

NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP
Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2024

Motion by Fox to have Curtiss run the meeting in Mindel's absence; Support – Marchiando; approved by all.

Curtiss called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and began with the pledge of allegiance. Kory Mindel was absent; all other members were present.

Marchiando made a motion to approve the agenda, Support – Fox; approved by all.

Fox made a motion to approve the January 2024 regular meeting minutes and January 2024 Election Commission meeting minutes, Support – Galinski; approved by all.

6. Local Government: None

7. Public Comment: 1. Ian Kabell – Coldwater Lake sewer; 2. Jerry Kabell – Coldwater Lake sewer; 3. Kim Lavigne – Coldwater Lake sewer; 4. Mary Harter – Coldwater Lake sewer; 5. Anne Groves – Coldwater Lake sewer; 6. Jeff Dyer – Coldwater Lake sewer; 7. Jason Carrick – assessor question; 8. Ralph Groves – Coldwater Lake sewer; 9. Diana Pitts – Coldwater Lake sewer; 10. Lisa Jackson – Coldwater Lake sewer.

8. Treasurer's Report and Authorization to Pay Bills - Checking account: \$26,767.90, Savings account: \$517,664.75; Online Bill Pay: \$1.96; Sewer Checking: \$312,661.59; Sewer Construction Checking: \$0.00; Sewer Debt Retirement: \$342,475.30; USDA Restricted RRI: \$86,231.07; CD's: \$697,652.99; Sewer Savings: \$504,354.41 Motion by Fox to approve the treasurer's report and to authorize the payment of the monthly bills; Support – Marchiando; approved by all.

9. Board Reports

A. Fire Department Report – Galinski reported that the fire board discussed two trucks that need tanks replaced and one truck that will need to be recertified or replaced in the next 7-8 years. A joint fire board budget hearing will be held on Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the fire hall.

B. Council of Governments/Isabella MTA meeting – Curtiss reported that the County did a presentation on the millage request at the January local MTA meeting and the brining of gravel roads and pending EGLE rules were also discussed.

C. Winter Tax Collection Report (Treasurer) – Galinski reported that she had collected taxes on a little under 600 properties that totaled a little over \$2 million dollars so far.

D. February 27, 2024, Election report (Clerk) – Curtiss reported that 252 absentee ballots had been sent out thus far and reminded voters that 9 days of early voting starts on Saturday, February 17, 2024, from 8-4 pm at the Stadium Mall (for all voters in 15 townships; Union Twp and the City of MP are in a different location on CMU's campus). Curtiss also let everyone know that most Nottawa Township voters are NOT voting on the Aquatic Center millage and if it passes it will not be on their taxes. Only our Mt.

Pleasant School District voters will have that on their ballot and will have it on their taxes if it passes.

10. Old Business

A. Beal City/Coldwater Lake Sewer Project – No updates for Beal City; Work continues on final engineering plans, resolutions of necessity and permits for Coldwater Lake.

B. Weidman Sewer Project – Testing has begun on sites on the Nottawa Township side of Woodruff Road. 10 sites were tested – 6 tested ok and 4 were way over the e coli limits. Testing will take place weekly for the next month.

11. New Business

A. Resolutions of Necessity (4) for Coldwater Lake sewer project – Curtiss read the four resolutions aloud and took roll call votes following each.

A1. Resolution of Necessity 2024-2 – Fox made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented, Support – Galinski; roll call vote: Marchiando -yes, Galinski – yes, Fox – yes, Curtiss – yes, Mindel – absent. The Clerk declared the resolution adopted.

A2. Resolution of Necessity 2024-3 – Fox made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented, Support – Galinski; roll call vote: Marchiando -yes, Galinski – yes, Fox – yes, Curtiss – yes, Mindel – absent. The Clerk declared the resolution adopted.

A3. Resolution of Necessity 2024-4 – Fox made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented, Support – Galinski; roll call vote: Marchiando -yes, Galinski – yes, Fox – yes, Curtiss – yes, Mindel – absent. The Clerk declared the resolution adopted.

A4. Resolution of Necessity 2024-5 – Fox made a motion to adopt the resolution as presented, Support – Galinski; roll call vote: Marchiando -yes, Galinski – yes, Fox – yes, Curtiss – yes, Mindel – absent. The Clerk declared the resolution adopted.

B. County special assessment for Mill Pond dam repairs – Mindel attended a meeting with County officials and the Drain Commissioners office. They are asking for a special assessment on properties around the Mill Pond to do repairs on the dam. They asked for an easement from the Township on the property to the east of the dam and Mindel suggested to them we would be interested in selling it to them for a nominal price.

C. Road Commission 2024 road projects – Curtiss attended a meeting at the road commission. They are planning paving and chip sealing projects on Beal City Road, Meridian Road, Baseline Road and one mile of Jordan Road using APEX funds. They are not asking for township funds for that project.

D. Spring 2% projects – The board discussed possible 2% projects including road work on Winn Road (Rosebush to Vernon) and putting a drinking fountain with bottle filler at the park. For the road project we discussed a township contribution of \$20,000-\$40,000 depending on whether they do one mile or both miles.

E. Principal only payment on USDA loans (Beal City) – Fox made a motion to pay off USDA loan 92-01 in full, support – Marchiando; approved by all.

12. Adjournment – Fox made a motion to adjourn; Support – Galinski, meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Next meeting – Monday, March 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

- These minutes will be approved at the March 4th board meeting.