasurer or Deputy Clerk/Treasurer