



AGENDA

August 6, 2020

7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting

Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: ___Corrin ___Kukulis ___Gross
 ___Carlton ___Hedrich ___Hemgesberg ___Hornak

1. **Approval of Agenda:** (Additions to the agenda will be handled under New Business)
2. **Approval of Minutes:** July 2, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes
3. **Public Comments:** Two Minutes Per Person
 Additional time is provided during Extended Comments
4. **Committee/Commission Reports:**
 - a. County Commissioner – Kyle Harris
 - b. County Road Commission – Dennis Borchard
 - c. SCTOA – Ken Hornak
 - d. Cemetery Committee – Peter Hemgesberg, William Hedrich, Frances Kukulis
 - e. Building Official – Rob Kehoe
 - f. Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Pat Olk
 - g. Rehmann Health Center – Cathy Gross
 - h. Fire Board Authority – Robert Corrin
 - i. Mid Michigan Waste Authority – Frances Kukulis
 - j. TASK Force – Kevin Carlton
5. **Board Officials Reports:**
 - a. Supervisor
 - b. Clerk
 - c. Treasurer
6. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. Report from Assessor on Tax Tribunal
 - b. * Consider resignation letter received from Supervisor Corrin
8. **Extended Public Comment:** Two Minutes Per Person
9. **Extended Township Board Comment:**
10. **Approval of Bills:**
11. **Adjournment:**

***Addition to Agenda**



**Chesaning Township Minutes
Regular Meeting
August 6, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m.**

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Clerk Kukulis

Kukulis noted, due to health reasons, Supervisor Corrin would not be in attendance at this evening's meeting and asked Board Members to determine who will chair the meeting. Trustee Hedrich volunteered and the Board by motion agreed.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Clerk Frances Kukulis, Treasurer Cathy Gross; Trustees: Kevin Carlton, William Hedrich, Ken Hornak, and Peter Hemgesberg

Members Absent: Supervisor Robert Corrin

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was presented for approval.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 2, 2020 were presented for approval.

Public Comments: None

Committee/Board Reports:

County Commissioner – No one present to report.

County Road Commission – No one present to report.

SCTOA – Hornak stated no meeting was held.

Cemetery – Hemgesberg noted everything was going good at the cemetery, he added someone who requested to anonymously grade the driveways throughout the cemetery.

Building Official – No one present to report, report of activity was received.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer – No one present to report, report of activity received.

Rehmann Health Center – Gross reported the mobile dental clinic held in July had full attendance and the one planned for August 25 has only one spot left to fill; Jeanne Harding of Great Lakes Bay Health Centers Migrant & Nutrition Services sent an email detailing how much they appreciate the community support of the WIC Clinic noting it has been a pleasure providing the service in Chesaning, she thanked Gross and VanLoon for the help they have provided; Gross noted it has been a year since GLBH began providing services and the program continues to grow; during June of 2019 just 15 people received WIC services and by June of 2020 recipients had grown to 162; due to the COVID-19 shut down appointments have been held electronically but in July two nutritionists were at the Center handing out project fresh coupons to clinic participants; Gross added just over a year ago services were being discontinued under the Saginaw County Health Department direction who had cited a lack of demand for services and staffing shortages but things have worked out and the clinic is very successful with GLBH.

Fire Board – Carlton reported the department handled 8 runs in July, including 2 mutual aid, 1 personal injury accident, 1 car fire and 1 building fire which ended up being debris burning behind a house; he noted 2 firefighters passed academy; things have been slow he believed due to the COVID-19.

MMWA – Kukulis noted no meeting was held; the next meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2020.

Task Force – Carlton noted no meeting was held.

Planning Commission – Hemgesberg noted the meeting was quiet; discussion took place on minor adjustments that will need to be made to the zoning ordinance at future meetings; Hedrich noted a Juddville Road property owner had inquired with him about talking to the Planning Commission regarding a solar development in New Haven Township, it was noted no one was present at the meeting regarding solar.

Board Officials Reports:

Supervisor – It was noted Corrin has been off due to health since July 6, 2020.

