

Canosia Township

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Town Board: Chair Kevin L. Connick, Supervisor Penny Dieryck, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, Clerk Amber Madoll, Treasurer Cheryl Borndal

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

July 6, 2022

ATTENDING: Chair Kevin Connick, Supervisor Penny Dieryck, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, Clerk Amber Madoll, Treasurer Cheryl Borndal, Fire Chief Gene Stevens, Assistant Fire Chief Clyde Mortinsen, Road Foreman Gary Oswell, Rec Director Mike Ellingson, and 1 guest. The meeting was held virtually and in person at the Canosia Town Hall.

Chair Connick called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m., and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

AGENDA, MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT & BILLS

- A. **AGENDA: Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0.
- B. **MINUTES: Motion** made by Kevin Connick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the June 1, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0.
- C. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**
 - a. Treasurer Borndal stated that the federal mileage rate will increase to 62.5 cents/mile effective July 1, 2022.
 - b. Treasurer Borndal stated that 121K of ARPA funds were received as part of the 2nd allocation. She would like a resolution on file for 2022 to allot ARPA funds to the general fund as done for 2021. She went on to explain how the ARPA funds were distributed. Clerk Madoll will compose a resolution for approval at the next board meeting.
 - c. Treasurer Borndal asked for clarification on the 3K invoice from MSA Engineering for their work related to the PLAWCS control panels. Supervisor Connick stated that the township could send a curtesy copy of the invoice to PLAWCS but that it wasn't required.
 - d. **Motion** made by Jeff Erikson, seconded by Penny Dieryck to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0.
- D. **PAY BILLS: Motion** made by Kevin Connick, seconded by Penny Dieryck to pay bills # 21742–21782 and EFT2022-6 once all receipts are accounted for. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. 5779SPLR: The survey is complete. The board will review and discuss at the next regular board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. **PLANNING AND ZONING:** Supervisor Connick stated that the county wanted input for a possible VRBO at 4892 Midway Rd. However, they also wanted input on revisions to their VRBO ordinance, which directly conflicted the request from 4892 Midway Road. Supervisor Connick sent Jenny at the county an email concerning the conflict of information.

B. FIRE RELIEF: Fire Chief Stevens stated that the audit is complete. Supervisor Dieryck stated that there will be a meeting on Tuesday and that no further audits will need to be completed moving forward.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- a. Fire Chief Stevens shared the monthly call numbers. He also stated that they conducted a search and rescue training at the Canosia Wildlife Management System and held a fire fighter appreciation/recruitment night. He also stated that the card access is ¾ completed. Supervisor Comnick stated that the fire door connected to the townhall will eventually have a fob access, as will the other townhall doors. New grill has been purchased and works well.
- b. Asst Fire Chief Mortinsen stated that their phone line is not working correctly and will calling someone out to repair it.
- c. Fire Chief Stevens stated that they received three donations. **Motion** made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to accept the donation of \$1,500.00 by the Pike Lake Area Association on behalf of the fire department. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. **Motion** made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Penny Dieryck to accept the donation of \$34.66 by Prudential on behalf of the fire department. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. **Motion** made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Penny Dieryck to accept the donation of \$200.00 by Theresa and Lonnie Noponen on behalf of the fire department. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Supervisor Comnick stated that moving forward each donation needed a resolution. Clerk Madoll will prepare the resolutions for approval at the next town board meeting.

2022 FIRE DEPT. RESPONSES			
Call Type	JULY #'s	Notes	Total for 2022
EMS	10		74
Medical MUA	1	Hermantown	16
Twp Fire	3		16
MUA Fire	3		25
Service	1		2
TOTAL	18		133

D. ROADS: Supervisor Comnick stated that the county is struggling to obtain enough paint for striping. Three culverts have been replaced with one more to complete. **Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the quote from Asphalt of Duluth in the amount of \$4,850 to asphalt the east side entrance of the Canosia Township Recreation Area. Motion approved unanimously, 3 – 0. Supervisor Comnick stated that seal coating is not complete yet due to weather. It will be completed on the first possible Sunday. Christenson Road needs calcium chloride but the county doesn't have enough. Once they do they will apply it to the road. Townline Road cannot and should not be given to Rice Lake per the advice of the township lawyer. Rice Lake provided a cost share recommendation for the road where they would take over maintenance however it is higher than the current amount the township pays to the county. Supervisor Comnick will decline the offer with Rice Lake.

