

August 11, 2021

A regular monthly meeting was held on August 10, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 5 public attendees. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to approve the agenda with an addition 10F.) Fire Department Mutual Aid. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from July 13, 2021 and Special meeting minutes from July 27, 2021. 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 July 2021 Report. Included in the report are the June 2021 financials.

Reviewed the High-speed internet information from Brian Rippey of Teck Solutions. Mark Bromley stated ICECA could put out information for the Township residents.

Reviewed the City of Crystal Falls Master Plan and Mastodon Township Master Plan.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN REPORT: Reviewed the Water Superintendent's report for the month of July.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Reviewed the Fire Chief's report for the month of July. Congratulations to the Race Team for 3rd place in the UP Firefighters Tournament.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Reviewed the Zoning Administrator's report for the month of July.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Reviewed the Assessor's report for the month of July.

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

FIRE STATION UPDATE: Robb Anderson with GEI updated the Board. Discussion held.

- i. Land acquisition update: No response from MDOT on the acquisition of the land.

HALL SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS: Waiting for completion of the work by Carey Contracting.

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

IRON BELLE TRAIL: Robb Anderson with GEI stated the preliminary design work is nearly completed.

WALKING TRAIL HISTORY CONTEST: Supervisor Kenney reviewed. Will revisit at a later date.

FIRE DEPARTMENT MUTUAL AID: Attorney Tinti updated the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept Attorney Tinti's report on the Fire Department Mutual Aid and sign the agreement. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

ADVERTISEMENT – FIRE PREVENTION WEEK: Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to advertise for Fire Prevention Week at a cost of \$45. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS:

- i. Craig Nelson – Planning Commission: Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to reappoint Craig Nelson to the Planning Commission Board. All ayes. Motion carried.
- ii. Don "Buck" Peterson – Board of Review (alternate): Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve Don "Buck" Peterson as an alternate for the Board of Review. All ayes. Motion carried.

ROAD SIGN – FOUR LAKES DRIVE: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the road sign request from Randy Vesely. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to authorize Randy Vesely's request to place a road sign on the corner of Idlewild Road and Four Lakes Drive. All ayes. Motion carried.

ICECA ANNUAL ASSESSMENT: Discussion held. A legal agreement needs to be in place before the Township can go forward with paying the request from ICECA.

GIS SYSTEM – USE BY COUNTY: Supervisor Kenney updated the Board on a meeting he recently had with the County.

CEMETERY AGREEMENT – CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS: Supervisor Kenney reviewed. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to authorize the agreement with the City of Crystal Falls and pay the invoice in the amount of \$8,624.64. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

HALL RENTALS: Discussion held. Will continue no hall rental at this time and revisit in a few months.

CHANGE SEPTEMBER MEETING DATE – 9/14/2021 TO 9/7/2021: Move the regular monthly meeting to Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 2 p.m. Motion by Seppala, supported by Niemi to move the September regular monthly meeting from September 14, 2021 to September 8, 2021 at 2 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to convene into Executive session to discuss the consideration of acquisitions of real property. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Entered Executive session at 3:04 p.m.

Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to close out of Executive session and reconvene into regular monthly meeting. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Executive session was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to direct our Attorney to proceed as discussed in Executive session. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$61,890.08, the Monthly's for \$32,652.28 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$95,277.06. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Zach Hautala mentioned there will be a Run, Walk, Roll, a free community wellness event on Sunday, August 15th at 11 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: Trustee Kut noted about the recycling increase.

ADJOURN: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