Clerk – Kukulis stated much time has been spent working on the recent election and will continue over the next week as the final work is processed; it was noted 960 absent voter ballots were requested and mailed and 126 were never returned for processing; the County Clerk was unseated in the recent election so staff will likely change unless the newly elected clerk decides to keep the current deputy; two FOIA's have recently been handled; the insurance payroll audit is still ongoing with questions continuing on information provided.

Treasurer – Gross reported summer tax collection is ongoing; payments are coming in steady; the Assessor handled Board of Review; it was completed with a couple personal property statements being handled late, as allowed by the State due to the COVID-19 shut down, and a couple homestead and veteran exemptions were additionally addressed; Gross noted nothing out of the ordinary has been happening and added Summer taxes are due by September 14 to pay without interest.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Report from Assessor on Tax Tribunal – Gross noted a memo was received from Assessor MacDermaid outlining a proposal for the appraisal of an upcoming tax tribunal for the Chesaning Comfort Care located at 1800 West Brady. The memo indicated the Village and Township need to agree on who is going to sign the agreements and what percentage of payment each would take on. Additionally the memo noted, "The difference of current taxable versus the petitioner's contention is about \$600,000 which equates to \$600 per mil per year. Once the taxable value is lowered it is permanent and can only go up the rate of inflation." The Assessor phoned into the meeting an after much discussion on the process including the difference of a standard appeal and a full tax tribunal appeal, how long the appraisal process will take and how it will be calculated (income based as opposed to mass appraisal like the township Assessor uses), two motions were made by the board, one regarding cost share with the Village and having the Assessor represent the township in the process of negotiating the joint contract and the appeal and a second regarding who will sign the Appraisal Services Agreement.

Consider Resignation Letter Received From Supervisor Corrin – Kukulis read a letter from Corrin, to the Board, resigning from the Township Supervisor position due to health, effective August 3, 2020. Kukulis informed the Board once the resignation is accepted the Board will have 45 days to fill the vacancy. Some discussion on how/when the position is filled, who can be appointed to fill the position, and upcoming November election concerns took place. The Board accepted the letter of resignation with regret and plan to have a recommendation to fill the vacancy by their next meeting on September 3, 2020. Carlton noted Corrin's position on the Fire Authority Board will additionally be vacant for the upcoming August 12 meeting; Hedrich volunteered to attend the August Fire Authority Board meeting until a replacement for the vacancy is made.

Extended Public Comment: None.

Extended Township Board Comment: None.

Items Approved:

- Motion by Gross, support by Hornak, to have Hedrich chair the meeting in Supervisor Corrin's absence. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Carlton, to approve the agenda, as presented, with the addition of Item b under New Business; Consider resignation letter received from Supervisor Corrin. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Carlton, to approve the July 2, 2020 Regular Board Meeting minutes, as presented. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Kukulis, to partner with the Village in a joint cost sharing agreement for the upcoming Comfort Care Tax Tribunal appeal. The township agrees to pay 25% of all costs involved in the appraisal and appeal attorney fees up to \$5,000, with a redetermination of cost sharing to be made at a later date if needed. The Township Assessor, Kevin MacDermaid, of Legacy Assessing will represent the Township's interest to the Village, and in discussions with the Township's Attorney and the Village's Attorney regarding the writing of the joint agreement. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak. No: None. Absent: Corrin. Motion Carried.

- Motion by Kukulis, support by Hemgesberg, to have Village move forward with signing the Appraisal Services Agreement, at a cost of \$6,250, knowing the township has agreed to pay 25% of all costs involved, up to \$5,000, with a redetermination of cost sharing to be made at a later date if needed, and to assist in payment of the retainer up to the township's pro-rated share per the proposed joint cost sharing agreement. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg. No: None. Absent: Corrin. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Carlton, to accept the resignation of Supervisor Robert Corrin, due to health reasons, effective at midnight August 6, 2020. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis. No: None. Absent: Corrin. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hornak, to pay bills, as presented. Bills totaled \$32,404.79. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton. No: None. Absent: Corrin. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Carlton, support by Hemgesberg, to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. Motion Carried.

**Frances M. Kukulis, Clerk
Chesaning Township**