APPROVED

CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING October 13, 2022

The October 13, 2022, meeting of the Township Board was called to order at 6:30 PM by Supervisor Bunte, Rettig, Marske and Sullivan present, Dudiak absent at Chikaming Township Center. Also present, Attorney Hilmer, David Johnson, and several members of the community.

Supervisor Bunte led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Consent Agenda was given to the board, Marske moved, Rettig supported to approve the Consent Agenda.

All ayes, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Treasurer Rettig. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Marske, supported by Sullivan.
All ayes, motion carried.

Paying of the bills was read by Treasurer Rettig. A motion to approve the paying of the bills was made by Sullivan, supported by Marske. All ayes, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Miscellaneous emails were distributed to the board put on record as received and read.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Janet Schrader asked that the township not allow golf carts on public roads. Candice Butzow voiced her interest in a golf cart ordinance for the township.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Rettig, supported by Marske not to change Ordinance 131: Noise and Nuisance to include an open burning restriction.

NEW BUSINESS:

Hungerford Nichols presented the Township Board with the Annual Audit for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022. A motion was made by Marske, supported by Sullivan to approve the 2021-22 Audit as presented.

All ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Sullivan, supported by Rettig to approve the Special Land Use #211 application for 14677 Lakeshore Road, Lakeside that was presented by the Planning Commission.

Bunte, Rettig, Sullivan - Yes

Marske – abstain

Dudiak – absent

Discussion on adopting a resolution on using a portion of Township ARPA funds to expand Broadband coverage.

A motion was made by Marske, supported by Rettig to proceed with adopting the resolution. By roll call vote: Sullivan, Rettig, Bunte and Marske.

Dudiak – absent

Resolution adopted.

A motion was made by Sullivan, supported by Marske to approve the Township Health Insurance Renewal plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield for 2023. All ayes, motion carried.

The board discussed considering enacting an ordinance for the use of golf carts in the township upon a request from a Chikaming Township resident. The discussion included Police Chief Taylor and his concerns. A motion was made by Sullivan, supported by Marske not to proceed with enacting an ordinance regarding golf carts in Chikaming Township. We are opposing the use of Golf Carts on any public road in Chikaming Township. All ayes, motion carried.

Fire Chief Allen Weich informed the Township Board that he is now the Medic 1 Chair and that there is an ongoing internal and external investigation of Medic One Executive Director.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: (3-minute limit)

Candice Butzow asked if there will be information put on the website to let Chikaming Township residents know that golf carts are not allowed.

Sarah Skinner from Bridgman Library talked about a wireless hot spot borrowing card that will let you use up to five devices and free of charge to Chikaming Township residents.

DISCUSSION TOPIC: Referendums on November 8th ballot Supervisor Bunte went over the Proposal section on the November 8th ballot – State Proposal 22-1, Proposal 22-2 and Proposal 22-3, the County Public Millage proposal, the Township Library proposal, and the Park Board proposal.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Rettig, supported by Marske to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 PM. All ayes, Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Barbara Anderson Chikaming Township Deputy Clerk