

January 10, 2018

A regular meeting was held January 9, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were eight public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Gustafson to approve the regular meeting minutes from December 12, 2017. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

**WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT:** No report.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT:** Supervisor Lesandrini went over the Fire Chief's December report and year-end report with the board. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

**UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICE:** Robb Anderson informed the board that a pre-construction work meeting is set up for Thursday, January 11. Motion by Seppala, supported by Gustafson to approve the request for draw number two in the amount of \$8436.65. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Gustafson to approve the GEI contract in the amount of \$74,800.00 for design and services of the Heritage Trail. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Gustafson to approve lift station dialer repairs in the amount of \$4554.66 and to amend the budget GL# 590-527-930-000 to \$4554.66. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Anderson reported that an application was submitted for a \$30,000 Iron Belle Grant for the next phase of the Heritage Trail from Donahue Park to Bewabic State Park. Announcements would take place in February.

**TOWNSHIP OPTING IN OR OUT OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA STATE LICENSING:** No action taken.

**TREASURER'S POSITION:** Donna Gustafson submitted her resignation effective March 1, 2018. Motion with regret by Niemi, supported by Seppala to accept the resignation. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to appoint Jen Ketola to Treasurer as of March 1, 2018 with training to begin immediately on an hourly basis. Roll call taken. Seppala – yes, Gustafson – abstain, Lesandrini – yes, Niemi – yes, Kut – yes. Motion carried. Motion by Gustafson, supported by Seppala to post the position of Deputy Clerk / Utility Billing Clerk in-house for ten days and if no response to advertise. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**AUTO READ TECHNICAL SUPPORT:** Motion by Seppala, supported by Gustafson to approve technical support from HD Water Supply in the amount of \$2100.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**UPDATE ON JUDGEMENT OF ZONING VIOLATION LIND ROAD:** Zoning and Planning Administrator Cary Gustafson reported that the Township prevailed in a civil trial. Clean-up has to take place by July 1, 2018 and if not a \$500 a day fine will be set in place.

**DATES FOR 2018/2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP:** Supervisor Lesandrini told the board to be thinking of dates in the end of February and early March for the Budget Workshop.

**REPORTS:** No reports.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Iron County Chairperson Tim Aho updated the board on County information and projects. Motion by Seppala supported by Gustafson to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$2790.77, the Monthly's for \$80,152.67 and the EFT's for \$446.00 with a total of \$83,749.44. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Jen Ketola/Deputy Clerk