

January 13, 2021

A regular monthly meeting was held virtually via Zoom on January 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 2 public attendees who joined via Zoom. Motion by Seppala, supported by Niemi to approve the agenda. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes from December 15, 2020. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: No public comments.

PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS: Reviewed Library minutes and financial statements from Director Evelyn Gathu.

Reviewed ICECA January 2021 Report.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN REPORT: Reviewed the Water Superintendent report from the month of December.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Reviewed the Fire Chief's report from the month of December.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Reviewed the Zoning Administrator's report from the month of December.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Reviewed the Assessor's report from the month of December.

Discussion held on Department reports. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to accept the Departmental reports as presented. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$76,271.23, the Monthly's for \$23,401.33 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$100,407.26. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE STATION UPDATE: Supervisor Kenney reviewed. Discussion held.

i. Land acquisition: Reviewed with the Board. Discussion held.

ii. Financing: GEI submitted prepared documents to Rural Development. The process is underway.

LIND ROAD CLEANUP UPDATE - ATTORNEY: Attorney Tinti updated the Board. Discussion held.

IRON BELLE TRAIL: The extension of the Iron Belle trail has been filed with the State. Expected to be completed in the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

SEWER AGREEMENT – CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS: Discussion held on updated sewer agreement with the City of Crystal Falls.

POVERTY LEVEL EXEMPTION – ASSET TEST: Reviewed and will update after changes from the State.

WATER AFFORDABILITY AND PLANNING GRANT- DIFFERENT THAN LAST MONTH: Reviewed with the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported Ketola to approve the involvement of GEI for Affordability & Planning Grant with EGLE. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSISTANCE PROJECT GRANT: Reviewed with the Board to approve the signing of the Volunteer Fire Assistance Project Grant application. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to proceed with the application for the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant Program. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: Supervisor Kenney received a call regarding the Ski Hill workers workman's comp insurance. Trustee Kut mentioned a DNR recreation grant and wondering what opportunities there are.

ADJOURN: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. Roll call taken. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

