CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP	
1499 E. HAMMET ROAD, HART, MI 49420	
APPROVED MINUTES	
October 21, 2024 AT 7PM	
Supervisor L. Hyslop called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7pm.	
Pledge of Allegiance recited.	
Members Present: L. Hyslop, C. Walker, K. Oomen, J. Stevenson, & B. Seymour	CALL TO ORDER
Absent: None	ROLL CALL
Guest Present: Gary Gardner, Lynn Gardner, Howard Gardner, Chief Purdy, Adam Herrera & Ron Smith	
Moved by K. Oomen, Seconded by J. Stevenson to approve prior meeting minutes. • Prior Meeting Minutes: September 16, 2024	
Regular Meeting	MINUTES APPROVED
Voice Vote - Motion Carried	
None	CHANGES TO AGENDA
One member of the public mentioned they saw on Facebook about people complaining about the roads not being maintained. L. Hyslop said the Road Commission haven't been grading because it's been too dry. Therefore, the grading doesn't do any good. He was told they'll be doing more grading before the snow season.	CITIZENS COMMENTS
Phone call from a citizen relative to taxes they owe because they claim they had primary resident exemption and they do not. Research is being done by our Assessor and the county. The citizen has filed a complaint.	COORESPONDENCE
Nothing to report. Been quiet.	FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT
Zoning Administrator R. Smith reported the following (report was received and placed on file):	
Randy Miller, Oceana County Building Inspector – The State of Michigan is clamping down on electrical prevent and potentially could cost a new house build anywhere from \$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00. Changes to Plumbing as well.	ZONING REPORT
 New Blight/Junk Request for 1127 E. Jefferson Rd. / Sheryl Fox – R. Smith, asked for township approval to move forward because the cost will be over \$500. Board approved. 	

Clerk B.	Seymour reported the following:	
•	Election Training – Will be attending the last Michigan Election training of the year on Wednesday, October 10, 2024 at 10am at the Elbridge Township Hall. Early Voting – begins October 26 th to November 3 rd , daily at the Oceana County House. Public Accuracy Testing – will be held on Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 2:30pm at the Crystal Township Hall.	CLERK'S REPORT
Moved I	by J. Stevenson, Seconded by K. Oomen to approve October bills in the amount	
of \$34,5	ote - Motion Carried	REVIEW & PAY BILLS MOTION FOR APPROVAL
Treasur	er C. Walker reported the following (reports were received and placed on file):	
Financi	als for August of 2024	
Cash R Bank In	ing Balance: \$338,040.11 eceipts: \$12,957.50 iterest: \$836.17 isbursements: \$9,993.57	TREASUER'S REPORT
	ees: \$20.00	TREASOLK S REFORT
	Balance: \$341,820.21	
	L. Hyslop asked C. Walker when will she start selling garbage cards. She'll start in October 2024. We've sold more than \$14,000.00; that's more than what the bill is for the year. sor L. Hyslop reported the following:	
Supervi	sor E. Hysiop reported the following.	
1)	 CREO a) L. Hyslop and R. Smith attended a CREO meeting at Michigan Community College. Rules had not yet finalized for the CREO. b) MTA held a Zoom meeting no longer supporting the CREO. Instead, they suggest creating a lightly modified zoning ordinance. They're working on getting a template for townships to use. Maybe the Planning Commission will hear from MTA in December or January, and can move forward with developing an ordinance for Renewable Energy. 	
2)	MIO	
	 a) Oceana County was rewarded the Michigan Infrastructure Office Grant for about \$80,000.00. b) Creating a presentation for December or January for the potential of a Raise Grant that will be open in January or late December with a possible deadline of January 28th. They'll be asking \$22,735,000.00 to help with the 	SUPERVISOR'S REPORT
	agriculture roads in Oceana County.	
3)	OCRC	
	 The Road Commission spent \$16 million in 2024 on roads and the grant we're applying for could exceed that amount. 	
4)	Dam / Oceana Co Commission Report / News report dredging cost	
-,	a) The engineer asked for approval to move forward with permits.	
	b) All commissioners approved it.	
	c) L. Hyslop will be challenging one of the commissioners. There was a report in the ECHO that stated the total cost for the dredging was \$1.2 million. No quotes have been that high - that he knew of. The last number from the engineer was \$635,000.00.	

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 Quote was received and placed on file: Jamie Way, owner of WAYFINDERGIS - Memorial mapping services, presented the board with a scope of work and cost for Crystal Township Cemetery / Mt. Ulysses Cemetery for \$20,400.00. Board members agreed to review scope of work and have a discussion at next month's meeting. 	OLD BUSINESS a) Cemetery Proposal
 Jamie Way previously shared with B. Seymour contact information to the Michigan Municipal Cemetery Association. B. Seymour reached out by phone and email and had not received any response. Jamie Way explained that the Michigan Municipal Cemetery Association is a combination of great people (clerks, sextons, etc.) anyone who runs the cemeteries in their area. Pertaining to the liability of headstones, every cemetery is different. It's best to stick to what our ordinance says and what the professionals recommend about cleaning headstones, etc. 	OLD BUSINESS b) Cleaning Liability
 Previously, L. Hyslop and Jamie Way traveled to the cemetery and Jamie did a presentation of a chemical called D2, which is safe for headstones. It was a miraculous product and it took just a few minutes. 	OLD BUSINESS c) D2 - Cleaning Cemetery Headstones
Will continue discussion at the next scheduled board meeting.	OLD BUSINESS d) Long Term Rental
 Moved by L. Hyslop, Seconded by K. Oomen to approve Computer Refinery Inc. to process on making computer upgrades to the Clerk and Treasure's computer and the purchase of a new computer unit for the Zoning Administrator for \$2,600.00 (quote on file). The current configuration of the Clerk's and Treasure's computer do not meet the requirements for Enterprise QuickBooks. Therefore, specific recommendations were listed in the quote for various parts to upgrade both units to meet the demands of the software requirements. The Zoning Administrator's computer is over 12 years old and using a very old processor and will not be compatible with Windows 11 for the next year. Voice Vote - Motion Carried	NEW BUSINESS a) Repair/Replace computers
Moved by K. Oomen, Seconded by J. Stevenson to approve Howard's Lawn Care and Plowing, LLC 2-year bid to provide lawn care services for the township hall, cemetery and fire barn for a total of \$8,000.00 per year (quote on file). • Season begins the 3 rd week of April of 2025 through October 31 st of 2026 Voice Vote - Motion Carried	NEW BUSINESS b) Lawn Proposal

 L. Hyslop reviewed the files for the Transfer Station and couldn't find anyone doing any maintenance on the compactor. A. Herrera remembered his mom (Deb Herrera, previous Crystal Township Clerk) saying something about it and thinks a guy came out and did a little maintenance to make sure everything was running correctly. He'll ask his mom and let L. Hyslop know. L. Hyslop will call Seabright and check if they ever serviced us. L. Hyslop volunteered to look into changing the oil and the screen, while K. Oomen volunteered to take the oil. 	NEW BUSINESS c) Compactor Maintenance
None	PUBLIC COMMENTS
Motion by J. Stevenson, Seconded by K. Oomen K. adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.	ADJOURNMENT