

May 10, 2023

A regular monthly meeting was held immediately following the Public Hearing on May 9, 2023 at 2:43 p.m. All board members were present. There were 14 public attendees. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the agenda with no additions. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from April 11, 2023, Executive session minutes from May 2, 2023 and Special meeting minutes from May 2, 2023. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** No public comments.

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

Reviewed ICECA report and financial statements provided by Chamber Director, Zach Hautala.

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

**FIRE CHIEF REPORT:** Reviewed the Fire Chief's report for the month of April.

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

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

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:** GEI will rebid the Fire Station Project in July/August of this year.

**MASTER PLAN ZONING MAP UPDATE:** Reviewed proposal for updates to the Township's Zoning Map from GEI.

- i. Consideration of Proposal: Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept GEI proposal to update the Township's Zoning Map GL #101-722-900-000 in the amount of \$500. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**SPARK GRANT APPLICATION – TIER 7:** Review our application with GEI and resubmit prior to June 26<sup>th</sup> deadline. Discussion held.

**MICHIGAN EGLE SRF DRINKING WATER:** Discussion was held on the presentation that was presented by GEI during the public hearing.

- i. Consideration of resolution to approve plan and submit application: Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the project plan and submit the application and authorize Supervisor Kenney to represent the Township. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**MDNR TRUST FUND GRANT UPDATE:** Supervisor Kenney reviewed. Discussion held.

**FIRE CONTRACTS:** Tabled.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – PROPERTY LITIGATION:** Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to convene into Executive session to discuss property litigation that the Township is currently involved in. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Entered Executive session at 3:05 p.m.

Motion by Kut, 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 3:17 p.m.

Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to proceed with the Township Attorney's opinion to hire law firm Dickinson Wright and contact them and authorize Supervisor Kenney to be the representative for the Township. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**CEMETERY AGREEMENT:** Reviewed agreement. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the Cemetery agreement with the City of Crystal Falls. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**GIBSON LAKE CAMPING RATES:** Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to maintain the camping rates at Gibson Lake Park the same as 2022 year. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**CONFIRM FIRE OFFICERS:** Fire Officers – 23/24 year: Confirmed Steven Fabbri – Chief, Kim Nylund – Assistant Chief, Jim Sartori – Captain, Tom Bucek – Training Officer, Dan Surface – Safety Officer, Brian Fabbri – Secretary/Treasurer. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to confirm the officers as reported in the Fire Chief's report. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REVIEW OF PRIOR MONTH BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY:** Total amount \$170,202.31.

**REVIEW OF CURRENT BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY:** Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the prepaid's in the amount of \$174,540.48, the Monthly's for \$25,929.17 and the EFT's for \$591.60 with a total of \$201,061.25. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Theresa Gasaway has concerns about the condition of the road to her house. Question on the revised Zoning Ordinance. Jim Brey stated he thought there was an agreement between Stambaugh Township and Crystal Falls Township. Jill Brey wondering how long the Township Supervisor has been in office.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE:** None.

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

