

January 9, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on January 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members present. There were 6 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from December 11, 2018. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business F.) SQL Backup Program from BS&A. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report with the Board from the month of December. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to accept the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve Steve Vanderpool as a new volunteer firefighter member. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson informed the board that the water project fence issue is resolved. Final restoration will be completed in the spring. The Heritage Trail permits from MDOT and DEQ are in hand.

FPI/2000 FOLDER INSERTER: Discussion held.

SECURITY PLAN FOR ALL TOWNSHIP PROPERTY'S: Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini reported on having law enforcement come in and discuss a plan with Township personnel.

INDUSTRIAL PARK BUILDINGS: Discussion was held regarding the old buildings in the Industrial Park. Requests were made to take down the hay barn. A suggestion was made to bid out the removal of the hay barn.

INQUIRIES ABOUT TOWNSHIP CANNABIS FACILITY'S: Attorney Steve Tinti was present to inform the board and answer any questions regarding regulations and licenses from LARA. Curt Stebic was also present from the Planning Commission. Discussion held.

REQUEST PROPOSALS FOR DESIGNING EMERGENCY SERVICES BUILDING: Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini will request proposals for engineering plans for designing the facility.

SCHEDULE 2019/2020 BUDGET WORKSHOP: Supervisor Lesandrini will contact Scott Kenney to set a date for a Budget Workshop meeting.

PROPOSALS FROM VENDERS FOR AUDIT: Sealed proposals were opened and reviewed from CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen LLP) and Haukkala & Co.P.C. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to accept the low bid proposal from Haukkala & Co.P.C. for the amount of \$8,950.00 per year for the next 3 years. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SQL BACKUP PROGRAM FROM BS&A: Treasurer Ketola reported that there is a free online SQL Backup program from BS&A. Discussion held. Treasurer Ketola will go forward with BS&A to set up the online SQL Backup Program. **REPORTS:** No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: Discussion was held regarding Iron County Lakes and Streams Partnership membership. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve a contract for informational services to Iron County Lakes and Streams Partnership in the amount of \$100.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Trustee Kut informed the board that Curt Stebic's Planning and Zoning Commission term will expire in March 2019. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to reappoint Curt Stebic on the Planning and Zoning Commission board for the next 3 years. All ayes. Motion carried. The board thanks him for his past and future service.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chairman Dan Germic and Sue Clisch from the Iron County Road Commission were present and asked the board if they had any questions or concerns. Trustee Kut commented that she is impressed with the plowing on the sides of the roads.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$93,511.83, the Monthly's for \$6,936.97 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$101,183.50. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

January 31, 2019

A special budget workshop meeting for the 2019/2020 budget was held Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 8 a.m. Board members present were Tom Lesandrini, Diane Kut and Nancy Niemi. Absent were Jen Ketola and Joanne Seppala. There were no public attendees. The purpose of the workshop was to discuss and review the budget for the 2019/2020 fiscal year. Scott Kenney was present to review with the board the proposed budget for 2019/2020. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Lesandrini to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

February 27, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on February 26, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 8 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from January 8, 2019 and a special budget workshop meeting from January 30, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report with the Board from the month of January. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson updated the board on the Water Contract II Tank Project. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve Caldwell payment in the amount of \$5,415.00 and GEI fees for \$1,403.09 for a total of \$6,818.09. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussion held about replacing radios from Energenecs. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the additional work from Rural Development Water System Improvements Project in the amount of \$43,600.00 to cover radios and GEI engineering. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Robb informed the board that the bids for the hall improvement project are due on February, 27, 2019. Discussion was held regarding the Iron Belle Mini Grant request. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to apply to Iron Belle Mini Grant for an extension from Donahue Park to Bewabic State Park. All ayes. Motion carried.

UNPAID FIRE INVOICES: Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini brought to the board's attention about the unpaid fire invoices for 2018. A letter was sent to Attorney Steven Tinti along with a copy of the invoices asking him how to proceed.

PROPOSAL FROM PLANNING BOARD FOR CONSULTANT TO ASSIST ISSUES: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to contact Patrick Coleman from Firm North of 45 LLC. Forward current zoning book and issues and accept his willingness to meet with the board at no expense to the Township. All ayes. Motion carried.

TF17-0009 CRYSTAL FALLS TWP DNR AMENDMENT PAPERWORK: Robb Anderson informed the board of a change in the project to eliminate the Boardwalk. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the grant agreement amendment removing the Boardwalk as a scope item. All ayes. Motion carried.

DATE FOR 2019/2020 BUDGET HEARING: Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to set the Budget Public Hearing for March 12, 2019 at 2:00pm with the regular monthly March meeting immediately to follow. All ayes. Motion carried.

GRASS CASTLE CANNABIS BUSINESS PLAN PRESENTATION: Rick and Deb Bayer from Grass Castle LLC gave a presentation on Cannabis Cultivation Business Plan.

MILLAGE PROPOSAL BALLOT DATES: Discussion tabled.

COMMUNITY GARDEN WATER AVAILABILITY: Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini will be in contact with the Community Garden Representatives.

CRYSTAL FALLS CEMETERY AGREEMENT: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to pay the Crystal Falls Cemetery in the amount of \$9,324.09 on April 1, 2019. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

POVERTY EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY TAXES: Discussion tabled.

SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS: Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adopt a Salary Resolution to resolve the salaries of elected officials for the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year being: Supervisor \$25,269, Clerk \$26,394, Treasurer \$26,000, Trustees \$3,788. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: No reports.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Discussion and questions from Maureen Elson regarding Zoning on recreational marijuana. Pat Olson stated concerns on a sign and a street light.

Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$33,780.55, the Monthly's for \$29,339.25 and the EFT's for \$1,102.05 with a total of \$64,221.85. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

March 13, 2019

A Public Budget Hearing for the 2019/2020 budget was held on March 12, 2019 at 2 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to review the property millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget. All board members were present. There were 6 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Kut reviewed the account totals beginning with the General 101 account revenues of \$742,630, the expenditures of \$922,358 with a loss of \$179,728. Following with the Fire 206 account revenues of \$197,252, the expenditures of \$196,992 with a gain of \$260, the Capital Improvement 246 account revenues of \$704,200, the expenditures of \$919,600 with a loss of \$215,400, the Sewer 590 account revenues of \$135,500, the expenditures of \$134,531 with a gain of \$969 and the Water 591 account revenue of \$582,000, the expenditures of \$581,679 with a gain of \$321. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed 2019/2020 budget. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned 2:07 p.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

March 14, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held immediately following the Public Budget Hearing on March 12, 2019 at 2:07 p.m. All board members were present. There were 6 public attendees. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the regular meeting minutes from February 26, 2019 with the spelling correction of Proposal. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to accept the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried. Supervisor Lesandrini informed the Board Tom Bucek brought in an Automated External Defibrillator for the Township Hall that is in need of replacement parts. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept and replace parts to the AED in the amount of \$484.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Supervisor Lesandrini stated his thanks to Tom Bucek.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson reviewed the Hall Improvement bid results with a summary and recommendation. A total of 2 bids each were received for the HVAC Improvement Project and Flooring Replacement Project. One bid was received for the Hall Improvements Project including the replacement of the front entry stairs to the Hall and replacement of the exterior window sills and brick molding around the windows on the original portion of the Township Hall. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to accept the low bid of \$14,910 with upgrading the wall mount units to include a heat pump option for 2 units at an additional \$150.00 each and a down payment of \$9,000 to Lortie Plumbing and Heating, to accept the low bid of \$7,611.02 with an additional \$1000 to replace carpet roll with carpet tiles with a 50% down payment to Northern Carpets, Inc., and to accept the bid from Carey Contracting, Inc. on the replacement of the front entry stairs to the Hall and replacement of exterior window sills and brick molding around the windows on the original portion of the Township Hall for \$31,400.00 with a 50% down payment. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Robb stated the Fire Chief contacted GEI for some type of mapping device to locate hydrants. Robb will work to export information so they can locate them on their phones. Anderson also informed the Board that they are still waiting for DNR approval on the Trail Project.

TOWNSHIP ZONING VIOLATIONS (TINTI): Attorney Tinti was not present. Discussion tabled.

GRASS CASTLE CANNABIS BUSINESS: Discussion held. Recommendation from the Planning Board is not to modify our current Medical Marijuana Ordinance.

MILLAGE PROPOSAL BALLOT DATES (TINTI): Discussion tabled.

POVERTY EXEMPTION for PROPERTY TAXES (TINTI): Discussion held. Board felt further research was needed. Tabled until next meeting.

DISCUSS MEDICAL MARIHUANA ORDINANCE: Discussed marihuana. Discussion held. The Planning Board's recommendation was to opt out until the state has regulations and guidelines on recreational marijuana.

ZONING CONSULTANT TO ASSIST PLANNING BOARD: Patrick Coleman from North of 45 professional planning service was present to review his proposal and answer questions. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to contract with Pat Coleman from North of 45, not to exceed \$8,600 in a time table of 8 months to one year effective April 1, 2019. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

ADOPT DEPOSITORY RESOLUTION: Reviewed Resolution with Treasurer Ketola. Motion by Ketola, supported by Niemi to adopt the updated Depository Resolution. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

AMEND 2018/2019 BUDGET TO "ACTUAL EXPENSES AND REVENUES": Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to amend the 2018/2019 budget to "Actual Expenses and Revenues". Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

ROAD BID DOCUMENTS AND SUMMARIES FOR THE 2019 PROJECTS: Reviewed bid documents and summaries for the 2019 projects. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Long Lake Road #4 with the lowest bid of \$198,000. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

MEETING RESOLUTION: Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Niemi to establish the monthly meeting dates for the 2019/2020 fiscal year to be held on the second Tuesday of the Month at 2:00 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR 457(b) PLAN FOR MARCH 31, 2020: Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to approve a resolution for the discretionary amount each year for the Crystal Falls Township 457(b) Plan for the Plan Year ending March 31, 2020. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: There were no reports.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were not public comments.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$6,099.85, the Monthly's for \$25,964.12 and the EFT's for \$367.35 with a total of \$32,431.32. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

April 9, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on April 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 9 public attendees. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from March 12, 2019 and a Public Budget Hearing meeting from March 12, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the agenda with addition of New Business B.) Change to Iron County Economic Chamber Alliance, E.) Point & Pay Presentation (Treasurer)/add Postmark on Tax Bills, G.) Option for Nonpartisan Township Offices. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Terry Alexa reviewed report with the Board from the month of March. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson updated the board on going ahead with the Hall Improvement Project. He will be meeting with Terry Alexa to coordinate. Carpet and HVAC will be starting next month. Heritage Trail out for bids and will have the results at the next meeting. Fire hydrant mapping was done for the Fire Department.

TOWNSHIP ZONING VIOLATION (TINTI): Attorney Steve Tinti reviewed the Township Zoning Violation. Discussion held. Hearing to implement what was requested to be done will be held on April 30, 2019.

