

**MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING
ORONOCO TOWN BOARD
JUNE 18, 2019 4:00 PM**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A Special Meeting of the Oronoco Town Board was called to order on June 18, 2019 by Chair Neil Stolp. Supervisors Neil Stolp and Ken Mergen; Treasurer Kim Stanton and Clerk Lucy Shonyo were present. Supervisor Charlie Lacy was absent.

The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss the Ryan's Bay Road project and maintenance on 12th St. This is a shared road with Oronoco City.

The Joint Powers agreement between Zumbro and Oronoco Townships stipulates that Oronoco Township will be the paying agent for the Ryan's Bay Road project. This means Oronoco Township will pay invoices in full, then seek 50% reimbursement from Zumbro Township (except where the Agreement stipulates otherwise). Township attorney Bob Ruppe has indicated it is appropriate for Oronoco Township to ask for prepayment to ensure that Oronoco Township has needed funds available when invoices are due. This prepayment provision is not in the Joint Agreement and attorney Ruppe says it should be added if Oronoco Township deems prepayment necessary. Zumbro Township has signed the Joint Agreement; Oronoco Township has not pending a decision about asking for prepayment.

The Board instructed Clerk Shonyo to ask Zumbro Township for prepayment of \$100,000, 50% of estimated costs. Oronoco Township will pay interest on the prepayment if requested. [This request was emailed to Mark Fjelstad and Dori Klein on June 19, 2019.]

The land survey is complete. Ken Mergen made a motion to move ahead with the land purchase, placing the closing date on or before July 30, 2019. Neil Stolp second, motion carried 2-0. [The Land Purchase Agreement has not been executed since after the meeting Clerk Shonyo learned from the surveyor Mike Zillgitt that the legal description could change in the Metes & Bounds review process. If this occurs the Land Purchase Agreement will need to be revised. Supervisor Ken Mergen decided to hold the process based on this info. Also, the Metes & Bounds split dividing the original parcel into two parcels needs to occur before land closing. The closing date may need to change depending on the time needed to process the Metes & Bounds.]

Ken Mergen will talk with Dietrich Flesch, Wabasha County engineer, about road construction timing and other details.

Kim Stanton noted that the \$34,000. CD was cashed; that money is available.

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Neil Stolp was contacted by the City of Oronoco about seal coating and chip sealing 12th St. Our portion of the cost would be about \$3,700. Ken Mergen made a motion to approve “about \$3,700.” for this work. Neil Stolp second, motion carried 2-0.

Ken Mergen made a motion to adjourn at 5:35pm. Neil Stolp second, motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lucy Shonyo, Clerk

Neil Stolp, Chair