

Special Meeting # 1 of the Windemere Township Board - November 21, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM by Chairman, John Wesely. Others present were Supervisors Heidi Kroening and Mark Dunaski, Clerk Scott Danelski. Absent Treasurer Ron Mossberg. Also present, Jimmy Lee Kroon & Tara Dobosenski.

PROPERTY REASSESSMENT (PID # 33.0546.000 Located @ 34963 Laketown Road) :

The reassessment of property PID # 33.0546.000 located at 34963 Laketown Road Sturgeon Lake, MN (the former Dobo's Bar Property) was discussed. The tax-forfeited property went up for sale at Pine County's tax-forfeited land auction held on September 18th, 2020. The property was purchased by Jimmy Lee Kroon for \$12,000.00 with the stipulation that the purchaser would also be responsible for a Windemere Township assessment of approximately \$56,000.00. When tax-forfeited properties are auctioned, the County Auditor removes all current assessments and it is the township's responsibility to place the assessment back onto any property. For property PID # 33.0546.000, Windemere Township has until November 30th, 2020 to complete and record the new assessment with Pine County. The total amount proposed to be reassessed is \$49,262.53.

PUBLIC INPUT / OBJECTIONS :

Jimmy Lee Kroon and Tara Dobosenski were present to discuss the reassessment on property PID # 33.0546.000 located at 34963 Laketown Road Sturgeon Lake, MN. Jimmy Lee Kroon requested a deduction of the purposed \$49,262.53 special assessment on the property and offered to pay \$40,000.00 today to settle the special assessment. The Windemere Town Board made a counter-offer to meet the owner approximately half-way on remaining requested \$9262.53 deduction of the special assessment and requested a payment by the owner of \$44,600.00 to settle. Jimmy Lee Kroon accepted the township's counter-offer. The Town Board believes the \$44,600 payment to be a fair offer as payment in-full of the special assessment placed on the property. The Windemere Town Board had originally placed \$49,319.67 special assessment on this property back on October 15th, 2012 along with a 13.25% interest rate annum. The property sold for \$12,000.00 during the 2020 Pine County Land Auction, and the township expects to receive \$6600.00 from the county for the sale. Today's payment of \$44,600.00 plus the \$6600.00 from the Pine County sale equal \$51,200.00. This total covers the \$49,319.67 expense the township paid to clean up the property due a fire which occurred on the property during the fall of 2011. Motion by Wesely, seconded by Dunaski to accept and approve check # 2786 from Jimmy Lee Kroon in the amount of \$44,600.00 as payment in-full to settle the special assessment on property PID # 33.0546.000 located at 34963 Laketown Road Sturgeon Lake, MN to be paid on November 21st, 2020. Roll Call Vote Taken: Wesely – Aye, Dunaski – Aye, Kroening – Abstained. Motion Passed 2 Aye – 0 Nay.

ADJOURN :

Motion made by Wesely, seconded by Dunaski to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 AM. Roll Call Vote Taken: Wesely – Aye, Kroening – Aye, Dunaski – Aye. Motion Passed 3 Aye – 0 Nay.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED :

APPROVED :

Clerk, Scott Danelski

Chairman, John Wesely