

PORTER TOWNSHIP

July 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Russell with the pledge to the flag

Roll Call: Present were Croninger, Wylie, Russell, Harman with Marlow absent

Minutes: The minutes were reviewed from last month meeting, Wylie made the motion to accept all the minutes with support from Russell all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Treasurers report General fund balance \$426,946.71 savings \$312,220.76 Bair Lake \$24,589.00 total sewer Operations & Maintenance Funds \$41,608.28, Sewer Receiving Funds \$781,743.55. Motion made by Wylie and supported by Harman. All in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Correspondence: were read

SEPSA Report: For the month of April there were the following calls, in Mason 35, Outside the Area 18, Porter Township 41 with a total of 94 calls

Building Report: For the month of March \$937,000.00 in new and remodeling construction.

Bills: Township Bills \$78,221.67, Sewer bills were approved at agenda Motion made by Wylie with support from Croninger to pay the bills. All in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Old Business: Road Contracts Russell made the motion with support from Wylie to table this till next month since we have not received any contracts yet, all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

New Business:

Waumans Land Split: Harman made the motion with support from Wylie to accept the land split, all in favor with Marlow absent

Sewer Board Committee Member: Russell made the motion to accept the application for Kim Evans for Sewer Board Alt with support from Croninger all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

SEMCO Franchise Agreement: SEMCO sent in a new franchise agreement for Porter Township, Harman made the motion to table this till next month so everyone can read the new agreement support from Wylie all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Miscellaneous: None

Sewer Report: Klappauf advised the plant is still doing 10 out of 10 for the budget, There were numerous power outages through out the month due to severe Thunder Storms, there was routine maintenance was also done; pending projects are Septage receiving tank (75,000 gallon holding tank), Waiting on EGLE permit; due to the storms the weekend of 6/18/2021 the Cloth Filter Contractors, Solids Basin Decant Controls, Both Sonar Units in Headworks were damaged an insurance claim as been made expecting an estimate this week on those. The sewer board also would like to make sure that a letter is put in the file of the person on the Northside of Birch Lake that has a shed currently on our sewer pipe.

The sewer board brought 2 motions to the board

Motion 1: The sewer board recommends to the Township Board that the Township Attorney send a letter to Aldino Piraccini, the owner of parcel #14-120-090-008-00 located at 65590 Lakeview DR, Vandalia, MI 49095, instructing him to make the proper accommodations to allow the Township to inspect his sewer connection. Ray Galovich should be contacted when the proper conditions are met. Wylie made the motion to accept this motion from the sewer board and that this needs to be inspect 30 days from the

receipt of the letter from our attorney, support from Harman Roll call was taken; Croninger – yes, Harman – yes, Wylie – yes, Russell – yes, motion carried our attorney will be contacted
Motion 2: The Sewer Board recommends to the Township board to appoint Kim Evans as an Alt member to the Sewer Board no action was taken sine this was approved during the meeting

Septage Report: Nagy advised May had 134,258 gallons of septage which is \$10,405 this is down from last year but there are still several more months left of this year

ZBA report: None

Wetlands Committee: Wylie made the motion that the advisory committee recommends that the Porter Township Board issue a Wetlands permit to Tom Delano for the about described property with the following stipulations: 1. The Current allotted buffer will remain the same dimensions and properly landscaped following construction, 2, The current wetland border will be defined by organic (plantings) or fencing support from Russell all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Planning Commission: Nagy advised the next meeting is Wednesday July 21 at 6:00 p.m. they will have an attorney representing Shady Pines Campground that is located in Porter and Newberg Townships, they would like to convert them to Condo's. He also advised they have sent an invitation to Blake Winstead from EGLE to be at the next meeting also to hear what EGLE's opinion is currently on Bubblers in the state of Michigan, Nagy also advised that Sherriff Benke has issued a statement and what the state statue is for putting buoys in the lake and they are not allowed unless it has been issued a permit from EGLE

County Commissioner: Dyes advised the county is having another cleanup/hazard waste day August 21, 2021 from 9 am to 12 pm. He also advised they are again working on getting something done with the current county building/old courthouse they have architects working with them they are planning on selling the Old Health Department building they believe the clinic will be interested in it. They also have 100 acres that they will timber off and the money from these will be used for the upgrade of the county building. The county is also still working on a county wide ORV ORD the supervisors from all Cass County Townships are meeting to discuss this

Public Comments: Thompson asked 3 questions of the board 1 why have the road contracts not been discussed or signed as of yet – answer the board does not have any of them as of yet, 2 Has there been any special assessments added or will be added for that area – answer no, 3 Has the Township received anything from Shavehead Lake Association regarding weed control – answer no, nothing has been brought to the township

Crutch: Advised that while walking his dog he has someone try to run him and his dog over what can be done as far as getting a Constable or Officer in the Porter Township Area, it was advised that this is something we have been working on but that SEPSA is in charge and it was encouraged that he go to their meeting and tell them this, Dyes advised part of this problem is that no one wants to be part of the community anymore

Motion made by Wylie and supported by Harman to adjourn all in favor motion carried at 8:07 p.m. with Marlow absent

Beth Russell
Porter Township Clerk