

Cato Township Meeting Minutes 5-8-2023

Clerk gave Oath of Office to new Board members Myers and Hubbard as Trustee and Supervisor prior to opening the Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance

All members present

Also present, D. Kelsey- Zoning & 24 Citizens

Opening remarks included thanking the prior Board Members for their years of Service to Cato Twp and thank you to Krystal Hatfield for running the Special Election

Public Comment on Agenda: None

Motion by Lincoln supported by Grieser to approve the agenda, all in favor, carried

Motion by Grieser supported by Behrenwald to approve the April Minutes as printed, discussion to remove the title of Engineer firm from the Land Plan Company McKenna, all in favor, carried

Treasurer gave monthly report on Checking balances and deposits, Motion by Lincoln supported by Myers to approve as presented, discussion on improved CD interest rates, all in favor, carried

Clerk gave monthly Bill Detail for May, Motion by Grieser supported by Behrenwald to approve and pay, discussion on Ice storm clean up of Cemetery, all in favor, carried

Zoning: Kelsey reported 1 new permit issued, 1 variance approved, follow up being done at Terry Dr and Cutler Rd

Planning Commission update given by Behrenwald as to Master plan, Post Cards and Surveys. There will be a public open House May 17th 2023. Clerk reported that Local MTA Chapter hosted a meeting that included a Blight Ordinance in Progress with Montcalm County and the Sheriff Dept.

New Business

Insurance Position Bond Schedule is being looked into

Banking Signatures, Motion by Grieser supported by Lincoln to remove Gilbert from Merc Bank and Community First Fed Credit Union accounts, all in favor, carried

Motion by Grieser supported by Myers to add Darlene Rushmore, deputy Treasurer to all accounts at Merc Bank and Community First Fed Credit Union, all in favor, carried

Clerk will contact former Supervisor for Keys, records and phone for Township

Clerk will contact State MTA to update record of those now holding office

Supervisor Hubbard will serve as Legal liaison, Motion by Lincoln supported by Myers, all in favor, carried

Motion by Hubbard supported by Grieser to appoint Myers to handle property splits with Hubbard as "Back up", all in favor, carried

Motion by Lincoln supported by Grieser to appoint ^{Brandi} Myers as Road liaison with MCRC, all in favor, carried

Community Center Committee to be Grieser, Lincoln, Hubbard and Myers as back up contact

Clerk will get 2nd quote for Electrical update at Cemetery

Motion by Hubbard supported by Myers to change June 5th meeting to Budget workshop and add June 19th as regular meeting and Public Hearing for Budget, all in favor, carried

Clerk will ask deputy Clerk if she is willing to be added to Bank accounts

Salary Resolution and Budget tabled until next regular meeting

Supervisor suggested budget reports need to be added to meeting packets every month

Clerk will run Advertisement in Local paper for positions of Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Review and Alternates

Motion by Myers supported by Behrenwald to appoint Hubbard to the ZBA, all in favor, carried

Motion by Hubbard supported by Myers to move Ben Stout to Zoning Board of Appeals from alternate, all in favor, carried

Clerk will contact alternate Board of Review member Bigler to see if she will serve as regular member on BOR

Motion by Hubbard supported by Lincoln to have Lincoln Serve on Lakeview Dist Fire Bd as Twp Rep, all in favor, carried

Motion by Lincoln supported by Hubbard to have Larry Gilbert to serve as Member at Large on LDFD, all in favor, carried

Old Business

Motion by Lincoln supported by Grieser to adopt "Final Decision" form for the ZBA to use for Appeals Hearings, all in favor, carried

Wilcox rd update tabled until revised quotes are received from MCRC

Tamarack Trail: Update after next Trail meeting

Public Comment included Wind Ordinance and Roads

Motion to Adjourn by Lincoln supported by Grieser, all in favor

Next Regular meeting June 19, 2023 7:PM

Todd Lincoln, Cato Twp Clerk

Cato Township Special Meeting June 5th, 2023

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order 7 Pm By Hubbard

All members present

Also present; County Commissioner Pat Carr, H.H. Assoc members Ken and Nancy Lundwall, 6 citizens

Motion by Hubbard supported by Lincoln to table item #4 on agenda for ZBA and P/C appointments along with Bank signatory until next meeting, all in favor, carried

Budget review for fiscal 2023-2024. Discussion items included line item adjustments, salary and wage review, request from Assessor for \$3300.00 expense to bring assessments up to date, ARPA spending

Discussion on alternate Newspaper for posting minutes and notices

Public comments included Security / Video camera equipment, cemetery software, bathroom floors, signage on Twp Hall, brine for roads

Motion to adjourn by Hubbard, supported by Lincoln, all in favor

Next regular meeting and public hearing for budget June 19th, 2023 7:00 PM

Todd Lincoln, Cato Clerk