

**Hay Creek Township**  
**Regular Monthly Minutes**  
**May 9, 2018**

**Board Members Present:** Sue Cushing, Brad Kolberg, Nathan Jaeger, Scott Halverson, and Marilyn Schilling

**Absent:**

**Also Attending:** Grant Ekblad, Bill Mettling, Bonnie Mettling, Tom Gadiant, Teresa Gadiant, Neil Stemann, Tom Bibus, Scott Reed, Sue Reed, Jim Maybach

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Agenda:** The agenda was reviewed. An agenda item to discuss a possible Conditional Use Permit application by Simanski Metals, LCC for a contractor yard was added.

**Public Comment:** Several community members were in attendance to discuss a conditional use permit application for a contractor yard. This topic was added to the agenda.

**Business:**

Simanski Conditional Use Permit Application:

Several neighbors of the Simanski property on Hwy 58 were in attendance to share their concerns that the Simanski's may apply for a conditional use permit (CUP) as a contractor yard. Their prior CUP application for rezoning and CUP for a junk/salvage reclamation yard was recommended for denial and subsequently the Simanski's withdrew their application.

Scott Halverson shared an e-mail he had received from Mike Wozniak at the Goodhue County Land Use office. Mr. Wozniak indicated that Simanski's are planning to apply for a CUP for a contractor's yard. To date, no application has been received by the township.

Mr. Bibus shared his concerns that there are already containers being stored at the site which are out of compliance. He stated that any new application needs to include safety provisions such as erosion control, chemical seepage, water impairment, traffic concerns, screening, etc. Concerns are that over time, this property could become a chemical waste site that the township has to clean up.

Mr. Maybach commented on the short period of time the Planning Advisory Committee had to review the prior application. He requested that any new application be sent to the PAC for review and comment as soon as the township receives the application for acknowledgement signature.

The April 5<sup>th</sup> county planning meeting was discussed.

Neighbors requested that the board and the advisory planning committee send a letter to the county stating the board's position on the application, once it is received and reviewed. The supervisors agreed to send notification, once the application is received, to the citizens present at the meeting.

**Treasurers Report:**

Brad Kolberg presented the April, 2018 treasurer's report including expenses, income and summary funds.

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**Action:** A motion was made by Nate Jaeger, seconded by Scott Halverson, and carried unanimously to accept the treasurer’s report as presented.

**Bills:**

Ekblad Excavating	April, 2018 Road Work	\$ 6,300.25
Postmaster	Annual PO Box Rental	74.00
Jim Maybach	Planning Commission Stipend	330.00
Nancy Taylor	Planning Commission Stipend	270.00
Myron Alms	Planning Commission Stipend	240.00
Doug Lantis	Planning Commission Stipend	210.00
Sarah Blue	Planning Commission Stipend	120.00
David Tincher	Planning Commission Stipend	90.00
Rick Peterson	Planning Commission Stipend	30.00

**Action:** A motion was made by Sue Cushing, seconded by Scott Halverson, and unanimously carried to accept the bills as presented.

Income:

Site Reviews:

- Doug Noreen – storage shed
- Clayton Tix – storage shed
- John Riester – house addition

Cart Lane Quit claim deeds – Wayne Schilling

**Clerks Report:**

The meeting minutes for April 9, 2018 were reviewed.

**Action:** A motion was made by Scott Halverson, seconded by Sue Cushing, and unanimously carried to accept the meeting minutes as presented.

Correspondence: The board members have received notice of a Goodhue County public hearing regarding the county’s plan to turn back Meyer Road to the township. The meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2018, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Hay Creek Town Hall. The county commissioners requested that all board members be present at the meeting.

Scott reviewed the steps the township needs to take, after the county’s turn-back, to then turn Meyer Road over to the Gerald Meyer family. The board authorized the use of Kennedy and Craven for any legal matters concerning this process.

**Planning Commission:** Stipends for the planning commission members meeting attendance were discussed. Brad will pay the stipends to get them caught up and then pay twice per year. Scott’s attendance as board liaison would fall under his quarterly township supervisor salary.

**Action:** A motion was made by Sue Cushing, seconded by Scott Halverson and unanimously carried to pay the stipends to the Planning Commission members as presented.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2018.

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**Road Report:**

Concerns have been raised about road damage on Old Church Road, caused by a reckless driver who lives along the road. Grant monitors and addresses any damage as it occurs. As a homeowner, he and other neighbors have been in contact with Goodhue County Sheriff's Department regarding this issue.

The road review priorities for 2018 were discussed. Tree cutting, ditching, finishing sign installation, and culverts were the order reviewed. This was given to Grant for direction on projects to complete this year.

Goodhue County asked whether the township would like to sealcoat the blacktop portion of Hay Creek Trail this year. The supervisors agreed it would be good to get this completed.

Town hall property maintenance was discussed. The ramp and railings need repair and painting. Brad Kolberg will check with a contractor to get an idea of whether it would be better to repair or replace the ramp and railings. This will be brought to the June meeting for discussion.

**Discussion:**

Broadband Internet: Scott contacted HBC and the company indicated they do not have any interest in expanding broadband internet to Hay Creek Township at this time.

The MAT summer short course early-bird registration will be due prior to the next meeting. Attendance at this short course would be encouraged for the supervisors who need to complete board of appeals training.

**Action:** A motion was made by Sue Cushing, seconded by Scott Halverson, and unanimously approved to authorize payment for attendance at the summer short course by any town board member who wishes to attend.

**Upcoming Meetings**

- June 5, 2018 – Meyer Road Turn-Back Public Hearing
- June 13, 2018 – Board Meeting

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Marilyn Schilling  
Hay Creek Township Clerk