E. RECYCLE SHED: Supervisor Dieryck stated that the grant was received.

F. RECREATION AREA: Supervisor Dieryck stated that she received two quotes to bury the electrical lines in the rec area. Benson Electric was \$12,100 and Belnap Electric was \$18,612. The board discussed the potential costs for rec area enhancements and the DNR matching grant program. Supervisor Comnick stated that they need clarification on if ARPA funds can be used for the DNR matching grant. He will research it. The board agreed to meet on July 13, 2022 at 5:30pm at the rec area to discuss the potential improvements and enhancements to the rec area. Clerk Madoll will post that they will be gathering. Supervisor Dieryck stat that someone needs to address the concession stand and cleaning it up.

- G. CEMETERY:** Supervisor Comnick provided cost recommendations for the niches. The recommendation was \$1,000 for one remains in one niche/\$1,200 for two remains in one niche with all other fees included in the cost. Road Forman Oswell stated that with cemetery plots there is a price difference for those living in the township and those outside so that outsiders don't purchase all of the plots. Supervisor Comnick stated that this is unnecessary. The board discussed a \$250 deposit per niche. Clerk Madoll stated that currently all cemetery plots must be purchased in full to reserve them. **Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Kevin Comnick to charge \$1,000 for one remains in one niche/\$1,200 for two remains in one niche which can be reserved with a \$250 non-refundable deposit per niche. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0.
- H. PLAWCS:** **Motion** made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve Resolution 2022-4 which approves the purchase of ten hydromatic pumps by PLAWCS. Motion carried unanimously 3 – 0.
- I. BUILDING MAINTENANCE:** Supervisor Comnick stated that the township has new doors but with temporary locks. At a future meeting the board will have to determine who has access to which door.
- J. Newsletter:** Clerk Madoll presented a draft of the summer newsletter. If the board has any corrections, they will let her know. It will go to print by the end of the week.
- K. National Night Out:** The board is in agreement to provide hotdogs, brats, chips, pop, dessert, and water. It will be held rain or shine because the following day is the regular board meeting and the August Primary is the following Tuesday.
- L. AIS:** Supervisor Comnick stated that the CD3 Station quit working but they were able to repair it for now. Inspections are going well but no one wants to work weekends. Therefore, the portable bathroom is being removed from the Caribou Lake access. Clerk Madoll notified the company for removal.
- M. Misc.** Asst Fire Chief Mortinsen stated that the pilings that were in the public landing have been moved to the front of the access and R. Anderson will be taking them. Fire Chief Stevens stated that he would like to use part of the parking lot at the trail head for his fire training boxes. The board is in agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. August Primary Election:** **Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve Barb Misgen, Nancy Cameron, Judy Kehtel, Jeannie Trush, and Rochelle Modeen as August Primary, August 9, 2022 Election Judges. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Clerk Madoll stated that there might be more who can be approved at the August 2022 meeting.

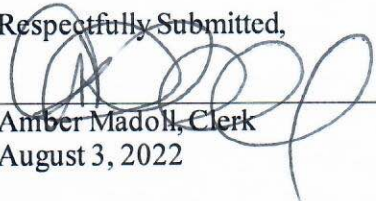
CORRESPONDENCE

Solway Township Newsletter, Fredenberg Township Newsletter, 4892 Midway Road VRBO CUP

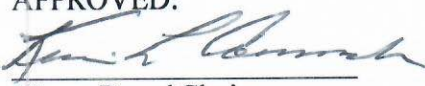
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Penny Dieryck, to adjourn the meeting at 8:28p.m. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted,


Amber Madoll, Clerk
August 3, 2022

APPROVED:


Town Board Chair
August 3, 2022