

Eyota Township  
Board Meeting  
January 21, 2020 and Continued January 30, 2020

**Opening**

The regular meeting of the Eyota Township Board was called to order at 7 pm on January 21, 2020 at Eyota Ambulance Barn by D O'Neill. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

**Present**

D O'Neill, J Schumann, B Halvorson, M Lewis

**Absent**

D Kullot

**Guest**

M Fish, D Heintz, C Blevins, J Blevins, M Knowlton, J Peck

**Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes of December 16, 2019 regular board meeting minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved as written.

**Treasurer Report**

Approved and stand as read. 2020 Opening Balances are as follows: General Fund: \$17,798.43, Road and Bridge \$118,136.76, Fire \$87,615.96, Fire Mutual Fund \$72,957.45. Olmsted County Tax payments and Viola Fire Contract payment received.

**Open Issues**

Eyota Township PAC met on January 6, 2020 to review a zoning request change by M Fish. Board members reviewed minutes from this meeting. M Fish presented his building plans. He is waiting for input on well and septic. Currently, he does not have financing. Discussion included, but not limited to, concerns with water runoff, natural gas access, roof height etc. Board members have questions that they feel should be answered before a decision. M Fish requested we send him a list of question. J Schumann moved to continue tonight's meeting to Thursday, January 30, 2020 at 9am at Eyota Ambulance Barn. B Halvorson seconded with all in favor.

J Peck (Eyota Fire Department) and M Knowlton (Clerk, City of Eyota) presented 2021 budget requests. MMUA use by fire department was questioned, and J Peck will follow up with this. J Peck reports compressor has arrived and plan for Fire Department's purchase of equipment such as Fire Tanker and Foam truck. Insurance cards for 2020 given to Mr. Peck. Sections 23 & 24 are reported to be transferred to Elgin Fire. Mr. Peck will follow up on this.

D O'Neill reports roads are in good condition. No update on Frost Boil Olmsted County in Disaster Declaration 4442.

2020 Township Officers Annual Banquet will be Saturday, March 21 at Rochester VFW. B Halvorson motioned to purchase 3-\$25 gift cards from Mills Fleet Farm for door prizes. J Schumann seconded, all in favor. M Lewis will purchase these.

OCTOA meeting January 23, 2020 at 7:30 pm Stewartville Legion. March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting to be hosted by Eyota and Farmington. D O'Neill will follow up.

Additional Field Drives includes placing one in spring for B Hammel. J Schumann to follow up on farmyard clutter.

MATIT 2020 workers comp audit report and Workers Comp premium invoice completed. PERA Exclusion Report completed and mailed. Lobbying form submitted online with no lobbying done for or by Eyota township. Copy of indebtedness reviewed. Census mailing reviewed.

Clerk shared dates for 2020 township meetings and posted. End of year filing and taxes were completed. Building permits reviewed. Election update given.

Motion to pay bills totaling \$42,674.58 made by J Schumann, seconded by B Halvorson, motion passed with all in favor.

### **Suspended Meeting**

Meeting was suspended at 9 pm by D O'Neill. Meeting will continue Thursday, January 30, 2020 at 9 am at Eyota Ambulance Barn. The next general meeting will be at 7 pm on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at Eyota Ambulance Barn with Audit meeting following.

### **Continued Meeting**

Continued meeting was called to order at 9 am on January 30, 2020 at Eyota Ambulance Barn by D O'Neill.

### **Present**

D O'Neill, J Schumann, B Halvorson, M Lewis

### **Absent**

D Kullot

### **Guests**

M Fish, K Fish and family

### **Suspended Meeting Resumed**

D O'Neill and B Halvorson met with Olmsted county. Letter of questions found to relate to conditional use permit and not the zoning requested change. Motion by D O'Neill to approve rezoning as requested. If the planned projects does not come to fruition, the board may petition

to change zoning back to A1 Ag. Seconded by B Halvorson. Open to discussion. Vote called to approve rezoning: In favor D O'Neill and B Halvorson, Abstain by J Schumann. Forms given to M Fish.

January 21<sup>st</sup> and January 30<sup>th</sup> meetings were adjourned at 9:20 am by D O'Neill.

The next general meeting will be at 7 pm on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at Eyota Ambulance Barn with Audit meeting following.

Minutes submitted by M Lewis, Clerk

Approved on February 18, 2020 by Town Board