

Upper Midwest A-C Club
Board Meeting Conference Call Minutes
Wednesday, November 11, 2020 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order – Darrell called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm

Roll Call – Present: Darrell, Todd, Lori, Tom, Cody, Scott & Joan (Lynn – Late/left early)

Absent: Joe

Also present: Bob Paulson & Brad Grams

TREASURER’S REPORT:

ASSETS

Checking = \$ 3,487.66
Building Fund = \$ 136,340.00
Money Market = \$ 101,928.04
Scholarship = \$ 9,252.44

SUB TOTAL = \$251,048.14

LIABILITIES

Sales Tax Payable \$ 428.42
Mortgage = \$ 92,795.14

SUB TOTAL = \$93,223.56

TOTAL = \$157,824.58

All outstanding deposits have been made and bills have paid.

First installment of building payment of \$15,190 was sent out on 9/30/2020.

First installment of tooling on 2021 Sprayer of \$16,000 was sent out on 9/30/2020.

****All accounts were balanced and reconciled to the bank accounts as of 11/8/2020.***

Building project: –

Darrell talked to Braun Intertec today and they reassured us that the material that is there on the property is suitable fill. Their only concern is if there are boulders or concrete chunks or any other debris in the fill, that it would need to be removed. Darrell tried to get ahold of Kyle Dimmler who is the city inspector but he is out of town so he talked to Dan the supervisor of planning and zoning. He said that we could hire Braun to come out and supervise the excavation but we would still need to hire them to do the final soil boring test once we are done. So basically we are starting over from square one.

Set backs are 25 feet from the road right of way. Right of way is 60 feet plus 25 set back – so 85 feet from the center line of airport road is the closest the building could be. Todd thinks we should set the building at least 90 feet back to allow a little extra cushion. The pad will need to be a little bigger as well. Bob asked about how wide the pad needs to be. Pad size needs to

be determined on what we decide to build. We will have black dirt that we will be pushing off to back fill along the pad. Brad thinks we should go at least 175 feet long to allow for sloping if we do 160 foot building and 75 on the sides for a 60 foot wide building. "Plan bigger for packing and sloping".

We discussed using the excavated soil to slope the sides for mowing. Brad doesn't think we will be getting enough to completely cover but we will cross that bridge when we get there. The main concern at this point is to get the okay for the pad and get that pad completed. Any other excavation or final dirt moving could be done after the fact quite easily once the pad is good to go.

Brad thinks we could have Braun come out once they get past the organic material and do a preliminary test to make sure there is proper compaction in the glacial fill. If we do this, Brad is confident that we can get a good base putting the fill back in. Bob is concerned that we will do all of this work and then having the test fail again. Scott, Lori, Brad, Tom and Bob all agree to have them come out at that point and re-test (preliminarily). That would at least help us know we are good at that point.

Darrell contacted Braun and asked that question and was told the earliest they could be out to test would be December 11.

Brad said we most likely won't be starting excavation for at least a week due to the moisture with the recent rain, snow and freeze. He thinks that maybe next weekend (November 20) would be the earliest they could begin, and that assumes no more moisture between now and then. Brad is planning to go out there tomorrow to take some measurements to make sure there is enough movable material on the site.

Brad talked to his boss at Minnesota Roadways who is willing to let him use some of the equipment needed for the excavation. He can use a smaller dozer and a large compactor and the low boy to get equipment out there. We would need to rent a larger dozer. Brad called a few rental companies that he uses and the Case 2050 machine would be the best for the money. The cost would be \$3,000 per week for that machine plus the cost for them to deliver it to the site. Brad's company would like a donation letter stipulating the number of hours and details of the equipment that they are letting us use as a donation. Brad would be able to haul the low boy, small dozer and a finish dozer and a compactor/base roller. Todd has also gotten the okay from his bosses at Plehal Blacktopping to use their equipment for the same donation letter.

Brad, Todd, Aaron Grams who also works for Plehal Blacktopping have all offered their time to assist and run the equipment as they are all trained in using this equipment and the process. Darrell Grams, Jr. and Sr. are all available as well and have offered their time. Assuming all falls into place, this could start as early as Thursday Nov 19 through Sunday Nov 22 next week. Brad thinks with the correct people in the equipment we could be done with this project in 4

days. Bob Paulson said he would also be available to help wherever needed. Todd thinks we should have a skid loader there just to pull rocks & debris from the fill.

Brad said we might be able to do this without renting the large dozer and they all agreed to try if at all possible to make that happen. Brad said he would check into getting a smaller dozer out there to see what can be done with that before we rent the larger dozer. Maybe we can get it done without having to rent one.

Lori makes motion to rent the dozer for \$3,000/week if it is needed. Cody seconds. All in favor – motion carries. Lori, Todd, Scott, Cody, Darrell, Joan – Yes. Lynn – No. Lynn wanted to know if anyone had contacted Larry Karg to see if he would let us use his large dozer. Darrell said yes, he did contact Larry but because he is focusing on the animal shelter site outside of Hutch right now so he said no.

