

**KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

April 1, 2024

4884 W. Curtis St.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jim Moore, Supervisor
Loretta Robinson, Clerk
Kathy Noel, Treasurer
Rick Bernhardt, Trustee
Mark Rice, Trustee
Rob Mills, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bekki Kooyer, Trustee

Also, present Dee Dee Frasure, Greg Wright, Pam Postma, Jason Bazuin, Rodney Leask, Clayton Noble, Kenny Noble, Justin Kubont, Jim Traynor and 15 others including Dave Parent from Egle via Zoom.

Supervisor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#1 MOVED: by Kathy Noel, second by Mark Rice to approve the April 1 agenda. Motion carried.

#2 MOVED: by Mark Rice, second by Loretta Robinson accept the March 16 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Jim Traynor County Commissioner is working with Neebish Island to work on getting later ferries. Also, wrote a grant for the Road Commission to finish Mackinac Trail.
- The Property by the train tracks is an EDC Project, it will be a lumber mill

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- We are bringing our seasonal workers back on for the pro shop; Jennie Hill \$12.50, Brian VanSloten \$12.50, Sandy Bockheim \$12.50, Neicia LaPlaunt \$13.50 (Assistant Responsibilities) Cierra Macdonald \$12.50 and a New Hire Wendy Petingalo \$12.00- Golf Maintenance- Matt Noel \$ 15.50, Joshua Johnson (Part-time) \$16.00 Hunter Killups \$15.50, Tom Moul \$15.50 Dave Postma (Part time Pro Shop and Maintenance) \$17.00 Roger Rutledge \$18.00 (Part time 1-2 days a week) Walt Schultz \$20.00 (Part time Mechanic 1-2 days a week) for a start day of April 5, 2024. Jim's Maintenance Crew; Mark Rice, Paul Fretz, Heidi Lewis, Dave Kemper all at \$17.00 an hour for a start date of April 15, 2024. Move by Rick Bernhardt, second by Rob Mills. Motion Carried.

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#3 MOVED: by Jim Moore second by Kathy Noel to negotiate a lease with Kasey Spencer for the Restaurant/Bar/Deck area of The Oaks Golf course. Motion carried. NEGOTIATE CONTRACT

Presentation done by Tim Colling, a civil engineer from Michigan Technological University. He gave a presentation and 5 different optimistic scenarios of the food waste operation.

#4 MOVED: by Kathy Noel, second by Mark Rice, to stop the Food Waste Operation, with five (5) yes votes, one (1) no vote and one (1) absent. Motion carried. END
FOODWASTE

#5 MOVED: by Loretta Robinson, second by Mark Rice, to not apply for the EPA Grant since we will no longer be continuing with the Food Waste Project. Motion carried. DO NOT APPL

#6 MOVED: by Kathy Noel, second by Jim Moore, for Rick Bernhardt to abstain from the vote and to cancel any consult for the Food Waste and have Rick Bernhardt continue the SRF but it is to be closed out within 60 days, with five (5) yes votes, one (1) abstain, and one (1) absent. Motion carried. CLOSE OUT
SRF

Discussion for the Waster/Sewer rate structure. Rick Bernhardt mentioned a possible committee for the water department and to revisit the water billing due to not counting an additional 100 meters which would mean we would be overcharging the public by \$100,000. Loretta Robinson explained to Rick Bernhardt that those extra meters are lawn meters that pull up on the report, and that we should not revisit it for at least 6 months and then see where the budget is at.

#7 MOVED: by Kathy Noel, second by Loretta Robinson, to approve the 2% cost of living for Township employees (not including EMS), 3% for department heads and deputies, and \$600.00 annually for the Zoning Administrator. Motion carried. APPROVE
COLA

#8 MOVED: by Mark Rice, second by Jim Moore, to accept Kristine Mesh as the RV West Host, as the previous selection has decided to pass. Motion carried. APPROVE
K.MESH

#9 MOVED: by Bekki Kooyer, second by Rob Mills, to pay the following bills. PAY BILLS

General Fund	24,951.98
Fire Fund	1,636.92
Police Fund	12,754.82
Recreation Center Fund	7,924.07
Ambulance Fund	109,054.97
Property Management Fund	1,242.12
Parks Fund	311.83
Fairgrounds Fund	625.22

Golf Course Fund	8,026.76
Sewer Fund	72,196.35
Water Fund	13,252.22

Grand Total \$251,977.26
Ck#58119-58151

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter of Support- Bay Mills, Walmart
- Police Board Minutes- 3-25-24
- Treasurer's Report

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Spring Clean-up will be on May 11th.
- Put any old Christmas trees at the end of your driveway and we will pick them up
- Thank you everyone for staying for the whole meeting, we appreciate it
- I am all for recycling, however, I cannot support something that is costing the township so much money. I would have enjoyed seeing the food waste succeed, however in the past 3 months there were no changes that made a positive impact.
- Cost went way up for water. We went by numbers, and if we overcharged, I see no problem with going down for a rate decrease. I am also not opposed to looking at a marginal increase.
- My consulting stopped in 2019, the board asked that I step in in 2022 for the SRF Grant
- Thank you for allowing me 3 months to fix what could have been solved 3 years ago with the food waste project

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.