Re-Convened Annual Town Meeting Minutes August 25, 2010

On Wednesday, August 25, 2010, the Annual Town Meeting was re-convened at the Big Lake Town Hall, located in Lions Park Community Center, 21960 County Road 5, Big Lake Township, County of Sherburne, State of Minnesota.

Moderator Rick Stearns called the meeting to order at 7:51 p.m. There were 9 people in attendance when the meeting commenced. The meeting was tape recorded for transcribing purposes only.

<u>Approval of the Agenda</u> – A motion was made by Ewald Petersen to approve the agenda. Jim Stahlmann seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion carried. The meeting proceeded in accordance with the agenda as presented.

Unfinished Business

a. **Finalize 2011 Tax Levy** – Treasurer Warneke presented the proposed levy information as follows:

Treasurer Warneke presented adjustments to the proposed 2011 levy within each fund, during the Second Monthly Board Meeting immediately preceding the Re-Convened Annual Meeting. John Norgren motioned to waive presentation of the proposed levy presentation. Mike Hayes seconded. All present were in favor. The motion carried. Treasurer Warneke recommended the 2011 levy total, presented at the March 9, 2010 Annual Meeting, remain at \$1,070,000.

Treasurer Warneke called for questions regarding the 2011 levy proposal. John Norgren inquired how much the repair project exceeded the anticipated cost. Treasurer Warneke advised it will be approximately \$8,000. more than the original estimate of \$250,000. He further advised the funds to make the repair are a loan from the Township to the Homeowner's Association and residents of Aspen Hills will be paying back the loan over a 5-year period through a property tax assessment. Rick Stearns asked who was responsible to monitor the system and how will the Township be insured that there will not be a future failure of the system. Larry Alfords reviewed the process of how the system works. Improvements made to the system and the septic tank capacities, the construction review and permitting process with the MPCA and the daily monitoring of the system by a licensed operating contractor. Ewald Petersen noted there are changes in process to state septic system Rule 7080 as the result of legislative actions. Counties have until February 2012 to create septic system operation regulations.

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Ewald Petersen motioned to approve the total tax levy for 2011 in the amount of \$1,070,000. John Norgren seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motioned carried. The annual levy for 2011 was set at \$1,070,000.

| Total | \$1,070,000 |
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| CIP 2006B Bond Redemption For | und \$ 53,000 |
| Fire District #1 | \$ 30,000 |
| B.L. Fire Fund | \$104,000 |
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| Road Fund | \$663,000 |
| General Fund | \$220,000 |

<u>Adjournment</u>

Mike Hayes motioned to adjourn the re-convened annual meeting. Norm Leslie seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Hayes, Clerk