

**Minutes of the Continuation of the May 7, 2014 Meeting of the
Avon Township Supervisors
May 21, 2014
Avon Township Hall**

1. **Call to Order**: Chairman Bresnahan called the Continuation Meeting of May 7, 2014 of the Avon Township Supervisors to order at 7:30 P.M. in the main chamber of the Avon Township Hall.
2. **Pledge**: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. **Roll Call**: Present –Richard Bresnahan, John Merdan, Roger Nelson, Kelly Martini, and Marion Gondringer; Absent - Stephen Saupe.
4. **Approval of Agenda**: Added to the agenda was a resolution to authorize the Supervisors to assist the maintenance position when needed. Merdan moved to approve the agenda as amended. Nelson second. All in favor. Motion carried.
5. **Scheduled Business**:
 - a. Van Heel Driveway permit: Permit approved at the May 7th meeting. Permit signed.
 - b. Decision on an engineering firm for road projects of the season: Proposals by Stantec and Westwood Professional Services. Both companies submitted engineering proposals for the resurfacing of 6.2 miles of Township roads. Proposals reviewed. Motion by Nelson to approve hiring Westwood Engineering for the proposed engineering project. Second by Merdan. All in favor. Motion carried.
 - c. Road project decisions: Merdan will meet with engineering firm to go over the specifications of the resurfacing project.
 - d. Discussion of two Township residents working on driveway alterations taking place without permits. A letter will be drafted to these two residents to address the rebuilding or extension of their driveways without permits. Fines will be applied.
 - e. Rausch Gravel Pit: To respond to the inquiry concerning information about the required permit bond, notice will be sent to explain that the bond is for the restoration of the site and is not related to insurance needs. Notification will be sent to this effect.
 - f. Tim Branvold – Update. Legal notice has been sent to Mr. Branvold to instruct him to refrain from laying piping or hose within the road right of way on 325th Street. The piping/hose is being used to drain his pond. Mr. Brandvold has been instructed that there can be absolutely no obstructions placed in the road right of way for reasons of safety and that his piping/hose will be removed if it is again placed in the road right of way.
 - g. Resolution to authorize Supervisor Nelson to assist Koopmeiners with chipping brush as needed at this time. Motion by Merdan to adopt Resolution # 05-21-2014 for Roger Nelson to assist with chipping as needed by Maintenance employee at this time. Second by Bresnahan. All in favor. Motion approved.
6. **Reports/ Announcements**:
 - a. The Township has received notification from Knife River that they will begin mining/processing operations at the **Pierskalla / Ramler gravel** pit on approximately May 19th, 2014. Landowner notifications have been sent to surrounding landowners as

per condition of their Interim Use Permit. Their permit expires on June 5, 2018.
(Conditions of permit attached.)

- b. Calcium chloride for dust control has been requested by Paul Buttweiler for the north end of 165th Street. Merdan will look into addressing this.
- c. Koopmeiners alerts the Township to excavating taking place resembling driveway installation preparations by Jeff Lange on between 52 and 145th Street. Merdan will look into this.

Adjournment: Merdan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM. Nelson second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Announcement of Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion Gondringer, Deputy Clerk

Supervisor Approval

Richard Bresnahan

Roger Nelson

John Merdan

Attest

Date

Attachment

Ramler / Pierskalla Gravel Mine Interim Use Permit: Estimated removal, 30-40 tons. \$1,000 bond per acre, (\$20,000 total) Conditions of Interim Use as follows:

- a. Notify neighbors 5 – 10 days in advance of crushing;
- b. Operate from 5:00 AM – 9:00 PM, excluding Sundays and holidays;
- c. Stockpiles and natural vegetation used as a screening for noise reduction. If there is excess noise, the permit will be reviewed and Mr. Henry will be contacted;
- d. Appropriate signs are posted when hauling;
- e. The pit meets all state and county regulations for erosion/storm water control and reclamation;
- f. Lighting is directed downward;
- g. Refuse is hauled off-site;
- h. Roads are watered to control dust as needed;
- i. A safety fence along the ridge to the west is installed/repared;
- j. The gate is locked when not in use;
- k. Bond of \$1,000 per acre, \$20,000 total for reclamation;
- l. Interim Use Permit is for a five-year period to expire June 5, 2018.