

November 28, 2012

A regular board meeting was held on November 13, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. All board members were present, except for Clerk Joanne Seppala. A motion by Kut, supported by Aho to approve Dalpra taking the minutes in the clerks absents. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion by Dalpra, supported by Kut to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 9, 2012. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kut, supported by Dalpra to approve the agenda with additions. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS FORMAN'S REPORT:

The mandatory 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.

Engine oil and filters were changed on the sanitation truck and other fluid levels checked.

Seventy three of the 151 fire hydrants were inspected and winterized.

Sewer main and manholes were cleaned behind the Mini Mall area and along US-2.

Two water main valve boxes were repaired on Oswald Street.

The organic waste site was cleaned up 5 times during the month of October.

Motion by Aho, supported by Dalpra to approve the Public Works Foreman's Report. All Ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ISSUES AND FIRE CHIEFS REPORT:

Fire Chief Niemi reported to the board that there were four fire calls in the month of October. Approximately 101 man hours were spent in fighting the fires, stated Niemi. The department held one practice/tour of Connors Sports Flooring and updated the center operating procedure. Also, a command center has been set up in the security systems trailer. After further discussion, a motion by Kut, supported by Dalpra to approve the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

LAND FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK – CURT STEBIC:

Stebic reported to the board that on October 25, 2012 the Planning Commission/Zoning Board held a regular meeting and addressed the issue of whether or not to recommend the possible sale or exchange of a 40 acre parcel located adjacent to the Crystal Falls Township Industrial Park. The parcel has lack of legal access and site conditions making it currently unsuitable for use as an industrial park site. Any purchase or exchange of the parcel would benefit the township by putting the land back on the tax role. Stebic stated that it is the recommendation of the Planning Commission that the Crystal Falls Township Board offer for sale or exchange, approximately 40 acres to the public with special effort to be made in contacting the bordering owners. After further discussion, a motion by Kut, supported by Dalpra to advertise the site on the Township website until June 1, 2012. Roll call was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

CRYSTELLA SKI HILL:

Jeff Ball reported to the board that the CRA is looking into 6 volunteers to train with CPR certified first aid training. Also, Ball stated that the CRA is looking into hiring a full-time tow operator on top of the full-time tow operator which the Township volunteered to pay for.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT:

After further discussion, a motion by Dalpra, supported by Kut to approve the appointment of Debra Divoky to the Crystal Falls District Library board with the term to expire December 31, 2015. Roll call was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

CONTRACT WITH FOREST PARK SCHOOLS FOR TAX COLLECTIONS FOR 2013:

Dalpra stated that the contract with the school for summer tax collection will automatically renew, therefore no changes at this time.

UTILITY BILLING CLERK:

Lesandrini stated that with the new appointment to the clerk's position, a utility billing clerk would have to be hired. Lesandrini recommended having an ad run in the paper for utility billing clerk with a filing deadline of Monday, November 26, 2012 at noon. Motion by Kut, supported by Dalpra to run an ad in the paper for a utility billing clerk with filing deadline of Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> by noon. Lesandrini also recommended to reschedule the regular board meeting to Thursday, December 4, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. and to have interviews, with the meeting to

follow. Aho made a motion, supported by Dalpra to reschedule the monthly board from December 11<sup>th</sup> to December 4, 2012.

Motion by Kut, supported by Aho to accept with regret the resignation of Treasurer, Mary Dalpra as of December 31, 2012. Lesandrini and the board wished Mary all the best in her new position. Roll call was taken. All ayes.

Motion carried. Motion by Aho, supported by Kut to post the position for treasure in the paper, with the filing deadline November 30<sup>th</sup>. Roll call was taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Lesandrini stated that the interviews for both positions would be on December 4<sup>th</sup> prior to the board meeting.

Motion by Dalpra, supported by Kut to approve the EFT's in the amount of \$686.00, the monthly's in the amount of \$12,878.99, and the prepaid's in the amount of \$23,809.46 with a total of \$37,374.45.

Roll call was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kut, supported by Aho to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Joanne Seppala/Clerk