

Custer Township Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2023

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00p.m by Supervisor Flake.

Members Present: R. Flake, R. Elder, D. Allen, R. Grote, S. Simon

Others Present: D. Bean, A. Fleet, R. Elder, J. Ottgen

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Elder supported by Allen to approve the August Agenda. MC.
2. Public Comments: Sheriff Bean retiring as of the 8th of September, he thanked the board for the support while he was sheriff, discussed Torch Fest, and stats for township
3. Approval of Consent Agenda Items: Motion by Allen supported by Grote to approve July Consent Agenda Items. MC.
4. Correspondence:
 - Antrim County Sheriff's stat report for July
 - July Antrim County Bulletin
 - From the Desk of Sheriff Dan Bean
 - Retirement Open House for Dan Bean Sept 9 @ 2pm
 - Peninsula Fiber Network: June news release
 - dcp Midstream Pipeline emergency contact information
 - Kalkaska County Planning Commission Master Plan Public Hearing Aug 9
 - Alden District Library August Newsletter
 - Mancelona Township Fire Dept. July report
 - STLFD no report this month
 - Trustee Regina Grote resignation letter as of Aug 31, 2023
5. Committee Reports:
 - A. Water and Sewer- The State has approved the permit to proceed with new well hook up. SVA water mains are approximately 2/3s complete, awaiting pressure reducing stations. Extreme leak on S. Danforth, repaired fitting on the corporation valve. 131 sewer extension will proceed with alternate route, awaiting State approval. School gathering bids for new grease traps for all buildings. WWTP- Lab tests minimally high due to sludge tank being full.
 - B. Ambulance Authority – June 2023 runs 129, Custer runs 10. New radios have arrived and are being assigned to employees. TAA will host a First Responders BBQ on September 20, 2023
 - C. Board of Review – Next meeting Dec 12
 - D. Technology/Web site – updated
 - E. Roads—Trustee Allen- Way Rd in progress, Bebb Rd begins in September
6. Supervisors Report: Had a meeting with B. Thompson to discuss road projects: Way Rd, road needing more work, grading, etc.; Bebb Rd will start after the first of September. The patch on Elder Rd is sinking. Johnson Rd. temporary patch will be fixed when Elmer's comes to do Bebb Rd. Looking into a new election AV ballot box and some kind of cameras will be needed. Fire extinguishers serviced. Chapmen cemetery; the well has been revised and brush clean-up has been completed from tree removal. Attended FEMA meeting- flood risk review of Antrim County. Attending MTA webinar- spending public money. Health Department asked to inspect possible violations at Simpson Road location. Discussion on Abatement program for violations
7. Public Comments: None
8. Action Items:
 - a. Motion by Grote supported by Elder to sign Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension. MC
 - b. Motion by Grote supported by Elder to run clean-up notice in Antrim Review for 2 weeks. MC
 - c. Motion by Simon supported by Elder to accept Trustee Grote resignation letter as of Aug 31, 2023. 4yes, 1no MC
 - d. Motion by Flake supported by Allen to fill board vacancy with Alex Fleet for the remainder of the term through November 2024. MC
9. Items for future consideration: Motion to pay clean-up workers
7. Adjournment of regular meeting: Motion by Simon supported by Elder to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. 4 yes, 1 no MC

Respectfully submitted by Stacy Simon, Custer Township Clerk