

CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
August 11, 2021

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

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

MINUTES: Motion by Dan Palosaari to approve the July minutes, supported by Dave Mattson. M/C

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

AGENDA: Motion by Kelly Holmes to accept the agenda supported by Lynn Gierke. M/C

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: N/A

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Portage Health Foundation thanking the township for \$1000 donation to UPSET. Email from Thomas Zito about easement behind 41861 S. Hancock St. not being accessible. Lynn Gierke reported that the DPW has taken care of this.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Lynn Gierke reported that the Fire Department had 1 call with 16 to date and First Responders 8 calls with 64 to date.

TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE: Cole Smith reported 98 MISS DIG calls and 350 to date. The pickup needs new tires. Dave Mattson motion to accept quote from Keweenaw Automotive for tires, supported by Kelly Holmes. M/C. The Main Lift Station is having issues. Chris Holmes will check with Rural Development to see if the lift station can get a bid out ASAP and upgraded this year. Water leak on Marinette St. fixed that was leaking 75,000 gallons/day. Dan Palosaaari asked Cole Smith to check the Fire Hall roof to see if seal screws are leaking.

ZONING: N/R

PLANNING COMMISSION (PC): Brian Waters recommends the following PC Members terms be renewed for 3 years-Steve Spahn, Dale Petersen, and TJ Palosaari. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Dan Palosaari to renew the terms. M/C. Dale Petersen gave a report on the current construction on roads. Also reported that he contacted UPPCO about a burnt-out light at US 41 and N. Entry. Dan Palosaari reported that this year's dust control application was from ditch to ditch in some locations and that might be the reason that there wasn't enough. Keith Meyers reported that the board proceed with ticketing the Chassell Mercantile property owners and seek judgement with misdemeanor charges. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Ryan Kuntze to move forward with legal action against the owners of the Chassell Mercantile property. The PC has been advised by the Township Insurance to add the easement owned by Doug Hamar to the policy that will be used by the Historical Interpretive Trail. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Dan Palosaari to add liability coverage for easement owned by Doug Hamar to township liability policy. M/C. See PC minutes for more details.

ASSESSOR: N/R

WEBSITE: N/R

UPEA REPORT: Chris Holmes reported that the bid opening for 3 of the NRCS projects was Monday and there were no bids. He will ask Amy at NRCS if the township can apply for an extension till July 2022 and include all 4 projects. The DNR has suggested that the township have a "Use agreement for 50 years" with Clayton Adams instead of easement for water and sewer lines. The board asked UPEA to do what needs to be done. Monitoring wells at the lagoons will be completed soon.

REVIEW BUDGET: N/R

PIKE BAY COMMITTEE: Discussion about treatment of the bay this year for milfoil. Motion by Dave Mattson supposed by Ryan Kuntze to not treat this year. M/C.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Improvements to boat launch, parking lot, pavilion-new picnic tables, curtains, garbage cans-PC will look into creating an RFP for the project. Discussion about pavilion curtains-look at Roll Seal that

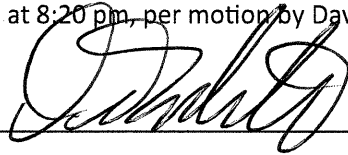
- Walmart uses in the garden section year-round. Kelly Holmes will research garbage cans for the park.
- B. SNB Building Updates-Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Kelly Holmes to purchase the SNB building for \$170,000. M/C.
 - C. Community Center Commercial Rehabilitation Tax Application-submitted electronically 8/6/21
 - D. CEM-Insulation completed-Grant application and rebate for insulation submitted. Look at other rebates for lighting at the Fire Hall and SNB building.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Old Dump-there still are issues with the area not being used for yard waste. If not resolved the area will be closed to all residents.
- B. Garbage-Tim Palosaari discussed with WM for the township to use 3-8 yard dumpsters instead of the 35 yd. compactor. Board agreed to try and see if this will work for the township.
- C. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)-application submitted on 7/21/21.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm, per motion by Dave Mattson supported by Ryan Kuntze. M/C

Dave Mattson, Supervisor



Lynn Gierke, Clerk

