

<p style="text-align: center;">CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP 1499 E. HAMMET ROAD, HART, MI 49420 APPROVED MINUTES November 18, 2024 AT 7PM</p>	
<p>Supervisor L. Hyslop called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7pm.</p> <p>Pledge of Allegiance recited.</p> <p>Members Present: L. Hyslop, C. Walker, K. Oomen, J. Stevenson, & B. Seymour</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>Guest Present: Ron Smith, Pat & Ron Amstutz, Chief Purdy, Paul Erickson & Adam Herrera</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL</p>
<p>Moved by K. Oomen, Seconded by L. Hyslop to approve prior meeting minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior Meeting Minutes: October 21, 2024 Regular Meeting <p>Voice Vote - Motion Carried</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES APPROVED</p>
<p>Add to Supervisors Report:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Zoning Blight Report 	<p style="text-align: center;">CHANGES TO AGENDA</p>
<p>Chief Purdy shared the sad news that Greg Frick has passed away at the age of 57 years old.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CITIZENS COMMENTS</p>
<p>Report has been placed on file for record keeping:</p> <p>L. Hyslop and B. Seymour received a letter of intent from the Law Offices of Jason A. Waechter on behalf of a Mr. Wayne Alan Schlee to sue Crystal Township. The letter informed us of an accident on 08/30/2024 on E. Madison Road, 781.0 feet East of N.144th Ave. Mr. Schlee was operating a 214 Suzuki DL 1000 motorcycle and collided with a single road barricade causing him to crash his motorcycle. Mr. Schlee submitted to a preliminary breath test and the results came back as 0.095. Mr. Schlee's license was revoked from Michigan and he has an expired license from Florida.</p> <p>Copies of this report was sent to our lawyers and insurance company.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COORESPONDENCE</p>
<p>Chief Purdy received a notice that _____ are doing away with the AED machine. If the fire department wants to use one, they'd have to purchase one. He'll find out how much they cost; he knows it's over \$100.00. The AED have to be changed every year because they expire.</p> <p>L. Hyslop asked, has anyone in the community been trained to used the AED machine other than the fire department? Chief Purdy said, he doesn't know if there's anyone in the community trained or not, but thinks it's a great idea. The fire department has had to use it once or twice.</p> <p>B. Seymour asked, how often are you required to be trained? Chief Purdy responded, we do it once a year; the first Monday of January, we have a CPR class and it covers AED in Walkerville. Not sure on the cost, but Stephanie VanSickle is the trainer.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT</p>

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<p>Zoning Administrator R. Smith reported the following (report was received and placed on file):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Zoning Permits Written – 1 3. Zoning Permits Completed – 1 4. Signed Removed from township - 4 5. New Zoning Computer Installed – Ted from Computer Refinery, Inc. installed new monitor, new keyboard, and a new computer. R. Smith tested all functions to make sure everything is in good order, and everything is working really well. 	ZONING REPORT
<p>Clerk B. Seymour reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 5, 2025 – Election Day – B. Seymour thanked everyone on her election team for another successful election. Crystal township currently had 574 registered voters and received a total of 345 votes. That's a total of 60.10% of the people who voted. She's proud of our community and a lot of first-time voters came out to show their support. • Ted from Computer Refinery, Inc. – completed the upgrades necessary for QuickBooks to run smoothly. In addition to a new screen – all is working well. 	CLERK'S REPORT
<p>Moved by J. Stevenson, Seconded by K. Oomen to approve October bills in the amount of \$13,308.91.</p> <p>Voice Vote - Motion Carried</p>	REVIEW & PAY BILLS MOTION FOR APPROVAL
<p>Treasurer C. Walker reported the following (reports were received and placed on file):</p> <p>Financials for October of 2024</p> <p>Beginning Balance: \$341,820.21 Cash Receipts: \$5,915.79 Bank Interest: \$773.88 Cash Disbursements: \$34,529.44 Bank Fees: \$20.00 Ending Balance: \$313,960.44</p>	TREASURER'S REPORT

