

## MINUTES OF FIELD TOWNSHIP'S REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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The meeting was called to order at the Field Town Hall at 7:00 p..m.

Present: Supervisors Keith Fulcher, Tom Chapman, Joel Knutson, Hospital Representative Mike Enzmann, Treasurer Ellie Brunner, Clerk Pat Chapman, School Forest Liaison Keith Aho via zoom and township resident, Sylvia Makela.

The minutes of Field Township's board meeting held May 11 ,2021 were read and stand as noted.

Correspondence:

1. St. Louis County Land Office
2. Art Unlimited
3. MAT
4. Cook Timber Days
5. Colleen Rablin
6. St. Louis County Assoc. of Townships
7. IRS
8. Tim Chapman
9. Iron Range Historical Society
10. Pequaywan Township
11. St. Louis County Attorney Office
12. St. Louis County Public Works

Treasurer's report from Treasurer Ellie Brunner:

Beg. Balance: \$ 107,302.76	Ending Balance: \$104,875.65
Receipts: \$75.00	Plus Outstanding Checks: \$124.67
Disbursements: \$2,502.11	Total Per Bank Statement: \$105,000.32

Motion made by Supervisor Chapman, seconded by Supervisor Knutson , to approve the treasurer's report, claims and net pay distribution report. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Fulcher asked township resident Sylvia Makela to share. She had various editions of the Cotton Chronicle for the board to review. Chairman Fulcher was very familiar with the paper which highlights local business and township news and events. Mrs. Makela approved of the township boards efforts and thanked them. She would like to see more township news – maybe a once a year flyer about the township election and issues. Or information in the local paper about the township to keep people

Informed. The board thanked her for her input and agreed it was something to consider.

In correspondence an email was discussed from the Iron Range Historical Society requesting information on Field Township History.

Committee Reports:

Ambulance – Supervisor Chapman reported on the April 2021 ambulance information he received.

There were 26 calls, none in Field. There are 16 EMTs , 10 are active, 8 First Responders, 5 active. August 3 is tentatively National Night Out.

Fire- No report.

Road and Bridges –Supervisor Knutson will contact someone to dump 6-10 yards of gravel on S. Riddell and check with the county to grade it. He will also check on the Johnson Road sign. Supervisor Chapman made a motion to contact MNDOT to install a sign on Highway 53 designating Field Township, seconded by Supervisor Knutson. Chairman Fulcher will check on this.

Also, the information from the county about calcium chloride dust control was reviewed.

Hospital – Hospital Representative Mike Enzmann reported Scenic Rivers is planning to open a clinic in

Eveleth to serve low income patients. The Care Center is in a critical staffing situation. A new ultrasound is in use in the ER. The old one will be donated to a third world medical service. Covid vaccine is provided to the hospital at no charge. The hospital receives a fee from the federal government for administering the vaccine. No charge for the patient altho insurance may be billed.

Cemetery – Supervisor Knutson reported it is very dry to plant a tree at this time. The Watering Can has only fruit trees but he has a pine tree he could eventually transplant in Willard Pearson’s honor.

Supervisor Knutson made a motion to buy one 8 ft. bench of recycled plastic for \$1000. Seconded by Supervisor Chapman. Motion carried unanimously. The clerk will call the company to get details.

Supervisor Chapman reported he found 36 x 60 windows at Home Depot. He will check Lowes prices too. AWAIR was reviewed and approved.

It was discussed to install bulletin boards by the gate of the cemetery with the rules. Chairman Fulcher will research this.

Joint Powers Board – School Forest Liaison Keith Aho reported Senator Klobuchar has been approached about money for infrastructure at the school forest.

Planning and Zoning –Supervisor Chapman made a motion for the clerk to send an email to Commissioner MacDonald which would state ‘ Due to the amount of citizen input the Field Township Board has received we would like the Planning/Zoning Commission to reconsider the conditional use permit for Fred Denn.’ Seconded by Supervisor Knutson. Motion carried unanimously. .

Hall- LED interior lights were discussed. Also, the possibility of an outside yard light. Supervisor Knutson will contact Bill Nieters. Chairman Fulcher will research the American Rescue Plan further.

Old Business- None

New Business- Chairman Fulcher, Supervisor Knutson and Supervisor Chapman virtually attended the St. Louis County Assoc. of Townships meeting. Rep. Stauber along with other government officials attended to answer questions.

The next meeting will be July 13, 2021, 7 pm at the Field Town Hall.

Supervisor Chapman made a motion to adjourn at 9:12 p.m.. Seconded by Supervisor Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Keith Fulcher

Clerk Pat Chapman

Date