MILLAGE PROPOSAL BALLOT DATES (TINTI): Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the language with moving the question mark for the August 6th election. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

POVERTY EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY TAXES (TINTI): Discussion tabled.

PRESENTATION PRL STATE MICRO GROW LICENSE: Bernard James Havlik from PRL gave a presentation. Discussion held.

UPDATE FROM IRON COUNTY ECONOMIC CHAMBER ALLIANCE: Paul Schuytema, Executive Director from the ICECA gave an update. Discussion held. He thanked the Township for their support. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to pay \$5,229 to belong to the ICECA for year 2019. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PROCESS TO SELL TOWNSHIP PROPERTY (TINTI): Attorney Steve Tinti discussed the options and the process to sell Township property. Discussion held.

SAFETY & SECURITY WINDOW FILM: Supervisor Lesandrini reported. Discussion held. Terry Alexa will get a revised price.

POINT & PAY PRESENTATION (TREASURER)/POSTMARK ON TAX BILLS: Treasurer Jen Ketola reviewed. Discussion held. The Board is comfortable with credit card payments for the Utility Bills and Tax Bills. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to go forward with the Point & Pay contract. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Treasurer Jen Ketola reviewed the Postmark date on Tax bills. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to no longer accept the Postmark date on payments for the Tax bill. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SPRING CLEAN UP DATE: The date is set for Saturday, May 18th from 8-noon. Supervisor Lesandrini addressed about putting a notice in the Iron County Reporter about our Blight ordinance.

OPTION FOR NONPARTISAN TOWNSHIP OFFICES: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed. Discussion held. No motion taken.

REPORTS: No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: Discussed Hall rental fees for Taxpayer's in the Township.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$96,514.82, the Monthly's for \$14,904.89 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$112,154.41. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

May 15, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on May 14, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 10 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from April 8, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the agenda with addition of Old Business E.) Change to Donahue Park. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report with the Board from the month of April. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Niemi to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the officer positions as followed: Chief – Steven Fabbri, Assistant Chief – Kim Nylund, Captain – Jim Sartori, Safety Officer – Dan Surface, Training Officer – Tom Bucek, Secretary/Treasurer – Brian Fabbri. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson updated the board on Hall Improvement Projects. The flooring is schedule to start May 15, 2019, waiting for parts to start HVAC, stairs and sills to start week of 5/20/2019. Reviewed the Fourteenth draw for RD Water Project. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Water Projects funds draw to Energenecs, Inc. for \$6,550.80 and GEI Consultants in the amount of \$2,094.50 for a total of \$8,645.30.

POINT & PAY PRESENTATION (TREASURER): Treasurer Jen Ketola reviewed. Discussion held. Looking at a start date for Utility Bills on June 1, 2019 and Property Taxes on July 1, 2019.

DONAHUE PARK: Board member Diane Kut informed the board of a conversation she had with Tom Clark regarding brush clean up and adding in flat rock at Donahue Park. Supervisor Lesandrini recommend adding a grill to the site. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to recommend to allow Tom Clark to pursue with clean up and adding in flat rock. Also for the Township to incorporate a grill. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

MARIHUANA APPLICATION: Board member Diane Kut discussed how the application request could be considered by the Township board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to modify the Township Medical Marihuana ordinance that is in place and add Class A to it with a stipulation of a \$5,000 escrow account. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SAFETY & SECURITY WINDOW FILM INQUIRY: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed estimate from West Michigan Glass Coatings, Inc. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to amend GL number 101- 441-930-000 in the amount of \$5,446.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

HERITAGE TRAIL BID TABULATIONS: Robb Anderson reviewed with the board the DNR Heritage Trail Extension Bids. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to award the bid to FA Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$491,197.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

IRON BELLE TRAIL GRANT REQUEST - CRYSTAL FALLS TOWNSHIP: Reviewed the Iron Belle Trail - Challenge Grant with Rob Anderson. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, support by Ketola to go ahead with the \$15,000 Iron Belle Trial - Challenge Grant. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNTY FORECLOSED PROPERTY IN CRYSTAL FALLS TOWNSHIP: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the letter from the Iron County Treasurers regarding tax foreclosures. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to sign agreement to waive the right to purchase the Foreclosed Property. All ayes. Motion carried.

ROAD PROJECT CONTRACTS ICRC: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed Highway Participation Agreements for the Long Lake Road project. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve half down of the estimated total construction cost and amend GL number 246-901-980-002 in the amount of \$210,500. Roll Call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: Attorney Steve Tinti discussed some issues. 1.) Enforcement order on Lind Road has been entered by July 1, 2019 thru August 30, 2019. 2.) Land sales ordinance. 3.) Tobin Location violation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mary Dumitru commented on the blight locations. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$78,657.98, the Monthly's for \$26,467.64 and the EFT's for \$1,102.05 with a total of \$106,227.67. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

May 29, 2019

A special meeting was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 9 a.m. All board members were present. There were 7 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the Special Meeting Agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss medical and recreational marihuana licensing along with working through Paint River Landing request.

PAINT RIVER LANDING PROPOSAL: Discussion was held regarding amending the medical marihuana ordinance. Attorney Steve Tinti along with the owners of Paint River Landing were present. Options were discussed.

DISCUSSION on OPTING IN or OUT of RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA: Discussions were held. Attorney Tinti advised we work on doing our Medical Marihuana Ordinance well and move forward from there. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to opt out of Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, also known as the Recreation Act on behalf of the Township of Crystal Falls. Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini noted he was not comfortable bringing it to a vote at this time. Roll call taken. D. Kut-yes, N. Niemi-yes, J. Seppala-yes, J. Ketola-yes, T. Lesandrini-no. Motion carried.

