

TIFA Board Meeting

March 14th, 2011

5:30p.m.

Members present: Chuck Hurst, Norine Maki, Ikey Todd, John Jilbert, Roger Crimmens, Kim Isaacson, and Todd Rankinen

Guests: Keith Perry, Harry Miron, Paula Stone, Marie, Jon Mykkanen, Wulf McNeil

Defer approval of minutes from last meeting, Ms. Todd was absent from meeting and it seems no one took any minutes.

- Discussed at last meeting the repairs etc. that would be done to the dam.
- Don Keim will be attending a meeting to help go over the budget and rest of financial status for TIFA organization.
- Public hearing will be held before the monthly township meeting on the 24h of March at 6:00p.m.

Mr. Hurst asked that Roger go over the presentation he gave at the last meeting. Roger agreed.

Paula discussed the FOIA requests she has in and would like it under new business; she is waiting on the minutes from previous meetings.

Paula also mentioned that Faye asked that she and Paula share responsibilities on the financial part of the TIFA.

Ms. Todd brought up filling Jenny's position on the board. It was stated we still need a letter from Jenny so that she will be officially resigned.

There was a motion to accept the agenda by Norine and a second by Kim.

A question was asked when the dam was built – it was in 1898

Public Comment

- Keith asked about a fish ladder, he believes we are under obligation to put one on if we were to take over the dam.
- Harry asked if we would consider going further down the river with our tax assessment. Gary stated that the county will not allow us to do it.

May 10th, 2010 minutes were passed out to everyone to look over. They were misplaced before and we needed to get them out. There was a motion by Roger to accept the minutes and a second by Todd.

Budget

- Collection for last year's taxes for the TIFA was in the negative.
- A prediction for approximately \$4,160.00 on average for this year.
- It was talked about a 2% increase each year.
- Approximately \$18,708 has been spent so far on the TIFA.
 - a.)DNR permit applications
 - b.)UP Power contract
 - c.)Swanson
 - d.)UP Engineer's
 - e.)Attorney fees

Annexation – Chuck has to go back to the County board with more numbers but it has been tentatively approved.

New Business

- Dan Mitchell / resigned from project manager. The TIFA had a contract with him so we would need to figure out an amount if we need to pay him.
- Discussion by the board on Dan and what all he did

A motion was made by Roger and a 2nd by Norine not to accept Dan's resignation and would like revisit it at the next meeting. John J. opposed.

Gary said he can't give the exact numbers until he get information from Ann / county treasure. Approximate \$4,160.00 in taxes to TIFA

Roger talked about the proposal on repairing the dam. It was the same talk he gave at the February meeting.

John Jilbert wanted to know where we are at with the DNR.

Norine asked about the hydroelectric dam comment that was in the Mining Journal. Gary said he made the comment.

A motion was made by John J. to approve the conceptual plan as presented by Roger, a 2nd by Todd Rankinen.

Paula and Faye will do report on financial, will be at the meetings and present them. There will be a cost to TIFA.

Norine asked if Dan Mitchell did leave do we have anyone in area with this expertise.

Wulf will check on Jim Rittenhouse.

John J. concerned on his comments but everyone assured him we all support him.

Todd made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Roger 2nd

Meeting adjourned.

April 11th next meeting at 5:30p.m.