

CUMMING TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting

August 3, 2023

The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Ron, Jan, Shari, Fred - Present. Reid – Absent. Others present were: Jan Thompson; Randy McCrite; Jane & James Redmond; Matt Polzin; Debby and Ray Grant; Lucinda Morrison; Louanne Rosebrugh; Pat Robinson; Charlie & Corinne Maher; Roger Mayhew; three (3) ZOOM.

Ron questioned if there were any additions to the agenda; Fred stated he would like to talk about the FOIA.

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

Shari made a motion, seconded by Jan, to pay the bills. Fred questioned the bill to Huntington Bank – Recycle Acct; Shari stated it was for the ARPA Funds to pay the Horizon Seal Coating bill. Fred questioned the bill to Smith Bovil PC; Jan read the detail of attorney fees regarding this bill. Ron also stated this bill included a couple of matters. Fred stated, in his opinion, the Board should have approval to call the attorney before calling. Ron stated we will think about it and talk about it later. Roll Call Vote: Ron - Yes, Shari - Yes, Fred - No, Jan – Yes. Reid – Absent. Motion carried.

Fred reported that Leo Dion doesn't have anything done yet; hopefully, next month. Fred stated that the Grant is being worked on with the City of Rose City. He also stated the pumps have not been checked yet. Fred reported he should have information next month. Jan questioned if the grant is being worked on just Rose City's portion; Fred stated they are working on the total cost. He also stated that Leo is working on the Cumming Township maintenance fees for the Cumming Township sewer users.

Jan reported that the 9-day early voting will be able to be held at the Ogemaw County Building, per Breck Gildner, County Clerk. She stated that there will be four (4) election inspectors for each of the nine (9) days of early voting. This will cost much less than if the township holds their own 9-day early voting at the township hall. Discussion was held. Jan made a motion, seconded by Ron, to hold the 9-day early voting at the Ogemaw County Building. Roll Call Vote: Shari, Fred, Ron, Jan – All Yes. Reid – Absent. Motion carried.

Jan reported that an AV Lock box has been ordered, which will be paid for by the State. This is a mandate of the new 2022 Election laws. Jan also stated that cameras will need to be installed over the lock box, which will be paid for by the State. Jan is watching for the ordering information regarding the cameras. The cameras are also a mandate of the new 2022 Election laws.

Fred presented a list of FOIA information that is missing. Jan stated that she sent everything that was requested. Fred stated the attorney didn't go through the information that was sent. Jan stated to Fred that he could contact her to get the information on the list.

Shari reminded the Board that the Fire millage is not being collected in 2023.

Ron gave the OCOA report, which included: the meals at the center continue to rise, as does the delivered meals; the Kitchen Director was going to retire but has planned to stay for a while longer; the new truck had heavier springs and running boards installed; the new budget was adopted.

Jan Thompson gave the Transfer Station report, which included: going good; there have been some pretty big days; Speed Tech was called, Ron was also contacted, the circuit was fused together causing no lights, office lights, and issues with the safety gate – this has been fixed. If Speed Tech would have returned to fix these issues, the bill would have been higher. The asphalt sealing has been done but is bad; the holes are still there. Fred stated he didn't know what could be put in the holes to prevent them from returning. Jan Thompson reported she will be gone on August 12 and

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September 2; Jacob will be at the Transfer Station on said days. Jan read the Horizon Seal Coating bid, which did not include fixing the holes at the Transfer Station. Discussion was held. Jan Thompson thanked Fred for cleaning up the water in the basement at the Transfer Station, using his personal shop vac. Jan Thompson suggested that the board purchase a small shop vac for the Transfer Station. Discussion was held regarding the bill for Horizon Seal Coating. Jan read an email from Tim Underwood, Associate Director at New Life Camp; he was asking for the camp to use the Transfer Station for their trash. Discussion was held. Fred stated that he will contact Tim Underwood.

Bill Olsen gave the HL report, which included: the lake has been treated three (3) times this season, one (1) more treatment will be done in September; the water quality will be checked in mid-October; updated maps were done with Savin Lake Services; the fishing is good and the lake is good.

Jan presented the 2023 L-4029, she worked with Allison Thompson, Assessor and Randy Booth, Equalization Director to make sure the L-4029 was correct. Jan explained that Randy Booth had put the Fire millages on the L-4029, then stated to draw a line in the millages to be collected and put in a zero then initial, which was done. Jan also presented the 2023 Henderson Lake Weed Control Special Assessment, totaling \$11,615.00, which is \$165 less than 2022 due to a combination of two (2) lots. Jan made a motion, seconded by Ron, to approve the 2023 L-4029 and the 2023 HL Weed Control Special Assessment, as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ron, Shari, Fred, Jan – All Yes. Reid – Absent. Motion carried.

Roger Mayhew gave the Commissioners' report, which included: working with Consumers Energy for lights at the County Building; transit building bids, which were done two (2) years ago, need to be done by the end of the fiscal year; discussion held regarding per diem for Commissioners' meetings; jail receiving one (1) home line for internet, messages; Lt Tom Howard replaced Lt Brian Osier, due to retirement.

Randy McCrite questioned if the information asked about the F-65, page 5, unassigned fund balance 37% of total, \$368,626 was found. Jan stated she looked at two (2) years of the F-65 and didn't see any information requested; she asked for a copy of what he was referring to. Pat Robinson said it was on-line; Jan stated she used the F-65 from the Auditor, and nothing was on either year. Jan will contact the Auditor.

Matt Polzin questioned when the ARPA funds are due to be used; Shari stated 2024.

Pat Robinson stated she knows a young man, Michael Harbin, that will accept bids for anyone that has blight or needs help cleaning up.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Jan, to adjourn at 7:18pm.

_____, Clerk