

April 26, 2012

A regular board meeting was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. All board members were present. There were 11 public attendees at the meeting.

Motion by Kut, supported by Dalpra to approve the minutes from the meeting held on March 21, 2012. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Aho to approve the agenda with additions. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS FORMAN'S REPORT:

Monthly bacterial water samples were collected from the Lind and Townline systems and delivered to the White Water Lab in Amasa for testing. All samples met the DEQ's standard requirements.

Repaired a water main break along the Industrial Park Road several hundred feet North of Warner Mine Road intersection.

The Township hall parking lot was swept and the lawn was raked.

Litter was cleaned up along several roads resulting in 46 full thirty gallon trash bags of debris..

The organic waste site was cleaned up to prepare for residence disposing of branches, leaves and grass clippings.

Motion by Dalpra, supported by Seppala to approve the Public Works Forman's report as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ISSUES AND FIRE CHIEFS REPORT:

Fire Chief Ray Niemi reported to the board that there was a total of 2 fire calls for the month of March. Niemi stated that there were approximately 14 man hours spend in fighting the fires. Seven structures were threatened, stated Niemi, but the department wasn't needed. Niemi stated that Central Dispatch has been notified of the change in fire department service for the Lake May residents. Crystal Falls will still maintain a mutual aid agreement with the Alpha-Mastodon Fire Department, but will only respond if called, commented Niemi. The department held one practice and or training sessions during the month. Members attended WE Energies Emergency Action Agency and First Responders meeting in Iron Mountain. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

GARBAGE PICKUP SPRING CLEAN-UP:

Lesandrini stated that the Spring clean-up date is scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 8:00 to noon. A list of items accepted and not accepted will be posted on line and also in the paper.

GIBSON PARK UPDATE AND OPENING:

Lesandrini stated that he hopes to have the park opened before May 15th. " Road restrictions are still on so the guys can't get in to move some gravel. Picnic tables have been ordered, plus the guys have made trash bins to protect the garbage from the animals. The Township will be also be responsible for hiring of the lifeguard for the lake", said Lesandrini.

RESOLUTION UPDATE FOR IRON COUNTY SOLID WASTE PLAN:

Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the resolution for the Iron County Solid Waste Plan. Roll call was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM OR GIS WEB HOSTING:

Gary Hoaglund, GIS manager for Coleman Engineering, explained how his company could host the website for the township to provide GIS services. There is a lot of information out there, stated Hoaglund. "Information is available to tax assessor, land use developers, utilities, real estate companies and more. Municipalities benefit from the efficiency of the program allowing landowners to access information about parcels, zoning, variances and other issues that take time for staff to research" said Hoaglund. "The initial cost is from \$7,000.00 to \$10,000.00 per client with additional maintenance costs" said Hoaglund. Lesandrini stated that he would like to see the County take this on as a whole, splitting the costs among the participating municipalities.

Motion by Dalpra, supported by Kut to approve the EFT's in the amount of \$686.00, Prepaid's in the amount of \$60,125.50 and the Monthly's in the amount of \$14,124.21 for a total of \$74,933.71. Roll call was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Dalpra to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Joanne Seppala/Clerk