Public comments were made by Brian Brzoznowski, Pat Olson and Faith Phillipson.

Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

June 12, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on June 11, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 2 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from May 14, 2019 and the special meeting minutes from May 28, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report with the Board from the month of May. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Niemi to accept the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve John Frizzo, JR as a new volunteer firefighter member. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported Ketola to approve the participation in the annual UP Volunteer Firefighters Tournament in Calumet, MI on July 25th – July 27th. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson updated the board that the Water Tank Project is completed. Updated that the DNR Heritage Trail Extension is progressing well. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the \$95,167.62 pay request for FA Industrial Services, Inc. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to pay the City of Crystal Falls in the amount of \$1,555.93 for down guy relocation on trail. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussed with Rob Anderson the cracks on the walking trail and reviewed the hall improvements projects.

PROPOSAL ENGINEERING FOR IRON BELLE TRAIL – CHALLENGE GRANT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the report with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to enter into contract with GEI for engineering services for the Iron Belle Trail in the grant amount of \$15,000. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PROPOSAL FOR DESIGN FOR CRYSTAL FALLS TOWNSHIP FIRE HALL: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the report with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the proposal for Design Services for the Crystal Falls Township Fire Hall with GEI. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP HALL RENTAL REVIEW: Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini recommended to set a committee. The committee will be Nancy Niemi, Joanne Seppala, and Diane LaChapelle.

IRON COUNTY ROAD COM. PROPOSAL FOR CHIP SEAL: Discussion tabled.

REPORTS: No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: Letters were sent from the Zoning Commission to areas of concern. Supervisor Lesandrini will be meeting with Attorney Tinti regarding junk car ordinance violation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mary Dumitru commented on burn permits and thanked Supervisor Lesandrini for returning her call in regards to this matter. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$258,855.55, the Monthly's for \$36,009.44 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$295,599.69. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

July 10, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on July 09, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 3 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from June 11, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda with addition of New Business C.) Yearly Organization Membership of Fortune Lakes Association Agenda, D.) Discussion of Emergency Service Building. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report with the Board from the month of June. Discussion held. Discussion on signs to remind people to have their dogs on a leash at Gibson Lake. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to accept the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson updated the board on the DNR Heritage Trail Extension. Sand and gravel are completed. Paving will begin next week or the following week. Change order for additional sand on some parts of the trail. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the change order in the amount of \$7,824.25 for additional sand. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussed with Robb Anderson about the part of the trail that is close to the highway. He will check with MDOT for signage on the highway close to New Bristol Rd. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the pay request for FA Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$197,518.01. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP HALL RENTAL REVIEW: The board reviewed the old and revised rules and regulations for the Township Hall rental contract. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to accept the revised rules and regulations for the hall rental and all reserved on the calendar will be grandfathered in. All ayes. Motion carried.

IRON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION PROPOSAL FOR CHIP SEAL: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the report with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept the Iron County Road Commission proposal for chip seal for \$25,000 and match \$25,000 on their recommendation and amend budget 246-901-980-002 by \$25,000. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP POVERTY EXEMPTION RESOLUTION: Treasurer Jen Ketola reviewed with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Poverty Exemption Resolution. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi opting out the Resolution to waive penalties for non-filing of property transfer affidavit under MCL 22.27B. All ayes. Motion carried.

FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed Management Unit Overview with the board. Discussion held. Supervisor Lesandrini will contract Brock VanOss to come and give a presentation.

LEGAL REMOVAL OF MATERIAL CASE NO: I16-5442-CZ: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, Supported by Seppala to approve the contract with GEI to oversee the junk car and scrap metal cleanup for the legal removal of material case no: I16-5442-CZ. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

YEARLY ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP OF FORTUNE LAKES ASSOCIATION AGENDA: Board member Diane Kut reviewed with the board the Yearly Organization Membership of Fortune Lakes Association Agenda. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to renew the Township's membership of \$100.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF EMERGENCY SERVICE BUILDING: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala for Supervisor Lesandrini to go into discussions with Aspirus, Scott Kenney, and Steve Tinti for Emergency Service Building. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: No reports.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$175,131.81, the Monthly's for \$19,369.07 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$195,235.58. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

July 15, 2019

An Election Commission meeting was held on July 15, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the Crystal Falls Township Office. Present members were Tom Lesandrini, Jen Ketola and Nancy Niemi. There were no public attendees.

The purpose of the meeting was to appoint an Election Chairperson, Election Inspectors and Receiving Board for the August 6, 2019 Special Election. Motion by Lesandrini, supported by Ketola to appoint Bev Wilcox as Election Chairperson. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Lesandrini, supported by Ketola to appoint Diane LaChapelle, Rietta Erickson, Linda Clairmont and Deb Kubicsko as Election Inspectors. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Ketola, supported by Lesandrini to appoint Linda Clairmont and Rietta Erickson to the Receiving Board. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Lesandrini, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

August 14, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on August 13, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Joanne Seppala was absent. All other board members were present. There were 8 public attendees. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from July 9, 2019 and Election Commission minutes from July 15, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed report with the Board from the month of July. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. The Department had a good turnout at the U.P. Volunteer Firefighters Tournament. The Department will be participating in the Active Shooter Drill that will be held at Forest Park Schools on August 22nd. Bill Sliva submitted his retirement from the Department effective at the end of July, 2019. Supervisor Lesandrini would like to thank him for his years of service. Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to accept the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: Robb Anderson reviewed with the Board on the Water project and Heritage Trail. The final pay request from Caldwell Tanks, Inc. included a change order reduction of \$4,196.00. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to approve the pay request from Caldwell Tanks, GEI, Energenecs and Crystal Falls Township reimbursement for the grand total amount of \$67,212.51. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Heritage Trail project complete except the signs, installation of the bench and silt fence to be completed in the fall. There was a change order in the pay request to FA Industrial Services, Inc. of \$6.66. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to complete the order to FA Industrial Services for \$153,117.76. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony on 8/22/2019 at 10am Donahue Park.

