CHASSELL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING November 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Dave Mattson

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: The October 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 supported by Lynn Gierke to approve the agenda. M/C

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

<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>: Keith Meyers acknowledged the excellent exterior painting by DP Construction at the Chassell Historical Organization building. Also, he mentioned that a 3.3 Mil USDA reconnect grant was received by Baraga Telephone Company to bring fiber to rural Chassell. BTC thanked Chassell for their letter of support on their grant application.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u> Letter received from the Chassell Improvement Association with schedule of events for the 41st Old Fashioned Christmas celebration December 7-10.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: First Responder Director Dylan Malone reported the Fire Department (FD) had 1 call with 27 to date. The First Responders (FR) had 6 calls, 107 to date. They have a new volunteer Blaec Rowden for approval to join. Motion by Dave Mattson supported by Dan Palosaari to accept the volunteer. M/C. Dylan Malone asked if the board would repair leaking windows and the main entrance at the Fire Hall? Lynn Gierke made a motion to approve \$5000 from the General Fund for FH repairs. Motion died for lack of a second. Board asked Dylan Malone to come up with a price for improvements.

<u>TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE:</u> Cole Smith reported that the Anderson Lift Station, Pump 2 is having electrical issues tonight. Bay Electric will come in the morning to repair it. The Main Lift Station, Pump 1 is having issues too. New Sewer Jetter is working well. Park is closed for the season. Water Plant Road needs gravel. One quote for repairs received for \$3300. Board said to order gravel and use new skid steer when it arrives. DPW Truck evaporation system was not working, it would not allow gas to be pumped into the gas tank. After the repair the check fuel cap light came on. Northern Auto was contacted and the truck was returned for repairs. Recommended that the board sell the current truck and plow (2018) and purchase new. McCoy, the distributor for the new skid steer, can't get the John Deere model originally ordered. They will substitute with an equivalent brand that is of same or higher value.

ZONING: At the PC meeting Tim Palosaari reported that an REA Tower was being installed at the South/West corner of Chassell Painesdale and Paradise to be used for meter readers. He contacted them and said a Zoning permit was required.

<u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u> (PC): Keith Meyers reported that the Remote Worker Networking event at MTU had over 100 people attend. Over 12, live in Chassell with a total of 140 in the Keweenaw. RFP for N. Hancock St. is on the website, deadline 12/15/22. Historic Trail work to be done before year end. AccuDock was contracted for launch at Sturgeon River. Dale Peterson reported the 2023 5 Year Plan recommended for the board is to

modify the following from the 2022 Plan-Remove Boundary Rd. Keep Massie Rd. on till complete. Bottom Section-update to say "Under discretion of Board/DPW. Lynn Gierke will have at the December meeting the 2023-5 Year Plan. Dale also requests that the HCRC meetings be attended December -February and to report to the PC and Board. Dylan Malone asked what can be done to prevent accidents on Chassell Painesdale Road? Suggestions possibly add rumble strips near end, have flashing light with STOP SIGN AHEAD", Flashing light at Chassell Painesdale and Paradise Road. Dave Mattson said he will contact the HCRC to discuss. For more PC details see minutes on website.

ASSESSOR: Board of Review meeting December 22, 2022 @ 5 pm at the Fire Hall.

WEBSITE: Update Dylan Malone's phone number.

<u>UPEA REPORT</u>: Chris Holmes was out of town and sent an email. The Preliminary Engineering Report for the park will be done by the end of the year. Danielson says the pumps are scheduled for mid-December. The control panel is further out. Chris is working with Danielson to see if there are options. Ditch for 4th Street is on hold until they get approval by Doug Hamar so the permit can be submitted. Dan Palosaari will contact Doug Hamar to see what can be done to complete the project this year.

REVIEW BUDGET: N/R
PIKE BAY COMMITTEE: N/R

CHASSELL OFFICE BUILDING ISSUES: N/R

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. ARPA Road Plan-Dale Peterson reported that the PC recommends the following roads to be repaired-N. Entry, Pike River Rd. and depending on funds available Klingville Rd. (spot work) or streets in town per the 2023-5 Year Plan. Dave Mattson will email HCRC.
- B. EGLE Clean Water Revolving Fund-Letter of Intent submitted October 31st for 2.3 Mil water system improvements.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Master Plan-The reading of the final draft will be at the December meeting.
- B. Dump bids, donation box at gate-DP will look over dump situation and will weld box to gate.
- C. Park engineering study-see UPEA Report
- D. Dog Park Fence-Motion by Dan Palosaari support by Dave Mattson to have JCS update the park fencing/gates. M/C.
- E. Office IT-Lynn Gierke has been in communication with REMC1-ISD about a possible solution for "cloud base" system and IT for the computers at the office, DPW and water plant. She will invite Hayley Sargent for the December meeting.
- F. Par Plan Grant-Lynn Gierke would like to apply for a grant for up to \$5K for fire extinguishers and FH cameras. Board approves by resolution to move forward. It was mentioned to include in grant a Manual Switch Control for FH. Dave suggested looking on eBay for a possible switch.
- G. Baraga Telephone Company-BTC-is reviewing options for a better system and Dave Mattson will have information for the December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8,78 pm, per motion by Dan Palosaari supported by Kelly Holmes. M/C

Dave Mattson, Supervisor Lynn Gierke, Clerk