

The Cormorant Township Board meeting was held on Tuesday, **April 27th, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cormorant Community Center. Board members present were: Chairman Steve Sorenson, Supervisor John Buhaug, Treasurer Susie Braseth, and Clerk Claudia Hanson. (Tony Hubbard on military leave)

A. **Call to Order** by Chairman Sorenson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. **Minutes** from the April 13th variance and regular meetings were approved with a motion by John, seconded by Steve. Carried 2-0. The claims/bills were signed as presented.

C. **New Business**

1) **Additional Cares Act funding** – Claudia recently attended a Becker County Assn. of Townships meeting which director Vance Bachmann informed that the township will be receiving about \$125,000 in additional federal funding.

2) **Additional Bridge Club** – Steve mentioned another Bridge Club would like to use our space on Thursdays. They will be contacting the office with details.

D. **Other Business**

1) **Exercise Room** – Ila mentioned that the room should be closed for a short period during the week so she can clean the exercise machines and space. Board agreed to set cleaning hours for Thursdays from 5:00 am – 9:00 am.

Additionally, the Board agreed to have the room open to 5 people maximum at a time, masks are required and post signs to have each exerciser sanitize their station after each use. Social distancing is also recommended.

2) **Community center reopening** – Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> will be official re-opening of the community center. Claudia will update website and the electronic messaging sign outside. People are welcome to use the several sanitizing stations that Ila set up thru out the building. Masking is required for anyone in the building and to social distance.

3) **Show Team** – Susie advised that a new organizer is needed for the Show Team. Nancy Sitz, the prime organizer of the Show Team, sadly has died from cancer this past year.

E. **Recycling**

1) **Furnace, pipe dumped** – John reported a furnace, pipe and other junk were dumped at the recycling center managed by Ericksons'. The perpetrator was caught on camera and identified. Board agreed a \$300 fine should be assessed as it will cost the Township to

dig out the furnace, load it and haul it away to the Solid Waste Disposal site for Becker County in Detroit Lakes,

- 2) **Bumper** – Claudia reported a car/truck bumper was dumped at the end of Oak Ridge Road cul-de-sac.
- 3) **HHW Day** – Claudia did reach out to Sandy Gunderson for another HHW Mobile Pick-Up Day. Sandy was going to check for an open date in June and get back to us.
- 4) **Signs** – Ila and John are improving the signage at each of the recycling centers.

**F. Roads**

- 1) **Road inspection** – This is scheduled for Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> following the Board of Appeals and Equalization meeting.

**G. Other Business**

- 1) **Safety meeting** – Darrin Galde, Border States Paving, will host meeting again on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.
- 2) **Board of Appeals/Equalization Meeting with Assessor** – This is set for tomorrow, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. Claudia checked, and John and Steve are board certified until July 2021.
- 3) **Flagpole** – A new pole has been received and it will be installed once Gopher One done marking area for digging pole.
- 4) **Kitchen ceiling** – John still waiting for some estimates for repairing this crack.
- 5) **Miscellaneous mail** – Board reviewed other impertinent mail.

**H. Adjournment** - The township meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. with a motion from Steve, seconded by John, and carried 2-0. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be May 11th, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Hanson, Clerk

