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Town Leadership: Chair Kevin L. Comnick, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, Supervisor Penny Dieryck, Clerk Amber Madoll, Treasurer Neil Sample

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES May 7, 2025

<u>ATTENDING</u>: Chair Kevin Comnick, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, Supervisor Dieryck, Clerk Amber Madoll, Treasurer Neil Sample, Fire Chief Gene Stevens, Asst Fire Chief Clyde Mortinsen, Road Foreman Gary Oswell and one guest. The meeting was held in person and virtually at the Canosia Town Hall.

Chair Comnick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

AGENDA, MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT & BILLS

- A. SUPERVISOR ROLL CALL: Chair Kevin Comnick, Supervisor Dieryck, and Supervisor Erikson were present.
- **B.** AGENDA: Motion made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.
- C. MINUTES: Motion made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the April 2, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes, Re-Organization Meeting Minutes, and Regular Meeting Minutes; April 30, 2025 LBAE Meeting Minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.
- D. TREASURER'S REPORT:
 - a. Treasurer Sample stated the claims and desposits for the month, as well as the cash balance.
 - b. Treasurer Sample stated that the North Shore Bank CD for \$109,066.55 is maturing. He recommended a 9 month 4.25% investment. He stated that the Members Cooperative Credit Union CD for \$55,261 is maturing. He recommended a 13 month 4% investment. Motion made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Penny Dieryck to invest \$109,066.55 into a North Shore Bank CD for 9 months at 4.25% and invest \$55,261 into a Members Cooperative Credit Union for 13 months at 4%. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.
 - c. Treasurer Sample recommended that the town put \$200,000 into a CD with 75% invested in a North Shore Bank 4.25% CD and 25% invested in a Members Cooperative Credit Union 4% CD. The board discussed cash flow and this recommendation will be addressed at the next board meeting.
 - **d.** The board was in agreement to approve the Employee Reimbursement Form recommended by Treasurer Sample.
 - **e. Motion** made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.
- **E. PAY BILLS: Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Kevin Comnick to pay bills # 23099–23128 and EFT2025-8, EFT2025-9, EFT2025-10. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Pike Lake Golf and Beach Club: A. Anderson requested that the Town of Canosia approve their annual liquor license. **Motion** made by Jeff Erikson, seconded by Penny Dieryck to approve the 2025-26 liquor license of the Pike Lake Golf and Beach Club. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. PLANNING AND ZONING: Chairman Comnick stated that there are no VRBO limits in St. Louis County and that the Town of Canosia might want to look into further limiting them in the future and how that might work.
- **B.** FIRE RELIEF: Supervisor Dieryck shared the account balance and that they are still waiting on their annual report.

C. FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- a. Chief Stevens stated that he is very concerned about the Kaski development on Martin Road. He stated that there are multiple code reasons why the building needs a sprinkler system. He is requesting that the board send a letter to the county requesting that the developer follow the law. The board discussed their concerns with the development. Chairman Comnick stated that he would send a letter to Ryan Logan at St. Louis County requesting that the permit be put on hold under the development follows the law.
- b. Chief Stevens stated that they had a refresher on incident command and management of radio training. They also had a HIPPA refresher and held a driving class for everyone. He stated that they are currently working on a Active Shooter exercise at the Pike Lake Elementary School scheduled for the afternoon of May 28, 2025. Chairman Comnick stated that they provide food or something for the different agencies attending the training. Clerk Madoll stated that she would post the event on the website.
- c. **Motion** made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Penny Dieryck to approve Resolution 2025-7 to accept a \$50 donation to the Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.
- d. **Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Kevin Comnick to approve Resolution 2025-8 to accept a \$551.30 in donations to the Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.
- e. Supervisor Erikson recommended that Chief Stevens get a lock to secure the trailer as there have been breakins in the area.

2025 FIRE DEPT. RESPONSES			
Call Type	APRIL #'s	Notes	Total for 2025
EMS	5		42
Medical MUA	1	GL FD	2
Twp Fire	1	CO2 ALARM	4
MUA Fire	2	GL FD AND RL FD	9
Service	0		0
TOTAL	8		56

- **D. ROADS:** Chairman Comnick stated that they will be doing the road tour and bringing recommendations to the next board meeting.
- **E. RECYCLE SHED:** Supervisor Dieryck stated that she will call Asphalt of Duluth to order the tennis court filler. The board briefly discussed the culvert by the back field and soccer field.
- F. RECREATION AREA: Supervisor Dieryck stated that she is working on a tennis court repair quote.
- G. CEMETERY: Supervisor Erikson stated that there are a couple of names to be added to the plaque. He also stated that the driveway should be looked at to see about crack filling. Chairman Comnick stated that they should look into placing a bench with some cement in front of the columbarium. Supervisor Erikson and Road Foreman Oswell will both seek quotes. Road Foreman Oswell stated that he is working with Great Lake Stone concerning the Olson family bench.
- H. PLAWCS: none
- I. MAINTENANCE: Supervisor Erikson stated that the rooms inside the garage were complete. Chief Stevens stated that he will contact someone to repair the pipe that's sitting in the main hallway.
- **J. AIS:** Chairman Comnick stated that training is complete and inspectors are starting over the weekend. He stated that the supplies are prepared.
- K. RECORD RETENTION: Motion made by Kevin Comnick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to recommend the removal of the documents listed in the Records Destruction Report 001 as presented by Treasurer Sample and Clerk Madoll. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck, and Jeff Erikson voted in favor. The board discussed the removal of the green benches in the hallway.
- L. RENTAL POLICY: Supervisor Erikson will bring recommendations to the next meeting.
- M. TRAILS: Supervisor Dieryck stated that she would walk the trails and report back.
- N. NOXIOUS WEEDS: Chairman Comnick stated that they received new literature concerning the lupines.

NEW BUSINESS

CPR Training: Chairman Comnick stated that the training agreement needs to be signed and Supervisor Dieryck offered to sign it.

COORESPONDENCE: Driveway Permit Application, Thank You from Hermantown Class '25, Duluth Township Newsletter, Town of Fredenberg Newsletter

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Jeff Erikson, seconded by Penny Dieryck, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Kevin Comnick, Penny Dieryck and Jeff Erikson voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Madolf, Cler

June 4, 2025

APPROYED:

Kevin L. Comnick, Town Board Chair

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