

**CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
December 9, 2020**

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: Motion by Dave Mattson to approve the November minutes, supported by Ryan Kuntze. M/C

TREASURER'S REPORT: The November 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 Kelly Holmes to approve the agenda, supported by Dave Mattson. M/C

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Roy Britz-County Commissioner asked the board if they had any comments about the proposed RFP for the sale or transfer of the Houghton County Transfer Station?

CORRESPONDENCE: Houghton Keweenaw 4-H Council if the Township wants an ad in the 2021 Platbook for \$200. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Kelly Holmes to approve. M/C.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief Judson reported 0 calls and 26 year to date. He also reported that the FD is "rebranding" itself as of Jan. 1st and will be called Chassell Volunteer Fire & Rescue. They are applying to become a 501 (c)(3) for grant purposes. The FD is covering for the Tapiola FD for the next 2 weeks because of a COVID exposure. First Responder report by Fire Chief Judson 5 calls and 109 year to date.

TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE: Cole Smith reported that the new Ski Trails signs have been installed. Next week the Porta Potty will be at the ice rink. Last lagoon was dumped. Recorded 10-12 metal dumpster pickups to date and \$0 received from Ed's Salvage. Green Burial Cemetery Expanded by 15 more plots.

ZONING: N/R

PLANNING COMMISSION (PC): Brian Waters reported that one applicant for PC opening, TJ Palosaari. Term ends August 2021. Currently is renting in Chassell. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Dan Palosaari. M/C. To date there have been 58 responses for the Road Survey using Survey Monkey. Keith Meyers thanked the DPW for helping install the ski trail signs! Baraga Telephone Co. will attend their next meeting to talk about High Speed Broadband for areas not served in Chassell. Chris Holmes reported the kayak launch design will be completed in 1-2 weeks.

ASSESSOR: The Board of Review will meet December 15th from 5-7 pm at the Fire Hall.

WEBSITE: New Ski trail map with google link added.

UPEA REPORT: Chris Holmes reported that the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) reported confusion about the sewer project application and report not completed. They will work on it ASAP. Lagoon test wells-too wet to drill, will try when ground freezes up. Hazardous Mitigation Grant-updated application and resubmitted. NRCS Grant-apply for extension for construction 12/31/2021. Drinking Water Asset Management (DWAM)-deadline 1/1/2021. Will work with Cole Smith on application.

REVIEW BUDGET: Dave Mattson recommends the following budget amendments supported by Kelly Holmes. M/C

GL Number	Original	Amended
101-000-580 (PHF Grant)	11,521	20,000
101-191-730 (Election-Supplies)	1,600	3,200
101-191-801 (Election-Contracted Services)	2,000	3,500
101-191-900 (Printing & Publishing)	1,000	250
101-850-800 (Other-Audit)	9,000	9,500
101-850-900 (Other-refunds)	100	600
101-850-956 (Other-Misc.)	300	900

PIKE BAY COMMITTEE: N/R

OLD BUSINESS:

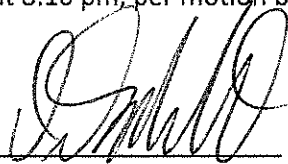
- A. Water Meter Replacement-250 meters installed. Aire Care is taking pictures inside and out for records. Will need to order a few more meters. Per bid Aire Care should be "substantially" complete by 12/15/2020 and complete by 1/15/2021.
- B. Improvements to boat launch, parking lot, floating dock-N/R
- C. Pavilion Improvements-Cole Smith reported that new hockey nets have been installed. Ryan Kuntze says work on the old rink will be after March 2021.
- D. Emergency services vehicle grant-N/R

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Fire Hall Energy Incentive Program-Ericka Malone of OHM presented to the board information about the application. The program provides up to \$15,000 for implementing energy efficiency upgrades that could include the following for the fire hall-reinsulate, replace all exterior doors, and replace two furnaces. The Completion date is July 31, 2021. OHM fees will be \$2,000 if the township is granted the award. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Lynn Gierke. M/C.
- B. WM Contract Renews 2/28/2022-determine options before termination notice is due 8/2021.
- C. 2021 UP Blood Drive Schedule-Motion by Dave Mattson approved by Kelly Holmes the use of the Fire Hall for blood drives on Feb 1, April 5, June 14, Aug. 23 and Nov. 1. M/C.
- D. Quit Claim Deed for Old Community Center-Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Kelly Holmes to approve Lynn Gierke to sign on behalf of the township. M/C

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

Dave Mattson, Supervisor



Lynn Gierke, Clerk

