

CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
October 9, 2019

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

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

MINUTES: Motion by Ryan Kuntze to approve the September, support by Dan Palosaari. M/C

TREASURER'S REPORT: The September treasurer's report was approved by Dave Mattson, 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, supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: **Jail Task Force Committee**-Jim Tervo, Chassell representative reported how the recommendation for the County Jail came about. **Boundary Road**-Derrick Verron reported that the culvert next to his partially collapsed. Speaking with Ray Saatio from Portage Township reported that FEMA did give them money for only parts of Boundary Rd. and hopes the townships can work together to get the road fixed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Copy of letter from attorney Nick Daavettila to the Circuit Court Clerk to file a Motion for Entry of Default Judgment for court case against Vulaj.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Judson reported 2 calls, 17 to date, both accidents. Over \$600,000-\$1 Million in donated gear went to 20 local fire departments on 9/28/19. Channel 3 TV covered the event. The fire department will go to Chassell School next week for Fire Prevention Week. The department received extrication tools and will train the department in the Spring. First Responders reported 10 calls, 80 to date. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Dan Palosaari to accept applicant Wanda Walitalo, who is already trained as an EMT. M/C.

TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE: Cole Smith reported that barricades will be put on **Old 41 Bridge** to be moved by DP. **Culvert by Old Ice Rink** on Hancock St. is blocked and needs additional cleaning by county. **Cemetery**-Superior Tree Farm has not started the seeding project. Wait till Spring. Motion by Lynn Gierke supported by Dave Mattson to spend up to \$1,000 for 2 windows in the Fire Hall. M/C.

ZONING: N/R

PLANNING COMMISSION (PC): **Dale Peterson** reported on the HCRC Meeting, from September 3 weeks ago. **Supervisor Meeting**-Dave Mattson reported no meeting yet. **Boundary Rd. improvements** FEMA has allocated money to Boundary but there may be additional funding. HCRC wants to sit down with both Portage and Chassell Township Supervisors to discuss costs. Portage Township is looking at a Road Millage. **Massie Rd.**-FEMA still needs to determine what they will cover. **Lake Shore Dr.**-HCRC is waiting to hear from Chassell Township. **Hamar & Chassell Painesdale**-culvert being replaced. **Old 41 Bridge**-Kevin Harju will try to get background info for us. **Pilgrim River Bridge**-completion by Nov. 1st. **Pot Holes** by VFW, etc.-HCRC will look into. **Keith Meyers** reported that the Fitness Trail is coming together. A big thank you to Jim Tervo for getting the equipment to the trail. Volunteers have helped at 2 "work-bees" getting equipment in place. **Portage Health Foundation-Community Wellness & Outdoor Recreation Grant** received. The grant will provide new signage for both ski trail access points, will use GPS to map the trail system and website software upgrade. Chassell School woodshop will work on direction signage. **Old Ice Rink**-DPW and Severi Haajata removed old boards. PC requesting to use old rink for parking lot. Driveway entrance needs to be worked. Look for grant to salvage the old warming building. Public Hearing for Draft Zoning Ordinance, November 11, 6 pm at the Fire Hall. After reviewing the ordinance the PC only has 9 members which includes one board member. Therefore all seats are now filled.

ASSESSOR: N/R

WEBSITE: N/R

UPEA REPORT: N/R

REVIEW BUDGET: Motion by Lynn Gierke supported by Dan Palosaari to increase Parks and Recreation 101-750-730 from \$2,000 to \$20,000 and 101-750-980 from \$4,000 to \$17,275 and revenue will need to be adjusted for Portage Health Grant. M/C.

PIKE BAY COMMITTEE: Aquatic Vegetation Assessment Survey (AVAS) by PLM on website.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Cemetery Ordinance-N/R
- B. Garbage Truck and Pickup truck -Pickup Truck sold for \$3600. One bid received for Garbage Truck for \$501. Motion by Dan Palosaari supported by Ryan Kuntze to accept bid. M/C
- C. Half Moon Drainage/Road Repair Issue-Road repair at Engle/Manderfield location, done by owners. Keep drainage ditching on agenda-trees cut.
- D. Lake Shore Culvert/Sewer line issue-Need contractor to do work.
- E. Water Meter Replacement Township Wide-Tabled. Specs from UPEA.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Cole Insurance-He will now have medical insurance with wife. Motion by Dave Palosaari supported by Dave Mattson to increase Cole's hourly wage by \$2/hour for not using township for medical insurance. M/C.
- B. Retirement Contributions-the township account will stay with Burnham & Flower for now.
- C. DP-Bucket Truck-Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Lynn Gierke to accept donation of Bucket Truck (value approx. \$2500) with stipulation that DP can borrow if needed. M/C

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm, per motion by Dave Mattson, supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C

Dave Mattson, Supervisor _____ Lynn Gierke, Clerk _____