

The December Regular Board Meeting minutes were approved on January 9, 2019, with a clarifying sentence change.

MARCELL TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Diane Coppens.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present – Diane Coppens, Bonnie Korte, Clif Block, Tracy Chase, Tim Hagen, Domanick David, and Guy Lunz

Guy Lunz-DNR- Mr. Lunz spoke on behalf of the Little Turtle Lake Access property that Marcell Township owns. The property is the only public access on that lake. The DNR, thinking the property belonged to them, has been maintaining the access. The DNR is not purchasing any more property, but they will accept a property if an entity wishes to donate the property. The township does not want to do this, and for the foreseeable future, the DNR will continue to maintain the access, but this situation cannot go on forever. The Marcell Township will discuss their options at a board meeting and contact Guy regarding their decision.

November 14, 2018, Regular Board Minutes – Motion to accept the November 14, 2018, minutes was made by Clif Block and Diane Coppens seconded the motion. MCU.

November 17, 2018 Board Minutes- Motion to accept the November 17, 2018, minutes was made by Clif Block and Diane Coppens seconded the motion. MCU.

Treasurer's Report – November 30, 2018, reconciled bank balance was \$648,628.00. The township is receiving quarterly interest on the CD's.

Approve & Pay Bills – Motion by Diane Coppens to approve and pay bills with check numbers 8142 to 8159. Clif Block seconded the motion. MCU. Payroll- \$1,647.32 and Claims- \$8,120.64.

Road Report –

Clif Block gave the road report. There was one round of plowing for the month. Jack the Horse Road received extra salt/sand due to icy conditions. And because of the limited snowfall, brushing took place on several roads, including Matt Zimmer, Chokecherry, West Johnson Lake, and Becker. Due to Clif Block not continuing to be the Road & Bridge liaison for the township, Diane and Tim Hagen will discuss road work for January.

Park Report –

Lighting Update –Tim Hagen will call regarding use of a bucket truck for Ryan Hubbard for lighting job on the rink and parking lot. A suggestion of setting up lights on the ends of the rink was mentioned until Ryan Hubbard can complete this project.

Ice Rink- Domanick has been flooding the rink and is on layer number nine. Thin layers seem to be the most effective way of making “good” ice. A shovel will be left out for people to use.

Hall Report -

Lighting Update- Ryan Hubbard’s crew has put in over one-hundred bulbs. They were short eleven bulbs and will finish the project as soon as they have them. Ryan has donated the labor time, and the township is only responsible for the cost of the lightbulbs.

Painting of Kitchen Cabinets- Jake Lepinski will begin painting the kitchen cupboards next week.

Old Business –

Sale of Property Updates- Clif gave Diane the material to review.

NIHD Special 2019 Levy Meeting- NIHD residents were happy the Marcell Township held the meeting. Good responses were heard.

New Business -

Legal Newspaper- Tracy passed out information from the Herald Review/Manney Shopper and the Scenic Range News Forum. Due to the closing of the Western Itasca Review/Deerpath Shopper, it was decided to use the Herald Review for the legal newspaper. This will continue until the Annual Meeting when the township residents can choose. Tracy will have the Deerpath Shopper and Western Itasca Review run this information.

Election Results- Tracy has been contacting people who were a write-in for the Supervisor C position. So far, a person to fill the open seat has not been found.

Polling Place- The Marcell Town Hall will be the polling place for the township.

Clif Block read a prepared statement regarding his time on the board. He thanked everyone for the work they do. Clif also donated \$1,000.00 to be put towards a flagpole for the Hall. Tim Hagen will help with getting it put up once the township receives it.

Committee Reports –

Diane attended the Township Association meeting. Lila Crowe, Itasca County Historical Society, mentioned there is a ~~Civil War to present day~~ Veteran’s Exhibit, from the Civil War era to present day, at the Historical Society. Also, \$42,000.00 was donated to the Bemidji Veteran’s Home. Local Vet’s use this facility.

Motion to adjourn at 7:06 PM was made by Diane Coppens and Clif Block seconded the motion. MCU.