

NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 6, 2021

The meeting opened at 7:00 with the pledge of allegiance. All members were present

Clerk Curtiss asked that Overbudget items be added to the agenda; Motion – Fox, Support – Marchiando; Agenda approved.

A motion was made by Fox to approve the Aug 2021 minutes, Support – Green; Minutes of last meeting approved.

Local Government: none

Public Comment: 1) **Stu Rau, Carol Quillen & Mrs. Sims** – discussed water issues during heavy rain on the east side of Winn Rd and the need for a catch-basin; 2) **Brian Boge** – discussed timeline for getting the process started to hook up to the sewer; 3) **Dan Endres, Kim Lavigne, Dan Bauer & others** – discussion of the need and desire for a Coldwater Lake sewer system and the current timeline (2023) and timeline of the next public hearing (2022); 4) **Mike & Lisa Jackson** – discussed whether the special assessment attaches to the property or whether they have to pay it in full in order to sell their house in Beal City.

Treasurer's report: Checking \$13,147.18, savings \$509,277.15, sewer checking \$171,553.69, sewer construction \$155,571.44 and CD's \$819,059.95. Motion made by Marchiando to approve the Treasurer's report and approval to pay bills and any bills that come in during the month, Support – Fox; Approved by all.

Fire Report: The new rescue vehicle has been ordered with a probable delivery date of November 2021; one truck may need new tires.

Old Business:

- A. Beal City/Coldwater Lake Sewer Project** – Rothenberger is working on Elias between the school and Winn Rd. and has Elias east of Winn Rd. and Winn Rd. north left to do. The bore under the Chippewa River is done. They discovered a rotting catch-basin near Lorenz's house and the Road Commission is providing some products to replace it. The current timeline is to have all lines in Beal City done by the end of the month.
- B. Sewer ordinance** - The amendments approved at the August meeting were published last month and are now in effect.
- C. Christmas lights** - Curtiss and Green explained the meeting with Consumers and the cost if they do the additional electrical outlets on the poles in Beal City or if we hire Brad Gross to do it. We also discussed that the Township would pay for the electrical work and the decorating committee can put their money towards buying more decorations. Marchiando made the motion to hire Brad Gross to do the work; ask Consumers to run a new electric line where there is currently an extension cord and that we pay for those out of our improvement dollars; Support – Fox; Approved by all.

New Business:

- A. Sept Pay Estimates** – Fox made a motion to pay the September Pay Estimates and the other invoices from Lorenz Surveying & Engineering and Cohl, Stoker, Support – Curtiss; Approved by all.

Mindel presented two change orders:

Contract 1, change order 6 – increased costs (\$2,040.00) due to removal of contaminated water/soil. Motion made by Fox to approve; Support – Curtiss; Approved by all.

Contract 3, change order 6 – increased costs (\$25,083.89) for hitting the unmarked water line in Mt. Pleasant. (Mt. Pleasant has submitted an insurance claim and will/may be reimbursing for this added cost). Motion made by Fox to approve; Support – Curtiss; Approved by all.

- B. 2% Application** – Ideas put forward for the September 2% application – the township cost of the bridge replacement in 2022; paving the parking lots at the park; cost of fixing the floor in the Hall.

- C. New Sewer Accounts** – Curtiss explained the need to create two new sewer savings accounts – one Debt Retirement Fund and one RRI (Replace, Repair, Improve) Fund. The special assessment money and pay offs must go in the Debt Retirement Fund and the township must deposit \$1,116.75 into the RRI fund quarterly. Any portion of the monthly bills allocated towards those two items must also be deposited into those accounts. Motion made by Fox to approve opening these accounts; Support – Marchiando; Approved by all.

- D. Over Budget Items** – Four over budget items were presented by Curtiss. There is enough in contingency to cover all items. Motion by Fox to use contingency to cover items; Support – Green; Approved by all.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Heather A. Curtiss, Clerk