

**APPROVED MINUTES
COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP HALL-COUNTY ROAD 571
MONDAY MAY 14, 2018, 7:00 P.M.**

Supervisor Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll call were Supervisor Hoffman, Clerk Collins, Treasurer Smith, Trustee Malott and Trustee Schaller. Eleven members of the public were present also Deputy Brian Peacock and County Commissioner Stu McKinnon.

Adoption of the Agenda: A **Motion** by Malott to adopt the agenda. **Supported** by Schaller. All in favor Motion Carried.

Establish any conflict of interest of items that are on the agenda:

None were presented.

Approval of Minutes from the April 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting: **Motion** by Malott to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. **Supported** by Smith. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Correspondence was reviewed:

The clerk had received the crimes report from the Kankaska Sheriff's office for the month of April with 24 incidents. Also the inspection form for the Ole Soul both reports are on file in the clerk's office. The clerk also e-mailed all Board members the Road Commission Managers report and the Road Commission Minutes. Both reports are on file in the clerk's office. The clerk had a request from our trash removal company wanting to have garbage trucks exempt from the frost laws. Stu McKinnon said he would contact the Road Commission and see if this can be done.

Assessor's report:

May, 2018 Assessor's Report to Coldsprings Township Board:

There has been some talk of reforming the assessing process and requiring assessors to be a Level 3 or 4 to be an assessor. They are also wanting you to do at least 5000 parcels and collect \$12,000,000 total in total taxes. At this point in time, these are just proposed changes and it will be hard to say how many of these requirements actually make it to the bill or if there even is one that is created. I know MTA and others have been voicing their displeasure quite loudly, so we will wait and see. It seems likely that something is going to happen, I am just not sure how much at this point.

The reviewing of record cards has picked up again with the nicer weather, I am hoping to get in several hundred this year. Permit activity has been pretty steady as well, I have most of the permits caught up to within a few months behind. If I go out any sooner than that, they are usually far from complete or haven't even started. Sales have been very consistently steady also, based on what I am seeing, I

believe there will be a modest increase in the residential class for next year. However, that is just an educated guess at this point in time.

This concludes my report, I hope you all have a wonderful summer.

Sincerely,

Mark Johnson
Coldsprings Township Assessor

Judge Lynne Buday was in attendance and addressed the Township Board and Public. She will be running for reelection in November and would like our support.

Committee Reports:

(A)Planning & Maintenance – Trustee Schaller reported that the dead trees at the Township hall have been removed. Three yards of gravel at Sands Park has been delivered and hole filled in. The Township is looking for someone to re-roof and paint the shed at the Township hall. Please contact either Lowell Schaller or the Clerk. The cemetery arch will have to be removed and sand blasted and repainted we are waiting for a bid. The Park clean-up is the weekend of the 19th and a group of girl scouts have volunteered to help out at the park. The wood chips will be delivered for the playground this week. New posts will be installed in the parking lot at the park several of the posts are rotted off. The inside of the bathrooms will be getting a new coat of paint in the near future.

Also we are going to install awnings on the bathroom windows when it rains hard the rain blows right into the bathroom. The road endings are being cleaned up this week. A local resident will be donating a Martin Bird house to the Township and it will be installed at the Sands Park in the near future. The swim bouy's will be installed before Memorial Day.

(B)Fireboard –Supervisor Hoffman presented the minutes from the May 2, 2018 Fireboard meeting. The minutes showed that there were 12 Fire runs and 5

Rescue runs for the month of April. Frederic ALS had 28 calls, 7 transported to Kalkaska, 13 to Munson, 2 to Grayling, and 6 inter-facility transfers. The new Fire truck was here for the Pancake Breakfast, but will be going back for further additions that were not complete. A complete copy of the minutes are on file in the clerks' office.

(C)Road Commissioners Meeting – Trustee Malott stated that things are getting started at the Road Commission. Pot holes are being filled and if you have a pot hole that needs to be repaired please call the Road Commission. Work on 612 from Bear Lake Road to Blue Lake Road, Sunset and North Twin Lake Rd are slated to begin soon.

