

PORTER TOWNSHIP

August 8, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Marlow with the pledge to the flag

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

Minutes: Wylie made the motion with support from Croninger to accept all minutes as presented all in favor motion carried

Treasurers report General fund balance \$441,562.20 Savings \$316,617.81 Bair Lake \$18,443.42 total sewer Operations & Maintenance Funds \$137,818.68, Sewer Receiving Funds \$719,242.07. Motion made by Marlow with supported by Wylie to accept. All in favor motion carried

Correspondence: were read

SEPSA Report: Harman advised they are still trying to get the ambulance they just purchased in service

Building Report: For the month of March \$1,092,000.00 in new and remodeling construction.

Bills: Township Bills \$78,985.07, Sewer bills \$91,794.58 were approved at the agenda, motion made by Marlow with support from Croninger to pay the Township bills. All in favor motion carried

Old Business:

Litter and Vehicle/Machinery Storage Ordinance: Marlow made the motion with support from Wylie to accept this Ordinance as written. Roll call was taken: Wylie – yes, Harman – no, Marlow – yes, Croninger – yes, Russell – yes, motion carried

New Business:

Cornell Land Split/Harper Land Split: Marlow made the motion with support from Croninger to accept both land splits all in favor motion carried

Union Stateline Road Drain Resolution: Cass County Drain Commissioner VanBelle explained why they need to clean the drain so the CCRC can also clean out the culvert to keep the road from flooding. They have estimated the cost at \$20,000 and will cost the township residents 11% of the cost. They currently have approximately \$12,400 in the bank that will go for this project. They need a resolution from the Township to continue. Marlow made the motion with support from Croninger to accept the resolution, roll call was taken Harman – no, Wylie – yes, Marlow – yes, Croninger – yes, Russell – yes, motion carried

Miscellaneous: None

Sewer Report: Klappauf advised during the month of July they had a number of callouts due to power outages from thunder storms, there was a valve actuator that failed they were able to get 2 used actuators to keep on hand. Routine maintenance was done, Post aeration tank was cleaned out on 7-29. They are still working on the new septage receiving tank They still need an Alt for the Sewer Board

Septage Report: Nagy advised June brought in 163,621 gallons of septage they are back on track to be in line with what they had been bringing in the new tank will help with this. They will also be developing a list of equipment that they will need to keep on hand if something should fail as they would like to be proactive with this.

ZBA report: None

Wetlands Committee: None

Planning Commission: Nagy advised the meeting was July 20 they discussed the Lighting Ord repeal and changes, he would also like for the Township to consider having the Ordinances done through a Codification Service using some of the ARPA money that the Township received or to look into a MEC grant

County Commissioner: Dyes advised he has had a good run but will only be with us for 5 more meetings. He advised they have been working on the remodel of the county building and should be completed by the end of the year. He also reminded all that the county will be having a cleanup/tire collection August 17th from 3 pm to 6 pm

Public Comments: A Newvine asked when Baldwin Prairie Rd will be fixed Bellina from CCRC advised this should be done by September.

K Barhydt advised there has been many people on Coverdale Lake that is under the impression that the Vehicle Speed Ordinance currently in place is not strong enough as this is being interpreted as a no plane lake the clerk will check with EGLE on this as the Township will need to do a resolution and send it to EGLE

C Fish Advised that he has contacted EGLE and they have no permits for a bubbler so would like to know what the Township is going to do about that. He also questioned who would enforce the new Lighting Ord, he also asked why Birch Lake has different Ord regarding Piers and boats. He would like to see all the Ord for all lakes the same

Motion made by Croninger and supported by Harman to adjourn all in favor
motion carried at 7:00 p.m.

Beth Russell
Porter Township Clerk