

October 10, 2024

A regular monthly meeting was held on October 8, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. All board members were present. There were 7 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda with no additions. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from September 10, 2024. 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 provided by Chamber Director, Zach Hautala.

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

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

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

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

CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER: Reviewed the Code Compliance Officer's report from 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: Supervisor Kenney updated the Board. The remainder of the contract with Immel is \$94,604.49 which is the retainage on the job. Discussion held.

- i. Approval of invoices/construction draw - Immel: Reviewed Contractor's Application for Payment from Immel Construction in the amount of \$88,670.57 and additional reimbursement of GEI bills in the amount of \$52,673.76. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve payment to Immel Construction for the Fire Station in the amount of \$88,670.57 and additional reimbursement of GEI bills in the amount of \$52,673.76. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.
- ii. Potential Change Order – Immel: Reviewed Change Order No. 4. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve Change Order No. 4 in the amount of \$6,476.07. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.
- iii. Snowplowing: Snowplowing and shoveling for the new Fire Station is out on bid.
- iv. Open House/Ribbon Cutting: Supervisor Kenney is beginning to prepare a listing of people to invite for an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Fire Station. No date has been set.

LIND ROAD CLEAN-UP: Supervisor Kenney updated the Board. Discussion held.

MDNR TRUST FUND GRANT: Discussion held.

TMF SUPPORT Grant: Reviewed Change Order NO. 2 Summary for additional work. Grant funding is available. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the additional work for 23 properties to be done in the amount of \$32,766.30 for Ryan's Excavating and \$3,000 for GEI Consultants. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

DWSRF WATER PROJECT: Not successful in getting the DWSRF Water Project funded.

GARBAGE SERVICE: Garbage survey to be sent out to Township residents. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to advertise the garbage survey on WIKB, Township website, and the Iron County Reporter. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SECURITY SYSTEM: Reviewed report. Discussion held.

UB CLERK RECOMMENDATION: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept the applicant, Rebecca Grandahl for the UB Clerk position beginning in October. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL: Reviewed renewal of health insurance. Motion by Seppala, supported by Niemi to approve the renewal column on the health insurance commencing December 1, 2024. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SEWER RATE INCREASE: Reviewed letter from City of Crystal Falls, City Manager Gerard Valesano in regard to sewer rate increase.

NEW SICK TIME LEGISLATION: Supervisor Kenney will ask Attorney Tinti to review the changes in the law. Discussion held.

MICHIGAN REVENUE SHARING: Reviewed the information from the State of Michigan, Department of Treasury.

REVIEW OF CURRENT BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the prepaid's in the amount of \$127,979.13, the Monthly's for \$51,417.69 and the EFT's for \$1,346.70 with a total of \$180,743.52. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Bob Black concerns about the security system. Tom Bucek wondering if the security system for the new Fire Station is on the list. Zach Hautala asked if there were any questions on his report. Kent Premo had questions about the current garbage service cost.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: Supervisor Kenney reminded don't forget to vote in the upcoming Election. Trustee Kut wondering if there were any comments about the new Zoning amendments.

ADJOURN: Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

