

CUMMING TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting

June 6, 2024

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

Others present were: Jan Thompson; Lucinda Morrison; Randy McCrite; Pat Robinson; Louanne Rosebrugh; Ray & Debby Gant; Bob & Debbie Donaldson; Jane & Jim Redmond; Jim & Norma Morris; Abby Coleman; Michelle & Cal Berk; Wendy Clary; Duane Pelfrey; Linda Hall.

Shari questioned if there were any additions to the agenda; Fred stated he would like to add campaigning at the Transfer Station to the agenda.

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

Shari made a motion, seconded by Fred, to approve the Special Sewer Meeting minutes, with the following correction: page 1, paragraph 3: sewer users is \$5,000 annually; a 10-year payout...., to: sewer users is \$5,000 annually; and a 10-year payout on the loan for pumps would work. Motion carried.

Shari made a motion, seconded by Jan, to pay the bills. Fred questioned the GFL bill; Jan stated it was for the compactor and the roll-off. Reid questioned the Ogemaw County Road Commission bill; discussion was held. Roll Call Vote: Fred, Shari, Reid, Jan – All Yes. Ron – Absent. Motion carried.

Fred reported that we went through a lot at the Special Sewer meeting on May 23, 2024. He also presented a second bid for the pumps and control panel, from Kennedy Industries, at the cost of \$59,186.40. Discussion was held. Jan questioned if a phone system would be needed for the sewer system; Fred stated no, it would be a monitor system. Fred stated Banning Electric may not submit a bid; the bid that Dareld Schick had was for Ogemaw Township. Discussion was held regarding the breakdown of expenses.

Fred stated the bathrooms need to be updated, we will need to figure out what needs to be done then get bids.

Shari questioned if the hall needs spring cleaning, no.

Fred reported that Mid-Michigan Asphalt will begin paving the hall parking lot at the end of June; the asphalt will be torn up, ground, and hauled away.

Jan made a motion, seconded by Reid, to move the July regular monthly meeting from July 4, 2024 to July 2, 2024 at 6:30pm. Motion carried.

Reid gave the RC Fire report, which included: slow; 11 runs, mostly power lines, one (1) Cumming Township; received \$30,000 for the fire dept.

Jan Thompson gave the Transfer Station report, which included: going good, no problems; the dumpsters and tire trailers have been ordered for Clean-up and Tire Clean-up. A new toilet was installed; the phone has been disconnected.

Bill Olsen gave the HL Weed Control report, which included: first treatment will be June 10, he will have an update afterwards; lake looks good.

Jan stated the Election Commission Meeting will be held on July 2, 2024 at 6:00pm, to appoint the Election Inspectors and Receiving Board for the August 6, 2024 Primary Election.

Jan addressed the article in the Ogemaw Hearld regarding the Road Millage for Cumming Township. She stated that Mr. Marsh emailed the township regarding said millage and she answered said email.

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She also stated that she was not asked anything regarding the candidates running for township offices; this came from the County. Fred stated we should look at re-constructing Ogemaw Center Road. Discussion was held. Jan questioned if we could also look at other roads for comparison; discussion was held. Fred will contact the Ogemaw County Road Commission.

Fred questioned Jan Thompson working at the Transfer Station and campaigning; he would like to campaign at the Transfer Station. Jan stated as long as Jan Thompson isn't campaigning, it is ok to keep working there. Ray Grant stated he tried to mention something regarding the election and Jan Thompson stated she wouldn't talk about it. Others stated the same. There is no campaigning at the Transfer Station.

Jan gave the All-Ages Recreation report, which included: the program will run June 17-July 25, Monday through Thursday, 9am-3pm. She stated there is free breakfast and free lunch. Jan explained what All-Ages Recreation is and some of the events included: sports, arts & crafts, board games, quiet room, go to the Rose City Park, OHHS pool if open, Rifle River Recreation. She also explained the costs, and sponsors for snacks.

Jim Morris questioned if the township assessor attends meetings. He stated his taxes went up 25%, which is the assessed value. Discussion was held regarding the State setting the percentage rates for assessed values.

Pat Robinson questioned if the Road Millage was a renewal; Jan stated no it is a new millage, the Road Millage expired December 2023 and the board decided not to hold a Special Election due to the expense.

Shari made a motion, seconded by Jan, to adjourn at 7:08pm.

_____, Clerk