IRON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION PROPOSAL FOR CHIP SEAL: Supervisor Lesandrini reported they will be working on Paint River Road. Discussion held.

LEAGAL REMOVAL OF MATERIAL CASE NO: 116-5442-CZ: Rob Anderson from GEI reported. GEI received one proposal. Waiting for others to come in and will update in the near future.

POVERTY EXEMPTION: Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to pass the resolution to waive penalties for non-filing for property transfer affidavits under MCL 22.27B and rescind the motion by Kut supported by Niemi from July 9th meeting minutes opting out of the Resolution to waive penalties for non-filing of property transfer affidavit under MCL 22.27B. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Poverty Exemption Resolution and rescind motion by Seppala supported by Ketola from the July 9th meeting minutes to approve the Poverty Exemption Resolution. All ayes. Motion carried.

RESIGNATION TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR: Supervisor Lesandrini submitted his resignation to the board. Discussion held. His last day of employment will be August 28, 2019. Superior Lesandrini stated that it has been a great tenure. Assessor Ken West thanked Supervisor Lesandrini for his years of service. He feels Supervisor Lesandrini has made a wonderful contribution to the Township for the last 13 years and has had great foresight and direction for the Township. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to accept the resignation with regret. Roll call taken. Supervisor Lesandrini abstained. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to advertise for the Supervisor position in the paper. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP HALL RENOVATIONS: Rob Anderson reviewed the invoice from Carey Contracting. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the bill from Carey Contracting in the amount of \$14,417.89. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussion was held on the additional work needed discovered by Carey Contracting during the hall renovation project. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to go ahead with the projects in the amount of \$6,960.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussion on chimney project. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to bid out for the chimney project. All ayes. Motion carried. Discussion held regarding flooring renovation invoice from Northern Carpets, Inc. in the Township Hall and office. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to pay Northern Carpet, Inc. in the amount of \$3,275.51 at this time. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP AUDIT: Eric Haukkala from Haukkala & CO., P.C. reported on the Audit Report 2018/2019. The Board was pleased with his report. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to accept the Audit Report 2018/2019. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM AT FOREST PARK: Supervisor Lesandrini reviewed with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Ketola, supported by Niemi to approve the Forest Park Summer Recreation Program in the amount of \$2,237.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

INTERNET UPGRADES: Treasurer Jen Ketola reported to the Board and reviewed the estimate from 906 Technologies. Discussion held. Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to approve the contract with 906 Technologies for the new Firewall protection. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE ON FIRE AND EMS BUILDING: Supervisor Lesandrini and Zoning Administrator Bill Santilli met with Aspirus, GEI, Scott Kenney, Attorney Tinti and the County to review plans and discuss finances regarding a Fire and EMS building.

REPORTS: Clerk Niemi thanked the Deputy Clerk and Election Workers on a good job with the August Special Election. The Township would like to thank the residents for their support towards the millage. Supervisor Lesandrini reported that there is going to be a MTA meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the Mansfield Township Hall hosted by Mansfield Township.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: Matt Waldo presented that there will be a Healthy Living Fitness Fest at The Wall Fitness on Saturday, August 17, 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$218,403.64, the Monthly's for \$96,703.58 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$315,841.92. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Ketola, supported by Niemi to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

August 28, 2019

A special meeting was held on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 5 p.m. All board members were present. There were 4 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Special Meeting Agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

The purpose of the meeting was to review applicants and appoint a Township Supervisor for the remaining term expiring November 2020.

INTERVIEW TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR APPLICANTS: Open interviews before the Board and Public were conducted for three candidates who consisted of Scott Kenney, Allen Jaeger and Curtis Stebic.

APPROVE CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to appoint Scott Kenney to the Supervisor position. Roll call taken. D. Kut-yes, N. Niemi-yes, J. Seppala-yes, J. Ketola-yes, T. Lesandrini-abstain. Motion carried.

The Board thanked all applicants for their desire to serve the residents and visions for moving the Township forward.

OTHER: Discussion was held on obtaining Tom Lesandrini as a consultant to the Township Supervisor. Motion by Niemi, supported by Kut to obtain Tom Lesandrini as a consultant at the rate of \$30 per hour for the Township through the Supervisor's direction. Roll call taken. J. Seppala-yes, J. Ketola-yes, N. Niemi-yes, D. Kut-yes, T. Lesandrini-abstain. Motion carried. Northern Carpet's invoice will be tabled until the next monthly meeting.

The Board thanked Tom Lesandrini for sharing his vision and years of service as Crystal Falls Township Supervisor.

Motion by Kut, supported by Lesandrini to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

September 11, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on September 10, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 4 public attendees. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from August 13, 2019 and a Special Meeting minutes from August 27, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Additions to the Agenda under Old Business C. under number one add d.) Wash Out Letter. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** No public comments.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Terry Alexa reviewed report with the Board from the month of August. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Water Superintendent's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi supported by Kut to accept the Fire Chief's report. All ayes. Motion carried.

