

Approved Minutes

CROOKED LAKE TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES – October 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7PM and The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Members present: Jim Thielen, Connie Glass, Pat Bennington, Mark Skjolsvik, Tim Donnay, LeAnn Werner, and Terri Datzman.

Citizens present: David Thompson, Cindy Thompson, Lynn Remington, Jim Remington, Denise Gorsuch, Brian Palkovich, Bob Eddy (RALALA), Jan and Mark Mosman (RALALA), Dan Johnson, Perry May, Alan Jacobson, Tim Stroebel

Note: Meeting is being recorded and retained by the Clerk for preparation of minutes and will be deleted.
Note: The Treasurer, CLVFD, OQR and Road Reports are now on agenda and are reviewed during meeting.

MOTION GLASS, 2ND BENNINGTON TO ACCEPT 09/09/21 MINUTES. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer Report: September 2021 beginning balance \$344,105.15 + receipts \$22,721.20 – disbursements \$35,259.68 (outstanding checks \$801.66) = ending balance \$332,368.33, balances to bank. IRS 941 3rd quarter tax filing completed 10/13/2021. MN Unemployment Ins. wage 3rd quarter report completed 10/13/2021.

CLVFD Report: Fire Chief, Nick Usherwood. Incidents: -Fire/Accident 1, medical 9. Equipment: Used radios have been received and programmed, the safety railings have been received and installed, 635 has a hard start issue, has been taken in to get fixed. Training: Auto Extrication. Firefighter/1st Responder injured on call will be out 6-12 weeks.

OQR Report: Chief Terri Datzman: calls – medical – 7, trauma – 1, lift assist – 2, for a total of 10. Training with CLVFD, Auto Extrication, and with CRMC hunting accidents, bleeding/tourniquet. 1st Responder injured on call filed Work Comp claim.

Received Court findings in Spurgin case. Findings in favor of CLT with prejudice. “The court considered all evidence and testimony presented at hearing. While the Plaintiff obviously feels harmed; there wasn’t sufficient evidence presented to create liability on behalf of defendant(s).” Thanks to Nick Usherwood and Pat Bennington for diligence in this situation.

Bob Eddy (RALALA) spoke regarding a letter they are proposing to send to Enbridge, asking for support in water testing to include any possible leaks/spills that may result from Line 3 pipeline close to Roosevelt Lake. Lake Washburn and City of Emily supported their efforts to connect with Enbridge. Town residents had communicated concerns at Annual Meeting as process was in planning stages. Jan Mossman stated residents would volunteer to monitor water quality CLVFD is trained to cordon off area and try to contain any Hazmat spill and has received information that Enbridge purchased equipment that will be stored in our area for containment. Skjolsvik indicated good working relationship with Enbridge over construction period and was hesitant to include CLT, but agrees with water quality testing. MOTION SKJOLSVIK, 2ND DONNAY TO INSTRUCT CLERK TO WRITE A LETTER THAT CLT SUPPORTS RALALA EFFORTS TO DISCUSS PROCEDURES FOR WATER QUALITY TESTING FOR LINE 3 PIPELINE PRODUCTS LEAK/SPILL WITH ENBRIDGE. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Road and Equipment Report: Class 5 is all done, the guys are preparing the roads for winter, a resident on Shady Lane posted a comment on Facebook about the township blowing leaves and causing a sandblasting effect on their pontoon cover and their home. I went and looked at it and there was no problem, a resident on West Leavitt Lake owns property next to a Road Parcel Ending in Lakes and there are a couple of dead trees that are likely to fall on his property and he would like permission to go ahead and cut them down. Board gives permission for these dead trees to be cut down.

Road Parcels Ending in Lakes was discussed. Skjolsvik asked what power CLT has regarding actual enforcement. In past, CLT has written a letter to resident parking possessions on RPEL and asked them to be removed and has had compliance. Concern is blocking the access to the lake, as that is what the purpose of these RPEL have. RPEL was discussed at MAT training, Donnay forwarded answers received from lawyer making presentation. Donnay inspected parcel in question 10/14/21, boat and trailer were removed, as well as woodpile.

MOTION SKJOLSVIK, 2ND BENNINGTON TO PAY SURVEY AND TREATMENT INVOICES AUTHORIZED BY AIS LAKES AND SHORES COMMITTEE. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Regarding Sunset Hill Rd. ATV trail and complaints CLT and Over The Hill Gang (OTHG) ATV Club has received from Sunset Hill Road residents, OTHG can look at possible alternate route. MOTION DONNAY, 2ND GLASS TO ASK ATV CLUB AND CASS COUNTY TO LOOK AT POTENTIAL ALTERNATIVE TRAIL ROUTES TO DECREASE ATV TRAFFIC ON SUNSET HILL RD. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED. Perry May stated this is usually a 6-month process involving discussion with County Land Dept., DNR, any highway dept. CLT received question regarding old map of section 24 with a trail marked, Bennington to research and reply to County.

Donnay researched cold storage building costs. These must be approved by residents at a special meeting, or at Annual meeting or a letter of indebtedness filed to get a loan. The cost of this would probably need to increase levy. This will be presented at 2022 Annual meeting. Donnay to ask how long the prices would be honored. Donnay withdrew proposed motions for preparing the site until approval by residents.

MOTION SKJOLSVIK, 2ND DONNAY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-15 ESTABLISHING POLLING PLACE FOR 2022 AS CROOKED LAKE TOWNHALL. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED. Received Cass County Redistricting Plan, Glass to research if any changes apply to CLT.

MOTION SKJOLSVIK, 2ND BENNINGTON TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2021-14 ACCEPTING DONATION FROM CHAMBER OF \$16,000.00 - \$8000 DONATION TO CLVFD AND \$8000 TO OQR AND \$10,000 REIMBURSEMENT FOR JANUARY FIREWORKS, AND \$960.00 REIMBURSEMENT FOR AL'S SEWER AND \$732.33 REIMBURSEMENT FOR PARTYTIME RENTAL FOR OCTOBERFEST, AND \$3200.00 DONATION FROM EMILY FIREMAN'S RELIEF FUND TO CLVFD MAJOR EQUIPMENT FUND. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Reports: **SKJOLSVIK**-October 26 will be attending Emergency Management Meeting. October 27 there will be a Dust Control Committee meeting 9:30AM at Townhall. **THIELEN**-ARPA funds can cover laptops for CLT Board in regards to Zoom meetings. Better use of networking and document storage that can be passed to next Supervisor after election. Board agrees to have Thielen get pricing. **DONNAY**-defective playground parts are under warranty and will be shipped when available, CLT to install. Attended Hazard Mitigation Meeting. Plan must be reviewed every 5 years by major stakeholders.

Clerk Report: Cass County Redistricting, Question regarding section 24 were addressed

Citizen Report: nothing brought up

MOTION BENNINGTON, 2ND DONNAY TO AUTHORIZE OCTOBER 2021 PAYROLL CHECK NUMBERS 19760-19771 TOTAL \$10,368.47. CLAIMS #18802-18835 CHECK NUMBERS 19772-19805 TOTAL \$75,440.28, ACH363 IRS \$2,621.03, ACH364 PERA \$1,727.91, ACH365 MN STATE QUARTERLY TAX \$695.75. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION DONNAY, 2ND THIELEN TO ADJOURN AT 8:33PM. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.



Mark Skjolsvik, Chairman Supervisor, Crooked Lake Township

11-11-2021

Date



Terri Datzman, Clerk, Crooked Lake Township

11-11-21

Date