

## November 19, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Joel, Paul Braun, Tom Martin, Curt Harr, Matt Frisk

### New Business

1. Update on lighting project: Bidding has been selected and giving to Scott's Electric as he indicated he would start immediately and was the lowest bidder. That bid came in at \$188,024 and starts on 11-2-15. The bid was accepted and approved with a unanimous vote.
2. Update of Bookkeeping: Curt investigated the option of hiring out the bookkeeping to Haga and associates. The cost would be about \$70.00 per hour. The previous costs were \$250 per month. This would be out of a Highland park resident's responsibility and thus we can hire and fire as needed.
3. Discussion of speed bump at Bathe/Gross – Request from residents: A speed bump on the curve near the Bathe/Gross house is being requested. There is a stop sign on county 31 as well as a speed bump 60 yards from the proposed speed bump. The board feels that there is not a necessity since the curve is close to a 90 degree turn that traffic has to slow down anyways. Tom to notify Bathe of decision.
4. Statements for 2016 dues from Harr/Martin: A letter will be drafted to indicate an increase the annual assessment to \$1860 for 2016 payable quarterly. We will have Haga mail invoices. It is anticipated that the dues will return to \$360 in 2017, but that is a decision for the new board in 2016.
5. Discussion of Eidness ditch: A letter will be sent to Eidness in regards of keeping the ditch mowed. The association can also mow the ditch for a fee.
6. Board turn over: Two spots will be opening in May.
7. Chris Young request, 1701 64<sup>th</sup> Ave N – Asked to be removed from assessment for 'no benefit': The board did discuss this and in fact, a light will be located within just a few feet of his driveway on the opposite side of County 31 and therefore he will be receiving full benefit of the lighting. Tom to contact Mr. Young and indicate board decision.

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8. Shrubs in ditch at 13<sup>th</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup>

A letter will be sent to Brett Shoes in regards to shrubs planted in the ditch at his location. The ditches are designed to hold water and at times do not have the ability to allow grass to grow. A common problem at this corner in question is that it holds water during flood time and will need to be pumped out. Any other plant growth other than grass could obstruct the pumping. Mr. Shoie did inquire about having a botanist discuss options with the board and that is certainly appreciated and welcomed.

9. Paul trampoline:

It has been noted that the trampoline located at the Paul residence has not been moved after verbal discussion. It is noted that his back yard is not planted as work has been performed there last summer. However, several complaints have been noted and therefore a formal letter will be sent for the resident to move the trampoline into the back yard.

Submitted by Highland Park Secretary: Matt Frisk