<p>Supervisor L. Hyslop reported the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Assessors Audit <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) L. Hyslop handed copies to the board members to review. L. Hyslop said he signed off on it. Our assessor was quite perturbed. We have several areas in need of improvement. It will take time to get done. Discussion followed. 2) Financial Audit <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) L. Hyslop stated our books are not too bad out of shape. L. Hyslop pointed out a statement from the audit that basically said, our bank, all banks, all credit unions have some kind of insurance up to \$250,000.00 as of tonight. We have over \$300,000.00, and we're \$63,000.00 over the guarantee. I want to do something about it. L. Hyslop opens the floor for discussion. b) L. Hyslop motioned to protect the funds that we have in our financial institutions for the amount that it's insured, and we find other tools to protect the people's money. Right now, it looks like CDs. We'll finalize the amount we put into the CDs later. (two votes were conducted) <p>Voice Vote - Motion Carried</p> <p>Vote: K. Oomen – Yes, J. Stevenson – Yes, L. Hyslop – Yes, C. Walker – Yes, B. Seymour – Yes. Motion Passed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3) EGLE/Transfer Station Report <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) L. Hyslop asked Adam Herrera to step up his responsibilities of asking people to show the magic card that you sell them. Ironically, he's found a few individuals that they thought mom was paying for it. We should have a few new people purchasing a card. b) L. Hyslop wants Adam Herrera to continue doing this for a couple of weeks at least to better understand who's doing what they're supposed to do. c) Mr. and Mrs. Amstutz confirmed that the transfer station compactor was being serviced every year by Seabright. 4) Agriculture Road Project/MIO/Raise Grant (used to be Farm Road Project) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Weekly meetings are going on with The Oceana Road Commission, Cambridge, Systematics, WMSRDC, and some other people. b) The total of the grant is about \$25 million c) The Oceana Road Commission agreed to put in \$1 million for match money. They asked Crystal Township to put money in, but right now, there's not going to be any money out of Crystal Township's pocket for approximately \$9 million worth of work in our township. The other \$16 million is going to Leavitt, Colfax, Shelby, and one more township. It includes a number of bridges; it will be spectacular. d) We have until January 14, 2025 to have all the paperwork done and submitted. 5) DNR/Dam/Park Grants <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) L. Hyslop and P. Erickson went to a meeting last week. b) Mr. Jim Tiffany is going to apply for a grant, to get some assistance with the roughly \$635,000.00 to fix the dam. c) They will also get a letter of support from U.S. Fish and Wildlife and WMSRDC. d) Mr. Tiffany and the engineer, are also requesting bids for the work that he believes needs to be done. That will be coming in the next couple months. e) Discussion followed. 	<p>SUPERVISOR'S REPORT</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Hyslop and B. Seymour are meeting tomorrow, November 19, 2024 at 11am to spend some time on it. 	<p>OLD BUSINESS a) Cemetery Proposal</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> R. Smith came across some old paperwork. There were some resolutions made in the past on the trustee pay and some other things had some errors. L. Hyslop and we're going research that coming up in the next month. 	OLD BUSINESS b) Previous Pay Resolutions not adhered to
<p>Zoning Administrator provided a packet for the board to review and it's been placed on file:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board will review packet and continue the discussion next month. 	NEW BUSINESS a) Zoning Administrator Request for Pay Increase
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> L. Hyslop attended a fire department meeting and noticed the dark lighting. He'd like to do research on some lighting and replace what's there. K. Oomen suggested contacting a company he used to purchase lights for his workshop from Boston and he thinks the company's name is LED Lighting Specialists. Discussion followed. 	NEW BUSINESS c) Fire Department – Lighting Upgrade
<p>Clerk B. Seymour reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> L. Hyslop asked permission to have Swihart come out and clean our septic. L. Hyslop thinks the furnace could use some R&R. P. Amstutz suggested contacting Sonnie Smith for furnace cleaning. 	NEW BUSINESS d) Fire Department – Drain Clean/ Repair/ Septic Inspection/ Furnace R&R
<p>P. Amstutz suggested raising the pay for election workers. The chairperson's pay increased years ago; however, it's been at least 20 years since the others received a raise. L. Hyslop asked if the federal government does that, or do we? P. Amstutz said you do it and you'd increase it next fiscal year when you're making the new budget, like in February.</p> <p>Public comment asked about Jackson Road. Discussion followed.</p>	PUBLIC COMMENTS
<p>Motion by L. Hyslop, Seconded by K. Oomen K. adjourn the meeting at 8:04 pm.</p> <p>Voice Vote. Motion Carried.</p>	ADJOURNMENT