



**Attending,**

- ❖ Board members: Chair Brian Kolbinger, , Luke Babler, Robin Boros, Joe Danielson, Treasurer Tanya Danielson, Deputy Clerk Fran Seeley, Clerk Lucinda Messman
- ❖ Absent: Vice Chair Brad Wilkening
- ❖ Others: Sgt. Frank – Sherburne County Sheriff’s Department, Wes Davis – Twp. Engineer, Damien Toven – Twp. Attorney, Jacob Sanders – Planner, City of Becker (online), , Mark Kolbinger – *The Patriot*, Phil Knutson – City of Becker
- ❖ Zoom platform was available for anyone who wished to call in virtually.

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Meeting called to order at 7 pm. Quorum verified by Chair Kolbinger.

Pledge of Allegiance

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED**

- Minutes
  - January 2022 Regular Town Board Meeting Minutes
  - Bid Opening Meeting Minutes February 4, 2022
  - Board of Audit Minutes February 23, 2022
- Upcoming electronic fund transfers/automatic payments approval
  - City of Becker – water/sewer
  - Xcel Energy – gas/electric
  - Ace Disposal – Twp maintenance
  - Advanced Disposal –container at Town Hall
  - Midco Business – phone and internet
  - Upcoming EFTS related to payroll: Federal taxes, State taxes and PERA - mandated rates
  - State of MN for building permit surcharge fees
- Correspondence/Information
  - Midco Federal Contractor Letter
  - Centerpoint Public Hearings information
  - Sherburne County Association of Township Minutes January 12, 2022
  - 2021 and 2022 Taxable Market and NTC numbers from Sherburne County
  - 2022 Actual Tax Capacity Values from Sherburne County
  - Central Applicators, Inc.
  - Minnesota Benefit Association product information handouts
  - Danish Cemetery Donation Request
  - Becker Cemetery Donation Request
  - City of Becker – Parks/Rec Donation Request
  - Sherburne County Senate & House of Representatives Districts
- Approvals/Signatures
  - Resolution 2022-05: Resolution to Spend ARPA Funds on Lost Revenue Replacement Category
  - Resolution 2022-06: Resolution to Spend ARPA Funds on Lost Revenue Replacement Category

**Motion to approve consent agenda as listed above by Boros. Second by Danielson. Motion carried all voting in favor.**

**Motion to approve a regular agenda after pulling fire sign quotes, by Danielson. Second by Boros. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**

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### **Sheriff's Report – Sgt. Frank**

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- 197 Calls for service
- 80 Traffic stops
- 7 snowmobile stops
- 13 off the road Accidents – speed related
- Thefts have gone down
- Mental health officer now is responding using his own vehicle, making availability more flexible. Excellent Results. Q: will there be additional mental health officers in the future? A: still in trial phase, it has been a benefit for deputies. Typically at least 5-6 mental health calls per day as people are more open to talking about it these days

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### **Residential Open Forum**

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#### **Dave – Sons of American Legion #193**

- Request for Township to sign noise notice as required by the City. Planning their concert again this year August 13, 2022 from 5-10 pm.
- **Motion to approve chair signing by Babler. Second by Danielson. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**

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### **PLANNING COMMISSION/JOINT PLANNING BOARD UPDATES – Wikstrom**

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- No public hearings this month
- Continuing to work through revising home occupation ordinance
  - Changes coming that loosen some restrictions to help residents
- Xcel CUP coming – moving powerlines from County Road 11 Right-of-way to private property. One condition is that the owners need to be on board with this.

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### **ENGINEER'S REPORT – Davis**

