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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**  
**January 8, 2025**

**ATTENDING:** Chair Kevin Connick, Supervisor Penny Dieryck, Supervisor Jeff Erikson, Clerk Amber Madoll, Treasurer Neil Sample, Fire Chief Gene Stevens, 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 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. Penny Dieryck, Jeff Erikson, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- C. MINUTES: Motion** made by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the December 4, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes making sure that the 5 year wait period is removed and the December 4, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes making sure that the fire department monthly numbers reflects 13. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Penny Dieryck, Jeff Erikson, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- D. TREASURER'S REPORT:**
  - a.** Treasurer Sample stated that he had cancelled the Circle K gas cards but kept the account open. Therefore, he was able to order new gas cards and they should be coming in soon. He limited them to gas purchases only.
  - b.** Treasurer Sample stated that he talked with Mr. Anderson at the Proctor School District and they have approved an annual donation to the township of \$1,500 to help cover the use of the recreation area. He also stated that the township needs to finish using the referendum funds before Mr. Anderson retires. The board was in agreement to apply the funds towards the new pavilion.
  - c.** Treasurer Sample explained that the township invoiced PLAWCS for WLSSD but to the wrong address. It's been resolved and PLAWCS will have a check for the board to approve at their next meeting per Frye.
  - d. Motion** made by Kevin Connick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Penny Dieryck, Jeff Erikson, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- E. PAY BILLS: Motion** made by Jeff Erikson, seconded by Penny Dieryck to pay bills # 22957-22999 and EFT2024-19 and EFT2024-20. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Penny Dieryck, Jeff Erikson, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** none

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. PLANNING AND ZONING:** none
- B. FIRE RELIEF:** Chief Stevens stated that the balance is approximately 735K.

**C. FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

- a. Chief Stevens stated that they had a medical training refresher.
- b. Motion made by Kevin Connick, seconded by Jeff Erikson to approve Resolution 2025-1 which accepted three donations on behalf of the fire department. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Penny Dieryck , Jeff Erikson, and Kevin Connick voted in favor.
- c. Chief Stevens stated that the federal grant was submitted.

2024 FIRE DEPT. RESPONSES			
Call Type	DECEMBER #'s	Notes	Total for 2024
EMS	7		162
Medical MUA	1	GL FD	13
Twp Fire	0		22
MUA Fire	0		29
Service	0		0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>226</b>

- D. ROADS:** Road Foreman Oswell stated that his liability insurance for plowing has gone up significantly. He would like to know if the township would be willing to do a minimum monthly snowplowing allotment whether it snows or not. This would help him cover his insurance. Chairman Connick stated that the board would think about it. He understands that it would help protect Oswell from a potential loss in revenue, however, the board would need to discuss the issue further. He asked that Oswell send him the last five years of his invoices that he billed the township. Wallace stated that the township could set the minimum payment as what the monthly insurance would be, and then pay him more if it snowed.
- E. RECYCLE SHED:** Treasurer Sample stated that the number of customers visiting the recycling shed increased to 5,781 in 2024. He stated that he received the grant application today and will begin to work on it. Chairman Connick stated that they will need to request an increase to help cover the increase in expenses.
- F. RECREATION AREA:** none.
- G. CEMETERY:** none
- H. PLAWCS:** Chairman Connick stated that he talked with Mr. Anderson from the Pike Lake Golf and Beach Club. He stated that Mr. Anderson advised him that he was considering 85 housing units. He stated that he advised him that it was far more than what was approved by PLAWCS and he asked him what he planned to do and he stated that Mr. Anderson stated that he would purchase a tank if needed. Supervisor Dieryck stated that the Joint Powers Agreement and Bylaws were updated and signed.
- I. MAINTENANCE:** Chairman Connick stated that the Dieryck’s painted the townhall bathrooms and hallway and that both areas looked great. Clerk Madoll stated that the pest plan with Plunkett’s is in place. L. Erikson stated that the bathroom’s auto buttons are going off because they are triggered by the sun. He and Supervisor Erikson will work on a solution. The board discussed and was in agreement to purchase a battery tender to keep the batteries on the mower functioning.
- J. ELECTIONS:** Clerk Madoll reminded the board of candidacy filing and election deadlines. Chairman Connick stated that Erikson will be re-running.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Fine Sharing:** Chairman Connick stated that Orman was supposed to update the fine sharing agreement with the county but that based on his conversations with them, it still needs to be done. Orman will work on the process and requirements to get the agreement back in place.

- B. **Newsletter:** Chairman Cornick stated that he will write something about residents watching for community vandalism. Supervisor Dieryck stated that she would write something about the recreation area.
- C. Supervisor Erikson stated that he will contact the Proctor Baseball Club about coming to spring meetings to discuss their plans.

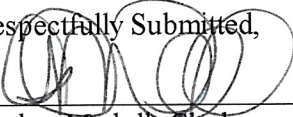
**COORESPONDENCE**

Solway Newsletter, Thank You from MN Association of Townships, Duluth Township Newsletter, SLC Floodplain Ordinance, Fredenberg Newsletter, MAT Dues Invoice

**ADJOURNMENT**

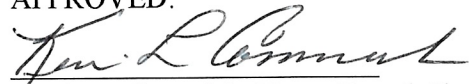
Motion by Penny Dieryck, seconded by Jeff Erikson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously, 3-0. Penny Dieryck, Jeff Erikson, and Kevin Cornick voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amber Madoll, Clerk  
February 5, 2025

APPROVED:



Kevin L. Cornick, Town Board Chair  
February 5, 2025