(D) Sheriff Department – Officer Brian Peacock is our Township liaison please contact the Township with any ordinance violations and officer Peacock will be notified. Or call 231-258-3350 to leave a message for Officer Brian Peacock. Officer Peacock stated that he handled 7 Civil complaints, 0 Township Ordinance, 17 Property checks, 2 Misdemeanors, and 1 Felony for the month of April. A copy of Officer Peacock's report is on file in the Clerks' office.

(E) County Commissioner – Stu McKinnon gave a brief update on things going on in the county.

(F) Hospital Board – Supervisor Hoffman stated that everything was moving along at the hospital. Construction has started at the hospital watch for signage of where to park. Community sharps collection will be held on June 13, 2018 from 10:00am to 12pm at the main entrance to the hospital.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Smith presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month ending April 30, 2018. The report showed that there was \$489,417.36 in the various Bank accounts, \$10.07 in the Forest Area Federal CU, \$10,720.63 in the Building Fund at Chemical Bank, and \$210.77 in the Tax account at Chemical Bank and \$100.00 in the Cash on hand Fund. **Motion** by Collins **Supported** by Malott to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

(A) Approve clerk to sign Tobin Audit Contract – Motion by Hoffman to have the clerk sign the Contract with Tobin for the Township Annual Audit. **Supported** by Malott. All in favor. Motion Carried.

(B) Approve and sign Oliver fire contract – Motion by Malott to have the clerk and the supervisor sign the Oliver fire contract. **Supported** by Smith. All in favor. Motion carried.

(C) Look over foreclosed tax property from the county – After a brief discussion a **Motion** by Collins to decline the purchase of foreclosed tax property. **Supported** by Schaller. All in favor. Motion carried.

(D) Look over resolution for Par Plan Risk Reduction Grant -A Motion by Schaller to adopt Resolution #3 of 2018. **Supported** by Malott. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Coldsprings Township Board Resolution

RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPANT IN THE 2018 MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP PARTICIPATING PLAN
RISK REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Michigan Township Participating Plan authorizes a Township to take part in and apply for a Risk Reduction Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board desires to apply for a grant for the purchase and installation of video equipment for the township park to enhance crime prevention measures to reduce or eliminate vandalism and enhance personal safety.

WHEREAS, the Township Board will provide matching funds as may be required in order to successfully acquire the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Coldsprings Board approve the participation in the Risk Reduction Grant Program and allocate the supporting funds to complete the video security project.

The foregoing resolution offered by Board Member Schaller.
Second offered by Board Member Malott.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

"Aye":5

"Nay":0

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Cheryl A. Collins, Clerk

Date: 5/14/2018

(E)Look over bids on new fence for cemetery – Trustee Schaller presented two bids for new fence for cemetery. The bids were reviewed. After a brief discussion a **Motion** by Collins to accept the bid from Lee’s Alpine Fence Company to remove and replace 345 feet of fence and new walk way gate at a cost of \$10,000.00.**Supported** by Smith. Roll call vote: Hoffman, yes, Malott, yes, Smith, yes, Schaller, yes, Collins, yes. All in favor. Motion Carried.

(F)Discuss Brining early – Clerk Collins reported that she was receiving phone calls about the amount of dust on our dirt roads. We are second from the bottom on the list

of brining from the County. A **Motion** by Malott to have the clerk contact the Road Commission about scheduling a early brining in our Township. **Supported** by Schaller.All in favor. Motion Carried.

Approval of Bills:

Bills were reviewed. The total of bills to be paid is \$33,438.83 including extra bill from Election Source. **Motion** by Malott to approve paying the bills as presented.**Supported**by Smith.All in favor.Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Started at 8:23 – A resident would like to have the Sheriff's officer stand and face the public when he speaks. It is very hard to hear him in the back of the audience.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. by Malott.**Supported** by Schaller.All in Favor.

Cheryl Collins
Coldsprings Township Clerk