UPDATE FROM GEI ON CONTRACTED SERVICES: 1.) DNR Heritage Trail – Pay Request. Robb Anderson reviewed the pay request from FA Industrial Services, Inc. with the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept the Pay request from FA Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$45,152.06. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. a.) Bench – Robb Anderson reviewed information and prices with the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to purchase 3 Dumor 103 Series 4' benches at \$410.00 a piece plus shipping and handling with the Township Public Works staff doing the installation. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. b.) Pet Waste – Discussion tabled until Spring. c.) Signage – Robb Anderson informed the Board that MDOT wants to monitor before putting up signs on the trail by New Bristol Road. Discussion held. d.) Wash Out Letter- Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the board a correspondence received on the condition of the walking trail near property owner's driveway.

LEGAL REMOVAL OF MATERIAL CASE NO: I16-5442-CZ: 1.) Two Proposals Received. The Board reviewed the proposals received from Tru Recycling LLC and Ed's Used Parts, Inc. Discussion held. Both proposals will take longer than court allows. Attorney Tinti will be asking the court to extend dates. No action at this time.

NORTHERN CARPET – ADDITIONAL BILLING: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to pay \$550.00 to Northern Carpet. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

FALL CLEAN UP: Fall cleanup will be tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 5th from 8 - noon at the Crystal Falls Township.

MARIJUANA ORDINANCE: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Prohibition Of Recreational Marihuana Establishments Ordinance. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to adopt the Ordinance for the Prohibition Of Recreational Marihuana Establishments adopted today effective upon publication and will be assigned the next available ordinance number. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

JUNIOR LIEN REVENUE BONDS REFINANCE OPTIONS: Supervisor Kenney would like to move this to old business next month.

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR FOR APPROVAL WITH MI REC GRANTS: Supervisor Kenney was looking for action from the Board to authorize approval with MI REC Grants. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve Scott Kenney for authorization with MI Rec Grants. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PROPOSALS: 1.) Water heater in garage – Reviewed the two bids received. One from Lortie Plumbing and Heating for \$4,510.00 and the other one from Nordic Plumbing for \$1,600.00. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to accept the bid from Nordic Plumbing in the amount of \$1,600.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. 2.) Chimney/roof repair - No proposals received. Discussion held. No action will be taken at this time.

SANITATION TRUCK WORKER POSITION: One application in house. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to fill the position for the sanitation worker with Tom Lesandrini. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: A.) Supervisor Hours will be Tuesday mornings and Wednesday 6-8 pm. B.) Agenda Items – Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board time request for submitting non-emergent business.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$165,216.18, the Monthly's for \$231,083.64 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$397,034.52. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: Supervisor Kenney publicly thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as the Township Supervisor.

ADJOURN: Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

October 9, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on October 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 5 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from September 10, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried.

Additions to the Agenda under Other Business/Correspondence E.) Business Cards, F.) Date for Public Strategic Planning Meeting. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: No public comments.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Terry Alexa reviewed report with the Board from the month of September. Discussion held.

1.) Relocate antennae-Energenec (\$7,200 left in project) - Reviewed with the Board. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve to move the antennae with the Township paying no more than \$7,200. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. 2.) Lead/Copper issue - Terry Alexa explained State requirements and reviewed report with the Board. Discussion held.

FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Fire Chief's report with the Board. Discussion held. 1.) ISO audit - Meeting went well. All documents provided by the Fire Chief met the requirements for the audit. Response from the audit should be available in 5 to 6 months.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Zoning Administrator Report with the Board. Discussion held.

ASSESSOR REPORT: No report this month.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to accept the Water, Fire, and Zoning reports for the month of September. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kenney would like to have a report from the Water, Fire, Zoning, and Assessor departments each month.

HERITAGE TRAIL PROJECT: 1.) Final pay request for project - Robb Anderson from GEI Consultants reviewed with the Board. Discussion held.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to pay the pay request in the amount of \$8,059.15 to FA Industrial Services, Inc. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. 2.) Approval of Declaration and Notice (Tinti) - Attorney Steve Tinti reviewed with the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to authorize the execution of the Declaration and Notice by the Supervisor and Clerk. All ayes. Motion carried. 3.) Safety Letter - Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board the letter regarding the walking trail that was sent to F/Lt Paul Campbell, Post Commander Michigan State Police and Sheriff Mark Valesano.

UPDATE REMOVAL OF MATERIAL CASE NO: 116-5442-CZ: 1.) Court extension (Tinti) - Attorney Steve Tinti updated the Board. He will be going back to court to authorize activity to extend to next fall. Discussion held.

JUNIOR LIEN REVENUE BONDS REFINANCE: 1.) Authorization to proceed - Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board. Discussion held.

Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to proceed with the authorization. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. 2.) Authorization for contract with Miller, Canfield -Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to contract with Miller, Canfield for refinancing for the Junior Lien Bond. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. 3.) Authorization for contract with Robert Baird (was Hilliard Lyons) - Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to engage the firm of Robert Baird for our financial consultant working with Miller, Canfield for the Junior Lien Bond. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE HALL UPDATE: Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board the letter sent to Aspirus and GEI. He would like to look at alternative sites.

