| CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP | |
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| 1499 E. HAMMET ROAD, HART, MI 49420 | |
| APPROVED MINUTES | |
| January 20, 2025 AT 7PM | |
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| Supervisor L. Hyslop called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7pm. | |
| Pledge of Allegiance recited. | |
| Members Present: L. Hyslop, K. Oomen, J. Stevenson, & B. Seymour | CALL TO ORDER |
| Absent: C. Walker | ROLL CALL |
| Guest Present: Ron Smith | |
| Moved by L. Hyslop, Seconded by J. Stevenson to approve prior meeting minutes. | |
| Prior Meeting Minutes: December 16, 2024 | |
| Regular Meeting | MINUTES APPROVED |
| Voice Vote - Motion Carried | APPROVED |
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| Changes made to the agenda: | |
| Cemetery lot buyback – Rydbeck | |
| 2) Farm Road Project – Township participation | |
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| 1a) Moved by J. Stevenson, Seconded by K. Oomen to approve the buyback of cemetery lots and send Mr. Donald Rydbeck and Mrs. Jonette (Ernst) Rydbeck | |
| a check for \$1,100.00. Listed are the lots that were sold back to Crystal | CHANGES TO |
| Township: | AGENDA |
| Cemetery Lot Spaces 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8, in Lot 199, Section 3 Cemetery Lot Spaces 4, 6, 7, & 8 in Lot 200, Section 3 | |
| Voice Vote - Motion Carried | |
| None | CITIZENS |
| | COMMENTS |
| L. Hyslop received a phone call from the attorney from our insurance company | |
| regarding the motorcycle accident on 144 th St here in Crystal Township. She wasn't | |
| getting good responses from the road commission, and wanted to know who to contact | COORESPONDENCE |
| down there. Nobody has stepped up and responded to the guy in Southfield. We reported it to our insurance company as a formality, so we didn't get penalized, | |
| according to our attorney. | |
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| No one from the fire department was present to make a report. | |
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| 1) Grass Fire Truck | |
| a) L. Hyslop asked the board their opinion on the topic. Discussion followed. | |
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| 2) Email Agenda to Chief Purdy | |
| a) L. Hyslop asked if Bethany could email Chief Purdy a copy of the agenda to fremontservices@yahoo.com-fremontfleet@hotmail.com. | FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT |
| iremoniservices@yanoo.com inemonineet@notmaii.com. | KEPOKI |
| 3) Insulation – Fire Department Building | |
| a) L. Hyslop noticed icicles on the fire building and would like to inspect it with | |
| the fire departments help, so he doesn't have to move the fire trucks. | |
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| Zoning Administrator R. Smith reported the following (report was received and placed | |
| on file): | |
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| 1) Zoning Permits Completed – 1 | |
| 2) Zoning Permits Written – 3 | |
| 3) Land Divisions Written - 2 | |
| 4) Fees for Zoning Land DivisionL. Hyslop asked if we should increase our fees. R. Smith said he spoke | ZONING REPORT |
| with Larry Dawn and they are charging \$200.00 for their forms. R. | |
| Smith suggested we could increase our fees to \$75.00 - \$100.00 per | |
| land split. | |
| L. Hyslop asked if we increased our fees, if we should do it for the new | |
| fiscal year? The board agreed. | |
| Clerk B. Seymour reported the following: | |
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| Oceana County Clerk are to meet with the County Clerk, Melanie Coon, to review the 2025-2028 School Election Schedule. A meeting was scheduled for | CLEDV'S DEDORT |
| Friday, January 31, 2025 at 10AM to sign contracts and review the plans. | CLERK'S REPORT |
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| Moved by L. Hyslop, Seconded by K. Oomen to approve October bills in the amount of | |
| \$14,439.73. | REVIEW & PAY BILLS |
| | MOTION FOR |
| Voice Vote - Motion Carried | APPROVAL |
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| L. Hyslop read the Treasurer's report as follows (reports were received and placed on | |
| file): | |
| Financials for December of 2024 | |
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| Beginning Balance: \$315,830.12 | |
| Cash Receipts: \$22,740.92 | TREASUER'S REPORT |
| Bank Interest: \$641.40 | |
| Cash Disbursements: \$14,115.40 | |
| Bank Fees: \$35.00 | |
| Ending Balance: \$325,062.04 | |
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| Supervisor L. Hyslop reported the following: | |
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| 1) RAISE Grant Narrative a. L. Hyslop handed each board member an 8-page packet to review. b. L. Hyslop continued to say: these 8-pages will be sent to Washington on Thursday. It's a narrative of what's been happening for the last year and a half. What started out to be our little Farm Road Project, is now at \$25 million. Crystal will probably get around \$9 million to \$10 million of those \$28 million. And according to Larry Joel Fitzpatrick, who was instrumental in getting the grant for Muskegon Heights, his claim is, is that our grant application looks significantly better than theirs did. So, we'll know in June. 2) Verbal Agreement with Mark Timmer a. L. Hyslop had a conversation with Mark Timmer about 120th. The Road Commission took 120th and ground it up and turned it to gravel. After they quoted us \$8,000.00 to pave it. The road needs a good base. L. Hyslop and Mark Timmer have a verbal agreement that they are going to put 6 inches of slag down, probably for a year. So it gets compacted good and then pave it and it'll be a class A truck road. From 120th from Jefferson to Monroe. Discussion followed. | SUPERVISOR'S REPORT |
| R. Smith made a request for a pay increase, and in the second paragraph it said, " since 2019, I have been paid \$400 per month." It was brought to my attention that it was actually April of 2022, that you got a raise. | OLD BUSINESS a) Zoning Administration Compensation Request - RECORD CHANGE |
| Supervisor L. Hyslop reported the following: I put out a request to two different companies for bids for the transfer station. Waste Management never responded. American Classics did respond, and they said that we're getting such a great deal they couldn't be competitive. Since our current contact with Republic Services expires this month, I'll let you know if their prices have changed. | OLD BUSINESS b) Bid Requests for Transfer Station |
| Supervisor L. Hyslop reported the following: The wish list is to assist the townships and road commissions with annual budgeting projects. Listed should be those that the township is funding or funding jointly with the Road Commission. No roads were added to the wish list at time. | OLD BUSINESS c) Road Work Wish List |
| Motion by L. Hyslop, Seconded by J. Stevenson to amend the amendment Section 12.14 and 12.11, by stating that: All signs must be removed in 30 days after the election, except for signs that are on private property. Supreme Court case in Michigan says that you cannot tell somebody how long they can keep their political sign up. On January 14, 2025, the Planning Commission Board voted to amend section 12.14 by removing the subpart D. Additionally, they decided to simplify the language in section 12.11 to refer solely to political signs. By and large, it says, we can't restrict political signs. Previously, we allowed them to. They could only be up for 30 days after an election. Voice Vote - Motion Carried | NEW BUSINESS a) Zoning Ordinance Change: Re: Political Signs |

| L. Hyslop asked B. Seymour to be the chairman for February's board meeting while he is away. B. Seymour said yes.L. Hyslop also asked B. Seymour to make the proper budget amendments and have them ready for next month's meeting. | NEW BUSINESS b) Budget Amendments for March 2025 |
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| None | PUBLIC COMMENTS |
| Motion by L. Hyslop, Seconded by K. Oomen adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm. Voice Vote. Motion Carried. | ADJOURNMENT |