

**CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**  
**January 8, 2020**

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

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

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

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The December treasurer's report was approved by Dave Mattson, supported by Lynn Gierke. The treasurer's report and the clerk's financial report are attached to the minutes. M/C

**AGENDA:** Motion by Dan Palosaari with addition of New Business, F. NRCS Grant, supported by Lynn Gierke. M/C

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** no comments.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Bridge Fest is requesting a donation-No. UPSET-requesting support. Suggest that they come to a meeting to explain request. HCRC 5 Year Plan-Planning Commission member Pete Torola will be attending. FEMA map added to Website. Chris Holmes informed group that Public Assistance Funding will be used to fund the Massie Rd. parts not included with FEMA funding. Dave Mattson will ask Kevin Harju. DPW received a complaint of burning around 1st Street, within the city limits. Dave Mattson will contact the constable to check into the situation.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Fire Chief Judson reported 21 calls for 2019 and 2 calls to date for 2020. First Responders reported 100 calls for 2019 and 6 calls to date for 2020.

**TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE:** The Ice Rink has been flooded, sign up sheet available, heat and water in shack working. The Holder is back in service. Bucket Truck-the ISD is booked till the end of the school year. Check to see if Chassell School to repair the breaks.

**ZONING:** One sign permit for Dollar General.

**PLANNING COMMISSION (PC):** Please read PC minutes for more information on chassell.net.

**Highlights-**Vulaj property-Final Judgement received for \$5500. Letter sent to owner to pay or will go to collection. Community Building moving forward. TEAM Peninsula-working on Houghton Co. Trail Authority. Working with Dave Nelson-MTU about senior design projects for data collection in area for future projects. Meeting this week with Traverse Engineering on Kayak .

**ASSESSOR:** N/R

**WEBSITE:** N/R

**UPEA REPORT:** Chris Holmes reported that they did some soil borings at the lagoon to find out where the water level is. This is for the DNR Monitoring Well Report. A minimum of 4 wells are required and will install 3-1" pizimeters to find the direction of groundwater flow. They are 50% done and plan to be ready with USDA grant application in February.

**REVIEW BUDGET:** N/R

**PIKE BAY COMMITTEE:** Discussion about "uniform sampling standard" for future surveys.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Cemetery Ordinance-table
- B. Water Meter Replacement Township Wide-table

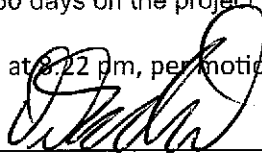
**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. DPW Garbage Position-Motion by Dan Palosaari to hire Craig Austion to fill the position, at \$12/hour supported by Lynn Gierke. M/C.
- B. Resolution to Eliminate Constable position-discussion-Motion by Dan Palosaari to accept the presented resolution to eliminate the township constable position effective November 2020 supported by Ryan Kuntze. All Ayes. Absent-Kelly Holmes. Resolution passed.

- C. Resolution to establish salary of elected official-discussion-Motion by Dave Mattson to accept the presented resolution to increase the clerk salary from \$12,000 to \$14,000 per year supported by Dan Palosaari. Resolution passed.
- D. Schedule Public Hearing for Zoning Ordinance-on Feb. 12 at 6:30 pm before regular Board Meeting. Brian Waters will put up flyers in Post Office and Bank. Lynn Gierke will put in Gazette.
- E. Transportation meeting Jan. 14-Stanton Twp.-Dan Palosaari will attend the meeting.
- F. NRCS Grant-Chris Holmes and Dave Mattons attended meeting with the NRCS today. The township will receive \$65,250 for 5 projects to help with flood prevention. There is a 25% match or \$16,312 cost for township. Chris Holmes will work with Lynn Gierke to get paperwork turned in and apply for an extension. Motion by Dave Matton supported by Lynn Gierke that Chassell Township approves moving forward with the NRCS project (Western UP Flash Flooding of July 2018). The total project of \$65,250, Chassell commits to a match of \$16,312. Chassell also asks for an extension of 60 days on the project deadline. M/C

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm, per motion by Dave Mattson, supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C

Dave Mattson, Supervisor



Lynn Gierke, Clerk

