

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
January 4, 2023
CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY BUILDING
6:30 P.M.**

The Chippewa Township REGULAR Board meeting was called to order by the Chippewa Township Supervisor, Bryan Roels at 6:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Present: Bryan Roels, Kristin Lytle, Julie Austin, & Debbie Zielinski
Absent: Annette Walters

Let the record show a quorum of the Chippewa Township Board was present.

MOTION J.Austin/D.Zielinski to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2022 Regular Township Board Meeting and place on file. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION J.Austin/K.Lytle to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2022 Special Township Board Meeting and place on file. **MOTION CARRIED**

TREASURER REPORT: Account Balance as of 12/31/2022 is \$679,331.73.

MOTION K.Lytle/D.Zielinski to approve the Treasurer Report and place on file.
MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None at this time.

LIBRARY REPORT:

Library representative, Linda Myers was not in attendance, however she supplied K.Lytle with her library report: The library received a \$5000 donation from Roger Soper and a \$100 donation from Audrey DuBois. Both donate to the library annually. The library of Michigan sent 6 new Hotspots and extended 18 months to the on year they provided last year. Hotspots allow patrons to use WI-FI in homes. They are used heavily at the library. **MOTION K.Lytle/J.Austin** to approve the Library Report and place on file. **MOTION CARRIED**

ASSESSING REPORT:

K.Lytle read the assessing report from Andrea. Andrea reported that she inspecting the progress of building permits on 12/28 and found a few extras. Andrea is currently working on year-end tasks and will get the roll ready to turn in the County in the coming weeks. 11 deeds were processed, 17 PTA's, 2 PRE's, 0 denial, 1 rescind, and 5 address changes. She also had multiple Land Division Request and 1 Qualified Ag. Property. **MOTION K.Lytle/D.Zielinski** to approve the Assessors Report and place on file. **MOTION CARRIED**

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT:

County Commissioner, Jerrilynn Strong reported she attended the jail meeting today and they had 114 inmates in December. County Commissioner elections were held and Jerrilynn was elected as Chair. Jerrilynn provided each board member with a copy of the MCCR 2023 Road Project List. **MOTION J.Austin/K.Lytle to place the County Commissioner Report on File. MOTION CARRIED**

2023 POVERTY GUIDELINES:

RESOLUTION J.Austin/K.Lytle to adopt the 2023 Federal Poverty Exemption Guidelines and Asset Test. ROLL CALL: 4 ayes, 1 absent, 0 nays. RESOLUTION CARRIED.

Household/Family Size	Min. Income to Qualify	Typical max. Income to Qualify
1	\$13,590	\$54,360
2	\$18,310	\$73,240
3	\$23,030	\$92,120
4	\$27,750	\$111,000
5	\$32,470	\$129,880
6	\$37,190	\$148,760
7	\$41,910	\$167,640
8	\$46,630	\$186,520

CHIPPEWA HILLS SCHOOL SUMMER TAX COLLECTION:

J.Austin has not received the contract for Summer tax collection from the Chippewa Hills School District. **MOTION J.Austin/K.Lytle to table this item until contract is received from The Chippewa Hills School District. MOTION CARRIED**

APPOINT B.O.R. MEMBER:

RESOLUTION K.Lytle/J.Austin to appoint David Lytle, Scott Rice, and Dave Hahn as the Chippewa Township Board of Review Members for 2023 and 2024. ROLL CALL: 4 ayes, 1 absent, 0 nays. RESOLUTION CARRIED.

M.C. BUILDING INSPECTOR:

Supervisor B.Roels read a letter from Morton Twp. Supervisor, Mark Klumpp. M.C. Building Inspector, Aaron Holsworth will no longer be working with Mecosta County Building and Zoning after January 12, 2023. Mr. Klumpp inquired as to if Chippewa Township would be willing to use Morton Township’s building inspector. Morton Township would retain 90% of the building permit fees and Chippewa Township would retain 10%. (Chippewa Twp. currently falls underneath M.C. Building and Zoning and we don’t receive funds from building permits.) **RESOLUTION J.Austin/D.Zielinski to reject Morton Township’s offer. Supervisor, B.Roels will send a response to the Morton Township Supervisor. ROLL CALL: 4 ayes, 1 absent, 0 nays. RESOLUTION CARRIED.**

REQUEST TO MOVE HEADSTONE:

Chippewa Township received a request to move a headstone in the Chippewa Township Cemetery. The headstone is currently on Block L, Lot 89, Space #1.

MOTION K.Lytle/J.Austin to allow Cemetery Sexton, Scott Rice, to temporarily move the foundation and headstone from Block L, Lot 89, Space #1 to Block L, Lot 89, Space #2; only after Chippewa Township receives a letter requesting and approving the move from the responsible party. The letter also must state that this is a temporary move and the foundation and headstone will be moved back to Space #1, when the lot owner passes away. Party also agrees to pay the Cemetery Sexton \$50. **MOTION CARRIED**
ROLL CALL: 3 ayes, 1 absent, 1 nay

C.L. SEWER DISTRICT:

Discussion was held on a couple of upcoming systems.

C.L. WEED CONTROL:

A tentative public meeting date has been set for Friday, April 28, 2023. The date will be confirmed once we hear back from PLM.

RESOLUTION K.Lytle/J.Austin to renew the Michigan Lakes and Streams, Michigan Ripuarians magazine at the cost of \$25. **ROLL CALL: 4 ayes, 1 absent, 0 nays.**
RESOLUTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

Bills were electronically or personally provided to all Board members prior to the meeting; for review, along with an approval signature voucher. **RESOLUTION J.Austin/K.Lytle** to pay General Fund bills, check numbers 13734 – 13761 in the amount of \$17,453.63 The Sewer District check numbers 11150 - 11171 in the amount of \$14,225.76. And The CLWD check numbers 701 - 703 in the amount of \$4,208.50.
ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 ayes, 1 absent, 0 nays RESOLUTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence from the MCRC (Seasonal Road), thank you letters, Sheriff's report, and a public service commission hearing, were read. **MOTION K.Lytle/J.Austin** to place correspondence on file. **MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

County Commissioner, Jerrilyn Strong informed the Chippewa Township Board that the County Commissioners increased the mileage rates to 65.5 cents per mile.

BEING no further business or public comment to be brought before the Board:

MOTION J.Austin/D.Zielinski to adjourn the January 4, 2023 regular meeting of the Chippewa Township Board @ 7:16.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Next Township Board regular scheduled meeting is set for Wednesday, February 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

These minutes were prepared

By Kristin Lytle, Chippewa Township Clerk