RECREATION PLAN-NEEDS UPDATING BY 2/1/2020: 1.) Proposal from GEI to update plan - Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board. The Recreation Plan will be expiring at the end of 2019 and reviewed the Proposal from GEI to update the plan. Board member Joanne Seppala inquired about putting a dog park somewhere. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to approve the hiring of GEI to update our 5 year recreation plan for \$1,250.00 and the clerk to be authorized to sign the contract. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL: Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to continue with the 80/20 and renew with BCBS of Michigan. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS: 1.) Authorize a budget amount to 246-336-801 to \$8,000 - Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to authorize a budget amendment to GL # 246-336-801-000 to \$8,000. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. 2.) Authorize a budget amount to 101-722-801-001 to \$8,600 - Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to amend GL #101-722-801-001 with an increase of \$8,600. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS: No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE: A.) Al Anderson Letter - Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board in regards to Deer Lake Road and how outstanding it is. B.) Advertise Library Board appointment (4 year term beginning in January) – Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to advertise the rotating position for the library board for a 4 year term. All ayes. Motion carried. C.) Advertise for part-time worker for refuse collection – Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to advertise for a part-time worker for refuse collection. All ayes. Motion carried. D.) Will be looking at crushing additional gravel in near future - Supervisor Kenney informed the Board the gravel supply is depleting. E.) Business Cards - Supervisor Kenney discussed with the Board regarding business cards for all departments. F.) Date for Public Strategic Planning Meeting - Discussion held. The meeting will be schedule for November 12, 2019 at 6pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mary Dumitru commented about reading the Department reports. Copies of the Department reports will be available to the public at the meetings.

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$125,592.98, the Monthly's for \$28,474.49 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$154,802.17. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: None.

ADJOURN: Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:12p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk

November 13, 2019

A Special meeting was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6 p.m. All board members were present. There were 6 public attendees.

The purpose of the meeting was to have a public workshop to hold discussions concerning the updating of the Township's Recreation Plan and to construct a Strategic Plan for the long-term and short term planning of the Township along with reviewing plans already in place.

INPUT FROM PUBLIC for STRATEGIC PLAN: Review of some of the Township's plans already in place was discussed. Public comments regarding Infrastructure, Essential Services, Recreation/Quality of Life and Economic Development were suggested by Joe Chavis, Dave Grodin, Steven Fabbri and Board Members. Multiple suggestions for improvements to our Township were discussed throughout the meeting by all present.

INPUT for RECREATION PLAN: Robb Anderson from GEI was present to inform and hold discussions concerning the updating of the Township's Recreation Plan. Discussion was held with the public and Board Members regarding their input and recommendations for the Recreation Plan.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

November 14, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on November 12, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 3 public attendees. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes from October 8, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS: Evelyn Gathu, Director of Crystal Falls District Community Library was present to introduce herself and talk about events, programs and what the library has to offer. Evelyn informed the Board of the RIDES statewide delivery system the Crystal Falls District Community Library has joined. The Board appreciated her presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: No public comment.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN REPORT: Terry Alexa reviewed report with the Board from the month of October. Discussion held.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Zoning Administrator report. Discussion held.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Supervisor Kenny reviewed the Assessor's report. Discussion held.

LANDFILL CLOSURE REPORT: Reviewed post closure inspection report for landfill conducted by Cary Gustafson. Discussion held.

Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to accept the Water, Fire, Zoning and Assessor reports from each department for the month of October and the Landfill Closure report. All ayes. Motion carried.

REFINANCE OF 2007 WATER REVENUE BOND-LTGO BOND v REVENUE BOND: Reviewed options between Revenue Bond and Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds. Supervisor Kenney recommended proceeding with the Revenue Bond. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to proceed with refinancing the bonds with the Revenue Bond. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

FIRE HALL ENGINEERING SERVICES-REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: Discussion held in regards to a change of direction from previous design plans and location. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to seek engineering proposals for entirety of construction and design phases and in addition we will terminate design service contract for the Crystal Falls Fire Hall with GEI pending Attorney Tinti's review of the existing contract. Roll call taken. J. Seppala-no, D. Kut-yes, J. Ketola-yes, N. Niemi-yes, S. Kenney-yes. Motion carried.

WATER PROJECT RURAL DEVELOPMENT-(GEI): Robb Anderson reviewed completed water project with the board. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to authorize a transfer of \$139.11 from water fund cash to water fund construction account. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve final payment of \$7,376.32 to Energenecs, Inc. and final request of draw to Rural Development of \$7,376.32. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

RECREATION PLAN: Robb Anderson reviewed recreation plan progress. Public workshop will be held this evening at 6 p.m.

HERITAGE TRAIL-DECLARATION AND NOTICE (TINTI): Attorney Tinti confirmed the Declaration and Notice has been recorded with the Iron County Register of Deeds. Robb will submit a copy of the Declaration and Notice to our Township website.

LIND ROAD CLEANUP UPDATE (TINTI): Attorney Tinti informed the Board of a court schedule for later this month regarding cleanup on Lind Road site.

FRANCHISE AGREEMENT-BARAGA TELEPHONE: Franchise contract agreement was reviewed by Attorney Tinti. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported Ketola to approve Franchise Agreement with a 2% PEG fee and 5% video service provider fee with Baraga Telephone and authorize Supervisor Kenney to sign. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

SEWER AGREEMENT: Supervisor Kenney discussed meeting he attended with the City of Crystal Falls regarding the City sewer system and substantial upgrades on their system.

BENCH PLACEMENTS ON WALKING TRAIL: Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to place the park benches as indicated in an e-mail from Ketola with the exception of Bible Camp Rd. location. All ayes. Motion carried.

PART-TIME WORKER OF REFUSE COLLECTION: Foreman Alexa reported 4 applications had been received and reviewed. He recommended hiring Shannon Bendick. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to accept Foreman Alexa's recommendation to hire Shannon Bendick for the Sanitation position. All ayes. Motion carried.

