

**CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**  
**January 9, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Dave Mattson

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

**MINUTES:** December minutes were approved per motion by Ryan Kuntze, support by Kelly Holmes. M/C

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The November and December treasurer's report was approved by Dan Palosaari, supported by Ryan Kuntze. 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 Dan Palosaari. M/C

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** no comments

**CORRESPONDENCE:** letter from Julie Meyers about open burning of trash. Dave Mattson suggested including notice in Water Sewer bill and on website about local burning ordinance and state regulations against burning household waste.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Fire Chief Judson reported 1 call for 2019 and 29 for 2018. Recommendation to add new member Eli Jensen to FD. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C. Christmas party scheduled for 1/26/19. First Responders reported 3 calls for 2019 and 74 for 2018.

**TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE:** **Truck Snow Plow-**used Boss plow at dealer, available \$6500 with 2 year warranty, with mounting. Brand new would cost \$600 more. No action. **Kokkonen property-**Bay Electric no report. Joe Youngman reported that a mechanical check valve could be put in sewer line. When Tim Viola asked Bobby Kokkonen if he would be agreeable to this short term measure, he said no. Dave Mattson made motion to add mechanical check valve in sewer line, if in right of way, supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C

**ZONING:** No new permits to report.

**PLANNING COMMISSION (PC):** Brian Waters reported that the DNR is conducting a **Recreation Grant Workshop** in Baraga, Jan. 16 from 9-12. 2-3 PC members will attend. **Zoning Ordinance Review:** Brian Waters, Keith Meyers, Doug Hamar and Ericka Malone are meeting on Mondays at noon at Magnuson Hotel to review the Zoning Ordinance. Revisions are posted on the website. Brian Waters reported that at the 2018 General Election Chassell Township voters, voted 380-yes and 570-no on Proposal 18-1. Currently 62 communities in the UP have opted out to allow Recreational Marijuana facilities.

**PC recommends the Board to adopt a resolution to opt out.** Dave Mattson reported that information from MTA recommends not to do anything until someone wants to apply for permit. Joe Youngman asked if the proposed Sturgeon River Park is in the **Recreation Plan?** Brian Waters reported that it was not listed specifically. Joe asked if anyone was working on the Centennial Park boardwalk which is currently blocked off? Keith Meyers reported that the DNR Passport Grant would be a good candidate

for work with the Interpretive Trail/Dog park which could include boardwalk repairs. It is estimated that the millage will generate \$27,500 per year and could be used for match money with the grant. Discussion. In Spring look at cost to repair boardwalk. Chris Holmes asked if Rec Plan was approved last year? Look at deadline to see if the date should be amended.

**ASSESSOR:** Board of Review met on December 13 from 5-7 pm at the Fire Hall.

**WEBSITE:** Continue to update with current events & meetings.

**UPEA REPORT:** Chris Holmes reported that the flows are slowing down and will remove meters by end of next week and finalize I & I Report. Next step is to talk to Rural Development about Phase 1 Project-Lagoon and 2 lift station upgrades. Rate increases should increase quarterly. Discussion about culvert at Lakeshore Dr. Talk to lawyer if we should take over that section from HCRC? If so, then fix culvert ourselves.

**REVIEW BUDGET:** Next month send to board via email the budget to review and discuss for March meeting and end of fiscal year.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. DPW Position- no report. Maybe repost position.
2. Garbage Truck-need pictures and description of truck to post on eBay.
3. Sturgeon Boat Launch Engineering Study funding-Keith Meyers described the project. Dan Palosaari made motion to support resolution for engineering study up to \$5,000, supported by Dave Mattson. 5 Aye's, 0 Nays. M/C. See attached. Dave Mattson made motion to approve RFP, supported by Ryan Kuntze. M/C

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. PLM Jason Broekstra presentation with Q/A (7:50-8:35).
2. Eurasian Water Milfoil Special Assessment District-Public Hearing to review the special assessment roll, to consider any objections thereto, and to confirm the roll as submitted or revised or amended. Public Hearing closed at 8:45 pm. Dave made motion to confirm resolution for the SAD District supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C
3. Cemetery Sign-a quote from Elite Sign Company submitted to board by Craig Austin Cemetery Sexton. Dan Palosaari made motion to purchase sign for \$545 (5' 6") supported by Dave Mattson. M/C. Board asked if Elite Sign would be willing to make 2 small signs for free?

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm, per motion by Dave Mattson, supported by Lynn Gierke. M/C

Dave Mattson, Supervisor  Lynn Gierke, Clerk 