

CROOKED LAKE TOWNSHIP RECESSED ANNUAL MEETING OF MARCH 10, 2015

JUNE 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Fire Chief Rolf addressed the large crowd that was in attendance regarding emergency exits and safety concerns.

Bill Korman the elected Moderator from the March 10, 2015 recessed meeting explained that this was an open meeting and anyone wanting to talk needed to come up to the front and speak one at a time. He also explained that this meeting was recessed on March 10, 2015 and items 1-13 on the agenda had already been completed at that time.

In order to open discussion on the budget matter before us the following motion was made.

MOTION MADE AND 2ND THAT THE LEVY FOR NEXT YEAR BE DETERMINED BY A SECRET BALLOT OF THOSE RESIDENTS OF CROOKED LAKE TOWNSHIP WHO ARE PRESENT. THE WORDING ON THE BALLOT TO BE: YES, I WANT THE TOWNSHIP 2016 LEVY TO BE \$428,200 IN ORDER TO PURCHASE THE DRAPER PROPERTY AND EXPAND THE PARK. NO, I WANT THE TOWNSHIP 2016 LEVY TO BE \$380,200 AND NOT PURCHASE THE DRAPER PROPERTY TO EXPAND THE PARK.

Several residents came forward to speak on the pros and cons of purchasing the Draper property for the park expansion.

It was suggested that anyone wanting to speak limit their time to 1 or 2 minutes.

Crooked Lake Township Board Chairman Lloyd Thyen explained how the levy is distributed and what the YES/NO vote means. He also explained that this is not a Town Board initiative. The residents present at the March 10, 2015 meeting made a motion that passed asking the Town Board to look into purchasing the Draper property for park expansion. That meeting was recessed giving the board the opportunity to investigate the options and also allowing more people to be present to vote on this important issue.

The above motion was voted on by a show of hands and the motion carried to use the secret ballot.

The ballots were distributed to eligible voters and counted. The results were YES 47 and NO 133.

MOTION MADE AND 2ND TO ACCEPT THE RESULTS OF THE SECRET BALLOT SETTING THE TOWNSHIP 2016 LEVY AT \$380,200 AND NOT PURCHASE THE DRAPER PROPERTY TO EXPAND THE PARK. Motion carried.

Connie Glass Town Board Supervisor presented information on the costs of having Calcium Chloride applied to all the township roads. Currently CLT has 34 miles of roads and the cost would be approximately \$107,712.00 per year which would require an additional tax levy.

Information was presented regarding future elections. All voting machines will need to be replaced at the expense of local tax payers. The option of using a mail in ballot for future elections was discussed along with the financial savings. This is a decision that the Town Board will need to make. A show of hands from the residents present indicated that they were in favor of the mail in ballot.

MOTION MADE AND 2ND THAT THE 2016 ANNUAL MEETING BE HELD ON THE 2ND TUESDAY OF MARCH, 7:00 PM, AT THE CROOKED LAKE TOWN HALL. Motion carried.

It was noted that it is mandated by the State of Minnesota that the Annual Meeting be conducted on the 2nd Tuesday in March. The Township can set the time and location.

MOTION MADE AND 2ND TO ADJOURN. Motion carried.

Kim Hughes Deputy Clerk