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

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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 4, 2024**

**ATTENDING:** Chair Kevin Connick, Supervisor Penny Dieryck, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, Clerk Amber Madoll, Deputy Clerk Jen Brunette, Treasurer Neil Sample, Fire Chief Gene Stevens, Asst Fire Chief Clyde Mortinsen, Road Foreman Gary Oswell, and 2 guests. The meeting was held in person and virtually at the Canosia Town Hall.

Chair Connick 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 Connick, Supervisor Penny Dieryck, and Supervisor Jeff 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. Jeff Erikson, Penny Dieryck, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- C. MINUTES: Motion** made by Jeff Erikson, seconded by Penny Dieryck to approve the August 7, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Jeff Erikson, Penny Dieryck, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- D. TREASURER'S REPORT:**
  - a. Treasurer Sample stated that the Circle K account was suspended because the previous Treasurer misinterpreted their invoice, late charges were incurred, and they were missed. Treasurer Sample stated that he tried to get some of the late payments waived due to the confusion but Circle K would not budge. Chairman Connick stated that considering how long the relationship had been with Circle K and the amount of use on the cards, he expected better service. Board is in agreement to switch vendors from Circle K to Speedway. Clerk Madoll will look into securing new fuel cards for the fire department.
  - b. Treasurer Sample stated that the signing card for MCCU needs to be updated. He stated that he would bring in the materials for everyone to sign at the next board meeting.
  - c. Treasurer Sample stated that the bank accounts for each bank are limited in coverage and he wanted to know if the board was interested in additional insurance at no charge to make sure the CD's were covered. The board requested that he look into the options and report back at the next month.
  - d. **Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Kevin Connick to approve the treasurer's report as written. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Jeff Erikson, Penny Dieryck, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- E. PAY BILLS: Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to pay bills # 22839–22891 and EFT2024-11 and EFT2024-12. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Jeff Erikson, Penny Dieryck, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**A. PLANNING AND ZONING:** None.

**B. FIRE RELIEF:** None.

**C. FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- a. Chief Stevens shared his monthly report where he stated the monthly responses, as well as, that they had a class on ventilation and flash overs. They also had a landing zone class with Life Link 3 landing at the baseball field.
- b. Chief Stevens stated that Fire Prevention week is October 8<sup>th</sup> and they will have their open house on that evening at Pike Lake Elementary. He also stated that the school's PIE will be holding a fun family race in September.

2024 FIRE DEPT. RESPONSES			
Call Type	AUGUST #'s	Notes	Total for 2024
EMS	13		120
Medical MUA	0		8
Twp Fire	1	Fire outside	16
MUA Fire	2	Hermantown FD, Proctor FD	20
Service	0		0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>		<b>164</b>

**D. ROADS:** Chairman Cornnick stated that the dust control project is complete. He stated that there shouldn't be any needed road repairs in 2025, except maybe adding a bit of gravel. He stated there is only one culvert left to do and maybe some brush cutting. The board discussed the importance of residents cutting back their brush. Supervisor Dieryck will work on an article for the next newsletter to remind residents to help cut it back.

**E. RECYCLE SHED:** Supervisor Dieryck stated that she is concerned about the placement of the bins because the wind keeps knocking the doors open. Road Foreman Oswell stated that they are there due to snowplowing. Chairman Cornnick recommended bungee cords to keep them closed. The board discussed the concern over residents leaving trash beside the bins. Supervisor Dieryck will look into the concern further.

**F. RECREATION AREA:** Supervisor Dieryck stated that she will let everyone know when the cement will be laid for the new pavilion. She stated that the bricks will be pulled and put in the garage for sorting. Clerk Madoll will contact Hartels to have the dumpster removed and Brent's Biffies to have the portable bathroom removed from the Carmen Way's Landing. Supervisor Erikson stated that the Proctor Baseball Club were working on the drainage concerns on the front field. He stated that they have been in talks about where a batting cage could go in the future and that communication has been going well. The board discussed that a cable was damaged on the pickleball court but has since been repaired. There is a non-functioning camera, so who caused the damage could not be determined.

**G. CEMETERY:** None.

**H. PLAWCS:** None.

**I. BUILDING MAINTENANCE:** None.

**J. AIS:** Supervisor Cornnick stated that the AIS program will be ending in about a week. He stated that they had an end of year lunch with all of them agreeing to come back in 2025 and that the season went really well. Treasurer Sample provided a brief summary on how much of the grant would be carried into next year.

**K. ELECTION RECAP:** Clerk Madoll stated that there were 215 people who voted, not including absentee, and that was on average with other townships. She stated that the township will continue to use paper rosters while the other townships continue to work out the kinks in the digital rosters.

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- L. ARPA PROJECTS:** Treasurer Sample stated that the fund has been exhausted. He will handle the closing up of the funding and reporting requirements.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **MAT:** Chairman Connick stated that he was re-elected to represent District 10 on the MAT board.  
B. **ESC:** The board was in agreement that the town supervisors should be the one reviewing camera footage.  
C. **Check 22888:** Motion made by Kevin Connick, seconded by Penny Dieryck to void check 22888 dated 9.4.2024 due to an error in who it was written out to. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Jeff Erikson, Penny Dieryck, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.

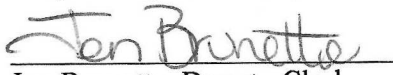
**COORESPONDENCE**

Fredenberg Newsletter, a letter from St. Louis County concerning an upcoming CUP hearing on 5730 Alder Road

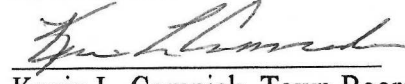
**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Kevin Connick, seconded by Jeff Erikson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously, 3 – 0. Jeff Erikson, Penny Dieryck, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Jen Brunette, Deputy Clerk  
October 2, 2024

APPROVED:

  
Kevin L. Connick, Town Board Chair  
October 2, 2024