



Special Town Board Meeting  
For disposition of CRF Funds  
7:30 p.m.  
Monday, November 9, 2020  
12165 Hancock Street

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**Attending**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Chair Brian Kolbinger     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Clerk Lucinda Messman     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Vice Chair Brad Wilkening | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Treasurer Tanya Danielson |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Supervisor Robin Boros    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Deputy Clerk Fran Seeley  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Supervisor Luke Babler    |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Township Supervisor Joe Danielson  |  |

**Absent Members:**

**Attending Staff:** none

**Others Attendees:** none

Tuesday, April 7, 2020 The Becker Town Board passed Resolution 2020-15: A Resolution Establishing the Ability Conduct Open Meetings by Telephone. The Town Board of Becker Township, Sherburne County, Minnesota, will utilize teleconferencing as requested so long as a health pandemic exists or a peacetime emergency is declared under Minn. Stat. Ch. 12. This meeting was held both in person and utilizing a remote system.

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Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm. Clerk took roll call of those in attendance – none attended via zoom. Quorum verified by Chair Kolbinger (left at 7:45 pm and Supervisor Wilkening took over the Chair position).

**COVID/CRF Funding**

1. Fire Department grant discussion –
  - a. Boots rather than their personal shoes are needed – estimate at 10,700. Approved earlier meeting.
  - b. Audiovisual equipment still coming. Fire Chief had covid-19 so things were delayed a few weeks.
  - c. Tables and Chairs needed in 2<sup>nd</sup> room to comply with social distancing guidelines. Board consensus to fill the requirement.
2. General Township Funding
  - a. Moving the filing cabinets to meet social distancing requirements has caused issues with the floor sagging. This needs to be repaired. Board consensus to have two supervisors look into getting this done yet this week.
  - b. Getting dumpster onto Township property is important. Going onto private property each time there is trash is not a good idea, especially in light of covid (private home owners dealing with Covid-19 now). Board consensus to move more quickly on getting dumpster to town hall. Two supervisors to see if we can finish this project yet this week.
  - c. Additional small equipment for office required for remote work and to reduce sharing of materials between workers in building.
  - d. Additional printers required for remote work. COVID-19 is getting worse, anticipating the Governor may shut things down again. Any other equipment needed to work from home? Yes, clerk has list of equipment/supplies.
  - e. Staff would like desks rather than the plastic tables we use for elections for working as this appears to be a much longer term event than originally anticipated.

- f. Plexi-glass divider for front counter is needed.
  - g. Texting and smart phone/cell phone use has increased dramatically during COVID-19. Some board members can only be reached by texting at this time and the new road app requires texting. Some board members are using pay by use plans. No one has Township cell phones – all are personal. Some type of reimbursement is needed so users are not paying the township’s communication bills. \$20 per person per month per phone for the 10 months (March – December) is consensus. Future funding to be discussed at reorganizational meeting.
  - h. Board consensus – order the necessary furniture and equipment for remote work or in building work allowing social distancing to be maintained & in compliance with our COVID-19 Preparedness plan. Do not forget to order appropriate ink/toner so they can print from home as well.
3. Grant Applications funding
- a. 7 grant applications totally \$58,225.11 were submitted. Board consensus to grant all if the proper paperwork has been submitted.

Motion to approve all funding as listed, except Rustic Metalz request, by Boros. Second by Babler. Motion carried, 3-0-1. Supervisor Danielson Abstained as his company had submitted the Joe’s Bobcat grant application.


Motion to approve Rustic Metalz funding request by Boros. Second by Danielson. Motion carried 3-0-1. Supervisor Wilkening abstained as his wife’s company submitted the Rustic Metalz grant application.

Motion by Babler to give at least 2,000 of remaining funds to Sherburne County. Whatever other funds are left should be donated to the Becker Food Shelf. Second by Danielson. Motion carried, all voting in favor.

Board consensus to leave the grant application window open until Friday at 10 am.

Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am will be another special board meeting to review any additional grant applications. Clerk will post yet today.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.



Brian Kolbinger, Chair



Lucinda Messman, Clerk