Lynn wanted to know if we had a budget for this project. So far this is what we know:

Original Soil Test by Braun - \$4,000

Fuel – Unknown

Possible Rental & Delivery of large dozer = \$3,000 + delivery cost

Permit for dirt work – Unknown if this will be required or not.

Permit for the actual building – Unknown until we know specifics of building which we won't know until we figure out what the excavation costs run.

These costs need to be compared to the original proposal of \$50,000 - \$80,000 originally to get this work done. We also need to remember that all of the labor and other equipment we use for this project will be donated by Minnesota Roadways and Plehal Blacktopping.

Darrell explains that while we are doing the dirt work for this building we will work up the pad large enough and have them test so if/when we decide to build bigger or add on the testing has been documented to hopefully mitigate any question down the road (IN THE FUTURE). Todd's opinion is to prep the pad for a 60 x 180 foot building as well as a site for FUTURE expansion but only put up a smaller building in this first stage of building. He said if we do this, the tests will have already been done and documented. Braun has a long historic record of doing this type of testing work and if we have the testing done now the city may accept that in the future. Todd thinks once we know the total cost of the dirt work then we need to re-group and figure out first stage building size.

Tom agreed we should get the building pad work done and then reassess where we are at with cost and the budget. Then we will need to start over from square one on getting a permit for the building. At that time we can see how much we have spent and how much we have left to spend and can discuss our options for the size of the building.

We brought Lynn up to speed on where we are at – He was unaware that the location of the proposed building had changed. Apparently that was not made crystal clear in the minutes

from the prior phone call on Sunday. So we explained that we have changed the proposed location of the building on the property to where there has been NO FILL dumped. This location is immediately to the RIGHT SIDE – WEST of the driveway (as you enter), running parallel to Airport Road staying far enough away from Airport Road to be clear of right of way. The reason for this is that there is currently NO FILL there and there would be NO FILL to remove from this location to get down to glacial till. The only excavation that would HOPEFULLY be needed here would be to scrape off the top soil and organic material and build up the pad using the fill that is currently on site.

We talked about the slope on the sides of the pad and around the perimeter of the property and making them mow-able. Darrell also pointed out that we need to get the driveway – culvert extension done so we can close out that open permit at the city. Todd and Brad both are aware of this.

Other Items:

Darrell talked to Gary Agrimson. He has delivered to us, equipment bail loader and roto bailer that was donated to us by Mick Lugstad from, Monticello, IA. Lori needs to send Mr. Lugstad a donation letter. Curt Lilliodin delivered the equipment to Gail and Nancy Shipansky's place in Marshall and Gary picked it up from there. Joan makes motion that we reimburse Curt Lilliodin \$250 for fuel for delivering the equipment as far as he did. Tom seconds - All in favor, motion carries.

Darrell also will get Lori the information for the guy who donated the 5045 so we can send him a donation letter as well, even though he said he didn't want one. Lori said we need to do these letters just so donated items are documented and recorded in the Club's records; something that in the past was never done. Todd thinks we should also at least acknowledge these people in the newsletter with a Thank You. Agreed!!

Scholarship Committee: –

Cody said he hasn't talked to anyone on the committee about the state of the nation. Ken Holtz sent a note to Darrell about not having an auction and whether the club was going to put \$750 in the scholarship fund for 2020 even though we didn't have a show. Ken wants to get reimbursed for the materials he bought to prepare the items for the auction. Everyone agrees that he needs to be reimbursed and said he needs to submit a reimbursement request to Todd or Lori. We need to know what we are reimbursing for and have that documented. Lori explained that he doesn't need to submit the formal reimbursement FORM as long as he sends and email request with amounts and details. Lori will email Ken and copy Cody, Darrell and Dale and Todd.

Also, there were items that were prepared for the 2020 show auction that they still are holding as well.

Todd pointed out that the scholarship committee has got to try to get more fundraisers going or come up with ideas on how to fund the bank account. We can't rely on just one auction each year to keep funding that. There needs to be fundraising initiatives going on all year long.

Darrell wants to put this on the agenda for the January meeting and get some proposals and information to present. He will contact Ken and Dale and see if they would like to come to the January board meeting.

Show Toy:

Darrell thinks we only have 4 toys left to sell. We have sold the extras that were made in allowance for breakage in delivery. So far only one toy had to be replaced due to breakage which is really good.

Cody asked about possibly making a 2035 Toy and 2540 possibly in the future. Darrell said that Rich Martin has said that yellow and green don't sell. We would have to ask permission of Ertl to make a tractor because they now own the rights but Darrell said he would call and ask the question.

Future Meetings:

January 16, 2021 @ 10am – Board Meeting – Lori's Office in Edina.

Adjourn – Todd makes motion to adjourn – Scott seconds - All in favor, motion carries.
Meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm