

TOWN OF ERIN PRAIRIE  
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

The August 21, 2023 Town of Erin Prairie Monthly Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Van Dyk at 6:00p.m. at the Erin Prairie Town Hall. Present were Board Members John Van Dyk, Dennis Mitchell, and Mike Monteith.

A motion was made by Mike to approve the agenda as presented. Dennis seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote.

Dennis moved to approve the July Meeting Minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mike and passed unanimously.

Available funds in our checking and money market accounts at this time equal \$324,304.65. This does not include \$36,895.67 of ARPA Funds that will be used for Broadband in the Township. It does include the tax settlement we received from the County on August 21 in the amount of \$74,828.47. Dennis moved to approve the treasurer's report. Mike seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The bills were presented and reviewed including County Highway bills, electric bill, dog license payment to the County, and Fire Dept. Expenses. After review and discussion a motion was made by Mike to pay the bills as presented. Dennis seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote.

The Certified Survey Map for Mike and Barb Peterson was presented for review by Joe Granberg. The parcel of land in question is located in the Fractional NW1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 18, T30N, R17W, Town of Erin Prairie. The CSM would create two parcels, Lot 1 will be 3.51 acres and Lot 2 will be 16.23 acres. These parcels are located in the Extra Territorial Zoning area regulated by the City of New Richmond. Because of this the City is requiring a five foot drainage and Utility easement along the north and south lines and ten feet along the east and west lines. After review and discussion Dennis moved to approve the CSM as presented. Mike seconded the motion which passed by affirmative vote.

Joel Allen from the County Highway Department contacted the Board to ask about lime rock to be used on the paving project on 140<sup>th</sup> Ave. The County is not able to get more lime rock from the pit they had been using for their road work but they want to be able to work on the project this week. He asked if it would be ok to use lime rock from Milestone (Gillen's) Quarry? The Board asked Joel if the quality of the rock is good? They do not want a poor grade lime rock to be used for the project. Joel said he talked with Jeremy and Lynn Gillen regarding the quality of the rock. They assured him that the rock meets specifications for use on roads. The Board agreed it would be ok to use the rock from Milestone Quarry if the quality is good.

John mentioned that at the United Fire ambulance and fire meetings he learned they want to increase the assessments for each municipality. The fire division would increase by over 10% and ambulance about 8%.

The Building Ordinance that All-Croix is putting together for us was reviewed and discussed. All-Croix suggested we add "garages, outbuildings, residential accessory buildings and structures" to our ordinance to make sure we cover all structures that need a building permit. The Board agreed the ordinance looked good as written, with just the addition of that wording.

We received a letter from Alicivia indicating that our township will be charged a tank fee of \$125.00 because we did not use enough fuel over the year. We will check with other companies to see how they charge and possibly stop using Alcivia services.

Our September meeting will be held Monday, September 18 beginning at 6:00p.m.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn at 7:20p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Mitchell, Clerk/Treasurer