

MASTODON TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2023

Supervisor Chad Skinner called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Mastodon Township Hall. He asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members present: Supervisor Chad Skinner, Clerk Jan Lemke, Treasurer Stacey Watters, and Trustees Dave Smith and Mike Bjork.

Attendees: Brian Clancey, Cynthia Raho, Mark Erhart, Summer Olson, Joe Brozak, Stu Creel, Tammy Hendrickson, Roy Carlson, and Heather Casagranda.

Changes to agenda: None

June Meeting Minutes - Stand as written.

Accounts Payable & Payroll Review: Mike reviewed checks 30959-30114, and DD929-937 from the General Fund, Road Fund check 1385-1388, and #1835 from the Water Fund. Jan asked to add Spielbauer fireworks invoice. Our portion to pay is \$5,000. Stacey made a motion to accept the A/P list and the motion was seconded by Jan. All were in favor.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report was reviewed. Stacey reported that the final settlement of last year's taxes has been received from the county Treasurer.

Clerk's Report: Annual audit is complete. *Jan reviewed the options available for our Zoning Administrator to get certified. After discussion, Mike made a motion to approve the online course. The motion was seconded by Chad. All were in favor. *Jan received an email regarding a problem with dogs at Stager Lake. They are being allowed on the docks where children are swimming, etc. and in areas where they are not allowed. It was determined that we would get additional signs up showing where dogs are allowed and where they are not. Hopefully additional signs will help the situation. *Chad will begin the interviewing process for a new Assessor.

Supervisor's Report: Chad spoke with Road Commission regarding Stager Lake Road. To be discussed under 'New Business.'

Road Commission Report: Dave finished reviewing all roads in the township. He reviewed the Lake Mary area. He noted the end of South Shore Road will need work - possibly in the next 5 years. *He will talk to Iron Cty Road Commission (ICRC) about a rock sticking up from the road on Rainbow Trail. *He is going to call Brad at ICRC to meet with him to discuss several issues.

Fire Department Report: Andy submitted a report. Dave asked about replacement of road signs. Dan has a list started and would like to order 6 of the most needed. Dave made a motion for Dan to replace 6 signs and the motion was seconded by Chad. All in favor.

Planning Commission Report: There was no meeting in July.

Zoning Admin. Report: Stu reviewed the report. He asked Jan to print off stop work orders and permits. *Stu also mentioned that we will have to review hobby farming with the Planning Commission to determine how to address it in our zoning ordinance.

Recreation Committee Report: Cindy presented a report listing out all of the quotes received regarding a pickle ball court. The board will review.

ICECA Report: The June report had been emailed to us.

Village of Alpha: Jackie was not able to attend the meeting.

Maintenance Report: The maintenance report was reviewed. Dan also indicated that someone had left a slide in the water. He was asked to remove it and bring it to the township hall.

Unfinished Business:

Dunn Mine: Chad indicated that there is no update.

New Business:

4th of July Update: Everything went well. The Fire Dept received compliments on the ice cream and new bags of popcorn distributed. It was a very busy day. Thanks to Roy and Kathy Carlson for all their work to make this event a success.

Alpha Tennis Court - Quit Claim Deed: Mike presented the deed indicating that the tennis court would revert back to the township should the area not be maintained or used for recreational purposes. After discussion, it was determined that Chad would reach out to the Village Board to discuss their feelings

Stager Lake Safety: After discussion, it was determined that Chad will reach out to the Road Commission to discuss the solar speed lights at Stager Lake Park. Depending on assurance of the solar lights, Mike made a motion to purchase two of the speed signs for Stager Lake Road at the park. The motion was seconded by Dave and all were in favor.

Other Business:

Public Comments:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Lemke, Mastodon Township Clerk