

October 13, 2021

A regular monthly meeting was held on October 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Joanne Seppala was absent. All other board members present. There were 8 public attendees. Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to approve the agenda with the removal of 11D.) Executive session – real estate acquisition. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from September 8, 2021. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: Kim Nylund had questions and concerns regarding the Fire Station.

PRESENTATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS: Reviewed Library minutes and financial statements from Director Evelyn Gathu. Reviewed ICECA September 2021 Report. Included in the report are the August 2021 financials.

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

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Fire Chief Steven Fabbri was present for the meeting and gave a verbal report for the month of September.

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

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

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

FIRE STATION UPDATE: Attorney Tinti gave the Board updates from the State of Michigan on progress regarding Fire Tower Road location and stipulations on other possible location. Discussions were held regarding questions and concerns about the process of acquiring land.

HALL SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS: Reviewed final invoice from Carey Contracting.

- i. Carey invoice: Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to issue the final pay request in the amount of \$6,506.82 to Carey Contracting. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

CRYSTAL FALLS CITY SEWER PROJECT: Robb Anderson from GEI informed the Board there is no update at this time. Waiting for the City to complete their audit.

IRON BELLE TRAIL: Robb Anderson from GEI reviewed with the Board the preliminary cost estimate, phase 2 preliminary planning and design summary and stated he would provide the hard copy plans that are available electronically to the Board.

WATER SYSTEM AFFORDABILITY AND PLANNING GRANT (AP GRANT): Robb Anderson stated the grant process is started.

LIND ROAD CLEANUP UPDATE – ATTORNEY: Attorney Tinti updated the Board. Foreclosure is underway. Discussion held.

ICECA AGREEMENT/ASSESSMENT: Supervisor Kenney will be meeting with Mark Bromley to finalize the agreement with ICECA.

APPOINTMENT OF MABAS REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT AND ALTERNATE (FIRE):

- i. Dennis Mitchell – Representative: Discussion held.
- ii. Steven Fabbri – Alternate: Discussion held.

Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to appoint Dennis Mitchell as representative and Steven Fabbri as alternate to the MABAS board. All ayes. Motion carried.

EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – BLUE CROSS: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to renew the Blue Cross Blue Shield Employee Health Plan. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

IRON COUNTY LAKES AND STREAMS PARTNERSHIP MEMBERSHIP: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to participate and become members with the Iron County Lakes and Streams Partnership. All ayes. Motion carried.

NMPSA MEMBERSHIP: Discussion held. Consensus is not to join.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION: No Executive Session.

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$85,839.32, the Monthly's for \$94,536.45 and the EFT's for \$1,102.05 with a total of \$181,477.82. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mary Dumitru appreciated the changes with the recycling. Tom Bucek would like to hold a CPR and AED Training class for Township employees in December. He would like to look at the Trailer Court Lot for the Fire Hall.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: Supervisor Kenney received a call about a water testing issue. He will keep the Board posted. Trustee Kut wondering about grant money that is available for Township projects.

ADJOURN: Motion by Ketola, supported by Niemi to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