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- February 4<sup>th</sup> we opened bids for four projects. Knife River was apparent low bidder on all items.
  - After reviews, everything was accurate and Knife River was the low bidder on all four.
  - Asking board to award the 82<sup>nd</sup> Street and 164<sup>th</sup> Street Contracts to Knife River this evening.
  - Postpone awarding the 127<sup>th</sup>/153<sup>rd</sup> contract until March 4<sup>th</sup> so time for the City to complete their award and review what they plan for Fossum Fields in case any direct impact.
  - Recommending to withdraw 157<sup>th</sup> due to conflicts with utilities. Letter sent to township board regarding this. In conjunction with Road Supervisors have discussed possible hammerhead turn around until the utility issues are able to be addressed. Until we can pave this, post the road at 5 tons for now.
  - **Motion to approve awarding 82<sup>nd</sup> Street Road Construction project to Knife River by Danielson. Second by Babler. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
  - **Motion to approve awarding 164<sup>th</sup> Ave Road Construction project to Knife River by Boros. Second by Danielson. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
  - **Motion to reject all bids for 157<sup>th</sup> Street by Babler. Second by Danielson. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
- 97<sup>th</sup> Street – all entities will reconvene this summer to get bid ready. Things are moving along.

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## Supervisor Reports

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### Fire Board – Supervisor Babler

- Nothing out of the ordinary – standard meeting.

### Central Mississippi River Regional Planning Partnership – Supervisor Kolbinger and Planner Sanders

- More later

### Roads – Supervisors Boros and Danielson

- Posting Gravel Roads as 5 Ton Roads– Resolution 2022-04 presented to the board.
  - 127<sup>th</sup> street and 153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
  - 157<sup>th</sup> Street
  - Phil Knutson expressed concern with closing 127<sup>th</sup> Street.
    - Developer hopes to move in March to avoid road restrictions
    - Turn lane cannot be required
    - 127<sup>th</sup> is a Collector in the Township and City comprehensive plans
    - City moved off their curb and gutter requirement to get a paved road. Why would the township close it?
  - Supervisor Danielson stated it is still as had been discussed in earlier meetings between Township and City. The current gravel road will not support the truck weights that will be used to haul in material for the new development. The road is not closed, just posted as a 5 ton road. Once the new upgraded and paved road is in place, the 5 ton limit signs can be removed.
  - 153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue has a thicker gravel base and should be ok, though it is still a 5-ton road by state statute during road restrictions.
  - **Motion to approve Resolution 2022-07: A Resolution posting weight restrictions on certain town roads after removing 153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue by Danielson. Second by Boros. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
- GPS – talked with Tony Wruck – should have solution later this week
- Snow policy – add supports to text. **Motion to approve edits to the Becker Township Snow Policy as indicated by Babler. Second by Boros. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
- Resolution to alter Highway 25 Statutory Language. **Motion to approve Resolution 2204: A Resolution Supporting Modifying Route No. 25 Statutory Language by Boros. Second by Danielson. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
- Cost Sharing Agreement – 127<sup>th</sup> Street/153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue
  - Phil Knutson – all looks good as far as city is concerned
  - Boros – as long as it is passed with no changes, Road Supervisors recommend approval. Meeting planned later this week, after City Council action.

### Town Hall

- Clerk looked into Water system and presented a bottled water system option. Supervisors asked about a reverse osmosis system that could be built into plumbing, if possible. Clerk will look into it more.

### Other

- Sherburne County Broadband Proposal – Midco – Still answer of No.
- Score Grant
  - Hold event in conjunction with the City again this year.
- North Metro Animal Control – no longer available in our area. Clerk has Tri-County Contract – go ahead with that one and look for more options.

## Treasurer's Report

- **Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented by Babler. Second by Boros. Motion carried, all voting in favor.**
- Supervisor Danielson abstaining from voting on payment of warrants as his company has presented an invoice.
  - **Motion to approve payment of Warrants 15369-15398 and PO's 1433-1441, in the amount of \$85,491.92 by Boros. Second by Babler. Motion carried 4-0-1, all voting in favor.**
- Deputy Treasurer discussion.
  - Deputy Treasurer will change to Marilyn Danielson. Clerk will have documentation drawn up.
  - Deputy Treasurer to assist Treasurer and Clerk
  - Board set hours and pay. 8-10 hours per week. Deputy pay rate.
- Bank signature cards will need to be changed.

## Other

- Election and Annual Meeting the 8<sup>th</sup>
- April 5<sup>th</sup> is the Board of Appeal and Equalization
- Friday, March 4 at 9 am is special meeting

Meeting Adjourned 7:52 pm.

  
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Brian Kolbinger, Chair

  
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Lucinda Messman, Clerk