

CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

April 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Dave Mattson

PRESENT: Lynn Gierke, Kelly Holmes, Ryan Kuntze, Dave Mattson, and Dan Palosaari

MINUTES: March minutes were approved per motion by Ryan Kuntze, support by Dave Mattson. M/C

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report was approved per motion by Dan Palosaari, support by Lynn Gierke. The treasurer's report and the clerk's financial report are attached to the minutes. M/C

AGENDA: Motion by Kelly Holmes to approve agenda, supported by Ryan Kuntze. M/C

PAYMENT OF BILLS: The payment of bills was approved per motion by Dan Palosaari, supported by Kelly Holmes. M/C

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Carolyn Tormala-wanted to know how to find out how much is in the Township Road Fund. She would like to know when the Township will do something about dirt portion of N. Entry Road? Keith Meyers of the PC Committee said that a Road Sub-Committee has been formed and they will be meeting with Kevin Harju on Monday to discuss roads. Randy McClullan asked if 6th and Hancock Streets will be looked at this year? Derrick Verran-would also like Boundary Rd. reviewed. Keith Meyers also mentioned that the PC committee will be working on the trail authority and will see if Boundary Rd. can be discussed. Dave Mattson said that the township can only spend up to 25% for any work on Boundary Rd.

Carolyn Tormala also provided information to the board about legislation-House Bill 4220 about Mini Cell Phone Towers. Keith Meyers stated that the Chassell Historical Organization has been working with the National Park Service on a grant. Phase 1 will for accessibility into Heritage Center with the addition of an entrance ramp. Phase 2 will be for an elevator inside the building.

CORRESPONDENCE: N/R

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Judson reported 2 call, 6 to date. One call was a dog and deer ice rescue! The gear from the 2/3/18 accident has been cleaned and returned. First Responders reported 3 call, 15 to date.

TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE: Joe Youngman reported that Tim Viola installed a light on the flagpole last week. They are working on a letter to the water/sewer customers to eliminate sump pump water into sewer. Girards were contacted and water leak will be fixed after MISS DIG flags.

ZONING: N/R

PLANNING COMMISSION (PC): The 5 year Rec Plan was submitted to DNR. The plan is posted on the website and with link on FB. The Portage Health Foundation grant for the Dog Park/Historical Interpretation Trail was denied. Keith Meyers said he will continue to work on interpretative trail with MTU Industrial Archeology students and Chassell School. He would like to create a "Sign Adoption" program and advertise on FB and website. Dan Crane from UPPCO will talk to Asphland about having area mulch used for trail project.

Melanie Watkins from Portage Township PC attending PC meeting to discuss the Trail Authority and connecting to our trail system. Dave Mattson said to make sure the township will have representation on the authority board if we pursue. Keith Meyers is also working on DNR Grant at Sturgeon River, location of recent accident, for a canoe/kayak/small boat launch on north side of river. Chassell Mercantile-all bills and hours need to be tracked by the office and PC. Fencing and No Trespassing sign installed.

ASSESSOR: N/R

WEBSITE: Lynn Gierke continues to update as needed.

UPEA REPORT: Chris Holmes had a rough estimate for adding water to homes, one mile north of Lakeshore Dr., on the lake side of \$800,000. The rate increase would be \$8-9/month. He discussed the options for adding sewer and upgrades to lift stations and sewage lagoon. First Phase~900,000 to 1 million to include new main lift station and lagoon for extra capacity. Rate increase would be \$10-11/month. Discussion proceeded about possible air pockets in the force main and what to do. UPEA will report next meeting. Applications with USDA take about 2-3 months to complete. New rates need to be in place before going to bid. Next water/sewer billing include note about rate increases and meeting change. Groundwater wells at lagoon-DEQ needs plans and work started this summer. This project would not be part of the above mentioned upgrades.

OLD BUSINESS:

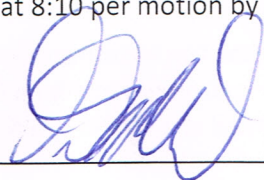
1. Boat Launch Repairs-Joe Youngman will contact Laser North for update on dock
2. WM contract-N/R
3. DPW pickup-Motion by Dave Mattson to purchase new pickup from Northern Auto, Hancock, MI for \$26,800, supported by Kelly Holmes. M/C. Joe Youngman will contact Northern Auto.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review Budget-Tabled.
2. Hot Water Heater-Ryan Kuntze received one bid for \$700 to install 50 gallon gas hot water heater by Martie's Heating. Motion by Dave Mattson to accept bid, supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C.

Discussed to move the May meeting, due to conflict from Wed. 5/9 to Thurs. 5/10 at 7 pm.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 per motion by Dan Palosaari, supported by Dave Mattson. M/C

Dave Mattson, Supervisor



Lynn Gierke, Clerk

