Canosia Township

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

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 25, 2023

ATTENDING: Chair Penny Dieryck, Supervisor Kevin Comnick, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, and Clerk Amber Madoll. The meeting was held in person at the Canosia Town Hall.

Chair Dieryck called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was stated.

- A. Gerhart Erikson Recreation Area: Supervisor Dieryck stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss potential updates to the recreation area and associated bids. Supervisor Comnick stated that they needed to develop a step by step plan of action. Supervisor Erikson was in agreement. He recommended a three-year plan. He stated that he doesn't believe that the township needs to bring in a consultant. They have the survey to help guide community interest and the community connections to help support renovations.
 - a. The board was in agreement that the following steps should occur:
 - i. Step One: The fencing repairs approved for 1.8K in a previous board meeting should be completed by Duluth Fencing.
 - ii. Step Two: The groundwork under the playground equipment needs to be leveled and any unlevel playground equipment needs to be reset. Supervisor Dieryck had a written quote from Jay Peterson offering to level the groundwork for 1.8K and a written quote from Billie Shelton to level the groundwork at no cost. Supervisor Dieryk will meet with both to request a revised quote to include the resetting of equipment. At this point in time all equipment would stay except for the rocking horse which the board is in agreement should be removed.
 - iii. Step Three: The asphalt walkway around the playground would be repaired by Asphalt of Duluth in a quote approved during a previous meeting for \$8,935.
 - iv. Step Four: The woodchips would be installed under the playground equipment per ADA standards.
 - b. Once these four steps are completed, then the playground will be ADA complaint. Additional steps included removing the fencing that separates the playground from the rec area road and installing two pieces of fences (one that stretches from the tennis court to the back baseball field fence cutting off the road from the west side and one that stretches from the back of the front baseball field fence to the back soccer fence cutting off the road from the east side.) Supervisor Dieryck obtained two quotes for this work. Duluth Fencing and Services was \$9,000.00 for 4ft commercial fencing. Dairyland Fencing provided a quote for \$9,300.00 for 6ft commercial fencing, which is the recommended standard for playgrounds.
 - c. The board discussed funding options including the school district, Pike Lake Association, DNR grant, etc.

d. The board was in agreement to hold a Special Meeting to discuss the recreation area plan further on August 14, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. at Canosia Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Penny Dieryck seconded by Jeff Erikson, to adjourn the meeting at 5:01 p.m. Motion carried unanimously, 3 - 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Madoll, Clerk

August 2, 2023

APPROVED:

Penny Dieryck, Town Board Chair August 2, 2023