STILLWATER TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 13, 2008 Town Hall 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairperson Jim Doriott, Supervisors Jim Hiniker, David Johnson, Linda Countryman and Clerk Pat Bantli. Also, Treasurer Carol Collins, Attorney Soren Mattick, Planner Sherri Buss, Engineer Paul Pearson, Chief Of Police Steve Nelson and Karen Richtman.

1. AGENDA - M/S/P Hiniker/Countryman moved to adopt the agenda as written. (4 ayes)

2. MINUTES - M/S/P Hiniker/Countryman moved to approve the 2/28/08 town board meeting minutes as written. (4 ayes)

3. TREASURER -
   a. Report was given.
   b. Escrow letters were sent out.
   c. Claims were reviewed and checks #18577 through #18603 were approved for payment.

4. ANNUAL MEETING 2009 STIPENDS - Approved:

Lucy Winton Bell	$5,000
Youth Services	$5,500
City of Stillwater (Library)	$5,000
Stone Arch Bridge (It may not be possible because of private property restriction.)	$5,000

The attorney informed the board there is a $10,000 "cap" for non-profits. The $5,000 to the City of Stillwater is exempt due to government giving to government.

The board feels that Youth Services is a service to the community not just a "gift/donation" therefore we would like some research to see if this is possible. If so, that might free up $5,000 to donate to a non-profit such as helping to restore the Stone Arch Bridge.

The attorney is researching the Historical Registry aspect of the $5,000 donation to the Stone Arch Bridge is another possibility.

5. PLANNER -
   a. Update Kennel License Ordinance - There will be a licensed format instead of a CUP. Board members do not want to encourage large kennels. Larger lot

size is important. At the next town board meeting see if the kennel permit is the same as the one the county uses.

Board members advise but not limited to:
1. Exercise opportunity.
2. Ability to keep animals inside.
3. Must be inside at night.
4. Compliance with sanitary standards.

b. Watson Kennel Permit CUP - The CUP is being held until the payment for expenses is received.
c. Major/Dwyer Variance - 9208 Mendel Road North - Planner Sherri Buss explained that a mistake had been made regarding fees for the Major/Dwyer variance. A letter to explain the situation will be sent to make it clear that approximately $2,000 is due to the township from the applicants.

6. CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT -
   a. One dog was impounded for the month. The bill was received and paid for by the township.
   b. Seven burning permits were issued. Two of them were for buckthorn.
   c. The Parcheta Ski Course was discussed. The attorney feels we are complying with the meeting requirement requested by the sheriff's office for public input.
   d. M/S/P Countryman/Hiniker moved that Steve Nelson will take an online course for police officers standard and training credits at a cost of $85.00. (4 ayes)

7. ENGINEER -
   a. Alternatives to Rock Salt - The engineer discussed some alternatives to rock salt including Meltdown, Apex and Geomelt. He also reviewed a report from MnDot which indicated that the Geomelt product is not recommended for state wide implementation.
   b. Carnelian-Marine Watershed District - Proposed Rules - The engineer discussed the proposed rules. The board members asked the engineer to send a letter to the watershed addressing concerns discussed at the board meeting.
   c. Otta Seal - The engineer discussed a new method of creating a bituminous surface on an existing gravel roadway named Otta Seal. The board asked the engineer to research it and obtain more information.

8. KAREN RICHTMAN - RECYCLING - Karen is still a partner with the City of Stillwater. Funding is the same as last year. She mentioned that single/sort recycling is not working as well as had hoped and that Mike Maroney is not responding regarding her requests to know about Heavy Metal Day.

2008 Recycling Projects -
1. Heavy Metal Day.

2. Fall Newsletter Insert.
3. Township Event.
4. School Program at Rutherford.
5. Karen will attend the township's Communications Meeting at 5:30 p.m. on April 10.

9. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Clerk_____

Chairperson_____

Approved_____