

CUMMING TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting

November 7, 2024

The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Ron, Jan, Reid, Fred - present. Shari – Absent.

Others present were: Jan Thompson; Jim & Jane Redmond; Rose Quackenbush; Claudia Miller-Auditor; Ray & Debby Grant; Louanne Rosebrugh; Michelle & Cal Berk; Matt Polzin; Sandy Buck; Duane Pelfrey; Teena & Ron Chapman; Linda L. Hall.

Ron questioned if there were any additions to the agenda; there were none.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Reid, to accept the Election Commission meeting minutes, as presented. Motion carried.

Reid made a motion, seconded by Fred, to accept the previous monthly meeting minutes, as presented. Motion carried.

Jan made a motion, seconded by Reid, to pay the bills. Roll Call Vote: Ron, Fred, Reid, Jan – Yes. Shari – Absent Motion carried.

Claudia Miller presented the 2023-2024 audit; she highlighted the main parts of the audit. Ron stated there is a change in the Treasurer's office and questioned what needs to be done. Claudia stated the signature cards from the bank need to be updated. She also stated that an additional audit does not need to be done because the audit shows when the records were audited. Reid questioned the wording in the letter; Claudia explained said letter. Thank you to Claudia Miller

Jan presented a letter from the Rose City/Lupton Festival & Events; discussion was held. Reid made a motion, seconded by Ron to support the Rose City/Lupton Festival & Events, for \$50. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Reid, Ron, Jan – Yes. Shari – Absent. Motion carried.

Jan presented the MTA New Officials Training, which will be held on December 18, in Hale. Jan made a motion, seconded by Fred, to approve Teena Chapman and Jan Thompson to attend the MTA New Officials Training, at the cost of \$300. Roll Call Vote: Reid, Fred, Ron, Jan – Yes. Shari – Absent. Motion carried. Jan also said thank you to Reid and Shari for their years of service to Cumming Township.

Fred reported that the control panel should be repaired February 5 and February 6, 2025. He also reported that he and Chase Wiltse checked the sump pump, all is well.

Fred reported that he received one (1) bid for painting the hall; he is expecting another bid. Jan questioned if the floors had been checked for asbestos; Fred stated there was no reason to check the kitchen. Ron stated that Brett Winslow was contacted about the furnace in the hallway, but he hasn't returned the calls. Fred will contact Brett Winslow and have both furnaces checked.

Jan reported that she received a permit for a culvert on Ogemaw Center Road, when she contacted the Road Commission, they said the permit had the incorrect measurements. A new permit was sent. Reid and Fred spoke with Pat Reinke regarding the cost of said culvert; discussion was held. Reid made a motion, seconded by Fred, to accept the bid of \$25,000 (\$12,500 – Cumming Twp and \$12,500 – Road Commission) for the culvert on Ogemaw Center Road. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Ron, Reid, Jan – Yes. Shari – Absent. Motion carried.

Fred reported that he attended a meeting at Churchill Twp, they said that Churchill Twp paid for the brining, but the Road Commission said that Cumming Twp paid for the brining. Fred contacted Linda Miller, Churchill Twp Treasurer, and they agreed to wait until spring for further discussion. Discussion was held regarding Peters Road.

Reid gave the RC Fire report, which included: busy month, 14 runs; call-ins being made due to fire on resident's property. Ron questioned if all of Cumming Twp is being serviced by RC Fire Dept; Yes. Discussion held regarding Hill Township and Rose Township taking over the Lupton Fire Dept.

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Ron gave the OCOA report, which included: going good; Carol Gillman needed an ice machine, and someone sold the OCOA an ice machine for \$75.

Jan Thompson gave the Transfer Station report, which included: going good; brought in around \$2,000 last month; changes were made to truck/trailer loads of bags, this will not be done anymore, the bags will be charged individually; Whitefeather costs were presented, their tabulations will be used for truck/trailer loads, but not the total costs as it is too much, bag fees will not increase; when Hill Township is full, they are sending residents to the Transfer Station; extremely busy; cash control was discussed. Discussion was held.

Ron spoke with Allison Thompson; the board will need to appoint a new BOR member at the December meeting.

Ron asked Jan to print the Blight Ordinance for the board members.

Bill Olsen gave the HL Weed Treatment report, which included: weed treatment samples were gathered in October; the annual report will be available in December or January. Jan questioned if there were outstanding Savin bills; Bill Olsen stated that he didn't know, Jan will contact Savin and let Bill know.

Duane Pelfrey questioned if the ditching along M33 was going to be done; Fred stated Eric, from MDOT, didn't show up for the special meeting that was scheduled for October.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Reid, to adjourn at 7:47pm. Motion carried.

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