

Minutes
EAGLES NEST TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
November 20, 2024

Chair Floyd called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sup Richard Floyd, Sup Kurt Soderberg, Sup Jackie Monahan-Junek, Clerk Keely Drange, Treasurer Mary Beth Monte and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Gwen Potter were in attendance. Sup David Chiabotti attended via Zoom due to vacation. Sup Frank Sherman attended via zoom unofficially.

Unless otherwise noted, motions carried unanimously. All votes done by roll call due to zoom attendance.

Agenda

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Monahan-Junek to approve the agenda for November 20, 2024. Motion carried

Minutes

Sup Floyd moved, seconded by Sup Soderberg to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion carried.

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Floyd to approve the minutes from the special October 30, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion carried.

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Monahan-Junek to approve the minutes from the special board of canvass November 9, 2024 Board of Supervisors meeting. Motion carried. Sup Monahan-Junek, Sup Chiabotti, Sup Soderberg aye. Sup Floyd abstains due to absence from the meeting.

Communications List Approval

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Monahan-Junek to approve the communications list. Motion carried. Sup Floyd, Sup Monahan-Junek, Sup Soderberg aye. Chiabotti abstains.

Citizens' concerns

None at this time

Reports

Clerk:

Hudson Kingston will join next meeting regarding the Dark Skies Proclamation.

Treasurers Report:

Payroll Check numbers 11648-11668 in the amount of \$6,730.50

Claim numbers 4987-5006 and check numbers 11669-11684; 11686; 11688 in the amount of \$13,371.16
For a total of \$20,101.66.

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Floyd to approve the payroll and claims.

Sup Floyd, Sup Monahan-Junek and Sup Soderberg aye. Sup Chiabotti abstained. Motion carried.

Sup Floyd moved, seconded by Sup Monahan-Junek to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Building and Grounds:

The generator had its annual service. There were no additional costs beyond inspection.

Sup Chiabotti replaced the urinal valve in the men's bathroom.

Sup Chiabotti rotated smoke detectors in hall and in fire hall.

Fire Report:

Chief Ted Krueger gave his report in person. Report on file.

Chief Krueger would like to donate old pumps and old jaws of life to the Minnesota Fire Engine Club. They do public outreach and demonstrations using old equipment.

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded by Sup Monahan-Junek to donate old jaws of life, two old pump units and hose to Minnesota Fire Engine Club. Motion carried.

Roads:

The County portion of Walsh Road is in bad shape. The road conditions will improve when the snow freezes down.

Land, website and broadband:

Sup Soderberg visited the tree that was reported by Eleanor Fuller to allegedly to be on Park Land. There is a large leaning white pine but it is still alive. Sup Soderberg concluded that the tree is not on Park Land. Even if it was on Park Land Soderberg would not recommend it to be taken down as it is only leaning but still alive.

Sup Soderberg spoke with Danae Baudette from IRRRB regarding the tourism grant to see if she thought the township could do anything related to the bike trail. She could not think of anything others have done with the bike trail. Sup Soderberg thought it may be possible the grant could be used to establish a picnic area on Park Land.

Sup Soderberg will reach out to see if a representative from the Bike Trail could to come and meet with the board at some point soon. Sup Chiabotti will look into getting a locker for deliveries.

Sup Monahan-Junek noted how she heard Senator Grant Hauschild talk about how he is happy that they have been so successful at bringing broadband to the "easy to serve" communities and how important it is to continue to work towards getting broadband to the places that are currently underserved.

Emergency Preparedness/water:

Emergency Preparedness report on file

Outreach and Networking:

Sup Monahan-Junek covered topic during Broadband discussion.

Sup Rich Floyd submitted a resignation letter. His last day of service will be December 31, 2024.

Sup Soderberg moved, Seconded by Sup Chiabotti to advertise the upcoming Sup vacancy on the website, Facebook, and constant contact. Sup Floyd, Sup Chiabotti and Sup Soderberg aye. Sup Monahan-Junek nay.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Tower Ambulance Commission representative replacement:

Sup Sherman will not be able to attend January Ambulance Commission meeting. The township needs to continue to have representation on the Tower Ambulance Commission after Sup Sherman's term is up. Sup Monahan-Junek suggested Frank stay on the commission when he returns from his vacation and even after his term ends. Mary Beth Monte can attend the January 6th meeting at the Tower civic center while Sup Sherman is out of Town. Sup Monahan-Junek moved, seconded by Sup Soderberg to have Sup Sherman continue on the ambulance commission as our representative after the end of his term. Motion passed.

Supervisor Concerns:

Sup Monahan-Junek may be out of town on December 18 and will try to attend remotely if she is able to.

Adjournment:

Sup Soderberg moved, seconded Monahan-Junek by to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 5:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Keely Drange, Clerk