

Cross Village Township Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 10-01-2024

Present: Supervisor Stephen Keller, Treasurer Marie Garrett, Trustee Howard Wood, Trustee Maria Affhalter, Clerk John Keller

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Cross Village Board was called to order by Steve Keller at 7:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

Agenda: Steve Keller moved to accept the agenda. Trustee Affhalter seconded it. All were in favor and the agenda was approved.

Minutes (September 2024): Trustee Wood moved to approve the September 2024 regular meeting minutes. Clerk John Keller seconded. All were in favor and the September 2024 minutes were approved.

Financial Report: The Clerk's and Treasurer's reports were presented.

Total Bills Paid (September 2024): \$9297.34

After discussion, Supervisor Keller moved to amend the budget for election expenses, increasing the budgeted amount by \$2000.00 (Total budgeted for election expenses: \$2500.00). Maria Affhalter seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote, the results were:

Steve Keller – Yes
Howard Wood – Yes
Maria Affhalter – Yes
John Keller – Yes
Marie Garrett – Yes

All were in favor, and the motion was approved.

Payment of Bills: Steve Keller moved to pay bills totaling \$2956.55. Howard Wood seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Correspondence/Announcements:

- Supervisor Keller noted he'd spoken with a representative of White Pines Electric regarding the timeline for installation of the generator at the fire hall. He was assured it would be installed before winter.

Public Comments:

- Rose Silvey asked if the bathrooms at the Port would be unlocked through the color season. Supervisor Keller said yes.
- George Smolak asked if there was progress on the signs for the bathrooms. Trustee Woods stated they were ordered, but not in yet.
- Debbie Hindle asked if the basketball hoops were installed. Steve Keller said they were delivered, but did not include necessary hardware. He purchased hardware, but it will need some modification to be installed.
- Rose Silvey asked if there was any news on the totem pole. Supervisor Keller said there

was not.

Committee Reports: None

Unfinished Business:

- a. Public Restroom Signs: Discussion of this subject took place during public comment. See above.
- Planning Commission: Linda Rosalik reported that the Planning Commission held its first meeting on October 1, 2024. They formed committees for working out details of the survey, including the logistics of including them with the next tax bill mailings, if that is allowed. Ms. Rosalik continued, noting she'd emailed a Letter of Intent to the Supervisor regarding a grant application from Michigan Office of Rural Prosperity. She believes the Master Plan is very likely to meet the criteria for receiving this grant. She asked if she should put the Supervisor's name on it, and he said yes. Supervisor noted all monies coming through the Planning Commission are Township funds, including cash donations, etc. He asked who was appointed as Chair. Ms. Rosalik stated she was Chair. Supervisor asked who was appointed as Clerk. Ms. Rosalik stated there was no appointment of a clerk. Supervisor reminded everyone that the Planning Commission is subject to all the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, including electronic transmissions such as emails, if they include Commission business.
- b. Old Town Hall, renovation/preservation/remodeling: No discussion occurred.
- c. Tree Trimming on the Bluff – Cross Village Community Services stated they will split the costs for rental (\$450 from CVCC and \$450 from the Township). No schedule is yet fixed, but Trustee Wood stated he'd like to do it in October.
- d. Lights in Reading Room – The Supervisor stated he'd replaced 10 of the 16 lights, and it is significantly brighter in the Reading Room.

New Business:

- Dock Placement – Discussion of placing the dock on the western end of the loop was held. Supervisor Keller said it would be a good idea for people to take a look to get an idea of how placement would look. Howard Wood stated he'd like to have it moved to the end of Waterfront Drive, and that it would be nice to have the breakwall rebuilt too.

Second Public Comment: None

Adjourn Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

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