

NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP
Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 5, 2024

Mindel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm; all members were present.

Fox made a motion to approve the agenda, Support - Galinski; motion passed.

Fox made a motion to approve the July 2024 meeting minutes and the July 2024 Election Commission minutes, Support – Galinski; motion passed.

6. Local Government: None

7. Public Comment: 1. Jerry Kabell – Support for the Aug. 6 millage proposals; 2. Patty Carrick – open trustee position; 3. Ian Kabell – Coldwater Lake sewer & open trustee position; 4. Jason Carrick – Coldwater Lake sewer; 5. Jillaine Marquis – Coldwater Lake sewer; 6. Abe Pasch – open trustee position; 7. Steve Morgenstern – stolen campaign signs; 8. Kim Lavigne – Coldwater Lake sewer.

8. Treasurer’s Report and Authorization to Pay Bills – General checking: \$47,503.88, General savings: \$687,013.98; Online Bill Pay: \$4.71; Sewer Checking: \$186,371.42; Sewer Construction Checking: \$0.00; Sewer Debt Retirement: \$283,730.37; USDA Restricted RRI: \$91,511.00; Sewer CD Savings: \$714,477.34; Sewer Savings: \$515,512.11; Sewer Good Faith Savings: \$2,267.70. Curtiss reviewed the monthly bills. Fox made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report and to authorize the payment of the monthly bills; Support – Galinski; motion passed.

9. Board Reports

A. Fire Department Report – 2 firefighters will be attending the training on silo recoveries; the FD would like to submit a 2% request to help pay for bullet proof vests which are needed for active shooter situations.

B. Council of Governments/Isabella MTA meeting – Curtiss gave an update on what may happen if the county/township/RESD millage renewal does not pass at the Aug. 6th election.

C. Treasurer’s Report – None

D. Clerk’s Report – Curtiss gave a report on early voting and absentee ballot voting for Tuesday’s election and reminded everyone that in person voting on Tuesday runs from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

10. Old Business

A. Beal City/Coldwater Lake Sewer Project – Beal City - Mediation took place on July 9, 2024 – there was no settlement. We are waiting for pretrial/trial dates. Coldwater Lake – We are waiting for an EGLE permit and for a court action to be filed regarding the Country Lane properties that haven’t signed their private road easements. The one outstanding permanent easement has been signed and delivered to the township.

B. Weidman Sewer Project – We are waiting for our “next steps” letter from EGLE.

C. **Cemetery Ordinance Review** – tabled to September 2024 meeting.

11. New Business

A. Winn Road Project proposal – Mindel reviewed the Winn Road project proposal from the road commission; Fox made a motion to approve the proposal; Support – Galinski; motion approved.

B. September USDA Loan Payment – We discussed whether to make a principal only payment. We made a principal only payment in March 2024 which paid off the small loan. Fox made a motion to wait until March 2025 to possibly make another principal only payment; Support – Galinski; motion approved.

C. Over budget items – Fox made a motion to approve adding the 2% money received in May 2024 to the income side of the budget and the money awarded to the Weidman Business Association for Mitchell Park to the expense side of the budget; Support – Galinski; motion approved.

D. Fall 2% request – The Fall 2% application is due September 30, 2024, we will be asking for funding for Winn Road, the walking path at the park and bullet proof vests for the fire department.

E. Township Park Memorial sign – Mindel will work on getting the old foundation dug out and new cement poured at the end of this week.

F. Appoint a Temporary Trustee – Fox made a motion to appoint Abe Pasch as a trustee, to serve until new trustees are elected in November; Support – Curtiss; motion approved.

12. Adjournment – Galinski made a motion to adjourn; Support – Fox, meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next meeting – Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

- These minutes will be approved at the Sept. 3rd board meeting.