

PORTER TOWNSHIP

June 13, 2023

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

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

Minutes: Wylie made the motion with support from Russell to accept all minutes all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Treasurers report General fund balance \$555,812.80 Savings \$271,725.83 Bair Lake \$32,324.45 total sewer Operations & Maintenance Funds \$75,397.07, Sewer Receiving Funds \$372,813.63 Sewer Revolving Fund \$52,510.84. Motion made by Wylie with supported by Harman to accept. All in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Correspondence: were read

SEPSA Report: No report

Building Report: For the month of November \$4,038,000.00 in new and remodeling construction.

Bills: Township Bills \$217,207.45, Cass County Road Commission \$19,867.52 paid from ARPA funds Croninger made the motion with support from Russell to pay the Township bills all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent; Sewer bills \$52,510.55 were approved at the agenda meeting

Old Business:

Jaworski Land Split: Russell made the motion with support from Croninger to accept this land split. All in favor with Marlow absent

North Drive: Wylie made the motion with support from Croninger to table this till next month since there are still no updates all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

New Business:

Nancy DuFour: DuFour gave a presentation on why she would like to get Ancestry.com for 6 months to help with finding information on death certificates as well as Vets and what wars they were in. Croninger made the motion with support from Harman to let her have a 6-month trial all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Bell/Mallo Land Split: Harman made the motion with support from Wylie to accept the land split all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Resolution for Adjustment of July & December BOR Dates Croninger made the motion with support from Russell to accept the changing of the dates All in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Resolution for Long Lake for Mute Swan Management: Russell made the motion with support from Harman to let Long Lake in Union, MI have a resolution to be taken to the DNR so they can work with the DNR regarding the management and control program regarding Mute Swans for a period of 5 years all in favor with Marlow absent

Resolution for Sewer Dept Fund Transfer & Payback: Croninger made the motion with support from Wylie to accept the resolution to transfer funds from the Township General Funds/Money Market of \$150,000.00 to purchase equipment that needs repaired to keep the Sewer Treatment Plant running, roll call was taken, Croninger – aye, Wylie – aye, Russell – aye, Harman – nay, with Marlow absent motion carried

Baldwin Lake Triathlon: Schirott from Baldwin Lake along with Mary advised they will be having another triathlon this year on July 29, 2023. Last year they had about 72 people and are hoping for up to 100 this year, they will have Sunset Blvd closed from Michigan Ave to Wayne St from about 8 am to 10 am they will have bikers, runners as well as swimming from a resident on Sunset Blvd, SEPSA will be there, they will have other roads blocked while they are running/biking, They are asking everyone if you must use these roads please watch for them, last year the Sheriff was also in attendance. This is a fun thing for them so come cheer them on.

Cemetery Convention: Croninger made the motion with support from Harman to send the Clerk, Cemetery Overseer, 2 Sexton to this year's Cemetery Convention all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent.

ESRI Map: Croninger made the motion with support from Harman to pay for this map this is used by the Sewer Dept and the Wetland Committee all in favor motion carried with Marlow absent

Miscellaneous: none

Sewer Report: WWTP continues to operate in excellent condition 10 out of 10 for the bond budget, they are now operating back on both SBR's and meeting NPDES permit limits. SBR PLC fault 5-26 had to manually operate SBR till CT Electric could come on site 5-27 and change out the output card, faulted again on 5-27 back to manually operating partially till 5-30 when Perceptive controls could come onsite to trouble shoot PLC, changed out CPU unit and started up SBR #2 on 5-31. They have placed several orders for parts to maintain the sewer plant's function. They have also ordered what they need for the odor on C-1, C-6, and C-12 lift stations. There are still no changes regarding state grants, most of the Sewer Assessments should be paid off this year and will make them in good standing to pay off the bond next year. A quote was given to the board regarding the parking lot asphalt repair after some discussion it was determined the asphalt will be good for at least 2 or more years so no decision will be made at this time. The Beechwood hookup is complete as well as the cleaning around Birch Lake.

Septage Report: Nagy advised this month they had 144,701 gallons or 11,214 which was an increase, this was a good month all septage haulers dumped this month.

ZBA report: Variance was approved due to the way the lot is configured.

Wetlands Committee: none

Planning Commission: None

County Commissioner: Lee advised Silver Creek is having issues with a new chicken farm going in. they are not in favor but as Lee explained these all have State regulations that must be followed and are usually very strict which also keeps the smell down. Penn is having issues with marijuana growers and the smell of it this is affecting property values making them go down (25%), the old courthouse has a start date of July 12 or 13 they are waiting for funds from Gary Peters office.

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

Beth Russell
Porter Township Clerk