HOLIDAY HOURS-NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER: Discussion held regarding December 24th office hours. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to close the office on December 24th. All ayes. Motion carried.

CHART OF ACCOUNTS: Due to conflict, Supervisor Kenney removed himself from the Board table and discussion. Discussion was held regarding the original contract with Scott Kenney, CPA to update the Chart of Accounts. Motion by Kut, supported by Niemi to honor existing contract with Scott Kenney, CPA to update our Chart of Accounts. All ayes. Motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS: Reviewed list of recommended budget amendments. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Ketola to amend budget as presented. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$29,973.26, the Monthly's for \$24,255.71 and EFT's for \$1102.05 with a total of \$55,331.02. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to convene into Executive session for potential acquisition of real estate and discuss written letter of legal counsel. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Entered Executive session at 4:10 p.m.

Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to adjourn out of Executive session. Roll call taken. All ayes. Executive session was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: None

Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Nancy Niemi/Clerk

December 11, 2019

A regular monthly meeting was held on December 10, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. All board members were present. There were 6 public attendees. Motion by Ketola, supported by Seppala to approve the regular monthly meeting, Executive session meeting, and Special meeting minutes from November 12, 2019. All ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS: No public comments.

WATER SUPERINTENDENT/FOREMAN'S REPORT: Terry Alexa reviewed report with the Board from the month of November. Informed the Board of winter tires needed for the work truck. Discussion held.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Fire Chief's report. Discussion held.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Zoning Administrator report. Discussion held.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Supervisor Kenney reviewed the Assessor's report. Discussion held.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Kut to accept the Water, Fire, Zoning and Assessor reports for the month of November. All ayes. Motion carried.

New tires for the Township's truck. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to approve the new tires from Sartori's Service Station up to \$1,000.00. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

REFINANCE OF 2007 WATER REVENUE BOND - UPDATE: Supervisor Kenney is gathering information for Andy Campbell.

WATER PROJECT RURAL DEVELOPMENT – UPDATE (GEI): Robb Anderson reported there are no updates on the Water Project with Rural Development and it is now closed out.

RECREATION PLAN – UPDATE (GEI): Robb Anderson reviewed the Recreation Plan draft with the Board. He stated that the Recreation Plan will be available for review until January 7, 2020 for any comments or questions from the public. Discussion held for a Public Recreation Resource Group. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to establish a Public Recreation Resource Group. All ayes. Motion carried.

HERITAGE TRAIL – REVISED DECLARATION AND NOTICE (TINTI): Attorney Tinti reviewed. Discussion held. Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to approve the amended Declaration and Notice. All ayes. Motion carried.

LIND ROAD CLEANUP UPDATE (TINTI): Attorney Tinti reviewed the Modified Order to Enforce Judgment that has been entered in this matter. Discussion held.

FIRE INSURANCE PROGRAM: Supervisor Kenney reviewed with the Board the purpose of the fire insurance withholding program. Discussion held. Motion by Kut, supported by Seppala to participate in the Fire Insurance Program with DIFS. Roll call taken. J. Seppala-yes, D. Kut-yes, N. Niemi-no, J. Ketola-no, S. Kenney-yes. Motion carried.

WATER CHLORINATE OF NORTH END SYSTEM: Supervisor Kenney reviewed a letter regarding permanent chlorination of Townline Water System from Tom Flaminio, P.C., District Engineer from the Department Of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Marquette District Office. Discussion held. Supervisor Kenney will be having a meeting on December 12, 2019 with Terry Alexa and Randy Bucek from Crystal Falls Township, Joe Hoenig and John Jacobson from Hematite Township and Robb Anderson from GEI.

LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER – KRIST OIL: Supervisor Kenney reviewed. Discussion held.

EMPLOYEE GIFTS: Discussion held regarding employee gifts. Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to establish a \$25 gift card from Crystal Fresh Market for employees and the Fire Chief. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL TO HIRE PART-TIME EMPLOYEE – GARBAGE: Discussion held regarding the approval to hire part-time employee for garbage. Motion by Ketola, supported by Kut to approve the hire of Ken Weackler for the part-time employee for garbage. All ayes. Motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENT – RECREATION PLAN: Supervisor Kenney requested account #101-756-801-000 to be increased by \$1,250.00. Discussion held. Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to increase account #101-756-801-000 by \$1,250.00 to fund the 5 year recreation plan update with GEI. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mary Dumitru thanked the board for copies of the department reports.

REVIEW OF BILLS/INVOICES EFT'S/PREPAID/MONTHLY: Motion by Kut, supported by Ketola to approve the Prepaid's in the amount of \$11,588.84, the Monthly's for \$27,729.50 and the EFT's for \$734.70 with a total of \$40,053.04. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to convene into Executive session for potential acquisition of real estate and discuss written letter of legal counsel. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Entered Executive session at 3:07 p.m.

Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to close out of Executive session and reconvene into regular monthly meeting. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried. Executive session was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRIVILEGE: Motion by Niemi, supported by Seppala to authorize Counsel to acquire the site for the amount stated by the Board. Roll call taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Kenney stated he received a question regarding our recreational marihuana policy not showing opting out on the State website. Attorney Tinti confirmed the information was received by the State that Crystal Falls Township opted out of Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana. Supervisor Kenney wished a Merry Christmas to the Board.

ADJOURN: Motion by Seppala, supported by Ketola to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Diane LaChapelle/Deputy Clerk