

**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**August 21, 2024**

The August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, meeting of the Moose Lake Township Board was called to order by Chairman Bob Moffett at 5:00PM. Present were Bob Moffett Jr., Steve Aldrin (via phone), Tracy Matuseski, Dawn Moffett, Karen Johnson, Jordan Haglund, Rebecca Lief-Kuster, Peter Aleshire, Jeffrey Kirk, and Donna Kirk.

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance** - Led by Chairman Moffett

**Approve Agenda** - Motion made by to accept the agenda with the addition of new business topic – Coffee Road concern, made by Tracy, second by Steve to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Approve Minutes** - Motion to approve the minutes listed below made by Steve, second by Tracy. Motion carried.

- July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Regular Meeting
- July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, Special Meeting
- August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Special Meeting

**Treasurer's Report**

General Fund: \$116,535.24	Road & Bridge: \$212,776.26	Donation: \$21,064.10 & \$21,750.00
Old CD: \$34,826.55	2019 CD: \$80,88.59	2020 CD: \$79,854.30

Motion to accept the treasurer's report and pay the August bills made by Tracy, second by Steve. Motion carried.

**Bills**     August 2024 Bills

Check #	Date	Amount of Check	General	R & B	Donations
Auto pay	8/10/24	277.41		x	
Auto pay	8/15/24	269.83		x	
Auto pay	8/30/24	194.16	60.16	134.00	
9072	8/21/24	3250.00		x	
9073	8/21/24	336.00		x	
9074	8/21/24	113.19		x	
9075	8/21/24	324.00	x		
9076	8/21/24	48.76	x		
9077	8/21/24	1350.00		x	
9078	8/21/24	7.34	x		
9079	8/21/24	9.38	x		
9080	8/21/24	70.72	x		
9081	8/21/24	125.00	x		
9082	8/21/24	125.00	x		

9083	8/21/24	233.79	x		
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Check #	General (net)	R & B (net)	Gross	Taxes Taken Out (employee portion only)	Total Net (amount of check)
9084	465.75		540.00	74.25	465.75
9085	346.20		375.00	28.80	346.20
9086	456.70		525.00	68.30	456.70
9087	608.20		725.00	116.80	608.20
9088	608.20		725.00	116.80	608.20

### Report of Officers and Representatives

- Fire District – The board has continued to review by-laws. Tomorrow a piece of property adjacent to the fire district is being appraised. The property is in process to be donated to the fire district. Question was posed related to the fire district's plans to offer CPR classes for the community. Rescue Annies have been purchased. Essentia Health is also interested in offering CPR classes for the community. A potential partnership may be explored.
- Community Ed – no updates
- Rebels Home Run Club – no updates
- Library – Last meeting was on Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>. Summer reading program ran from 6/8 to 8/9 and was a success. 108 individuals participated, 99 students and 9 adults with 75 reading logs submitted. The library hosted 30 programs this summer including free movies on Fridays.
- Park – Last meeting was on Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>. Two main topics were discussed. One, it has been requested of the city to provide a discount on camping fees to veterans. The city is reviewing the potential impact to the income with various discounts. Second topic, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade was a lot of fun. There is discussion surrounding the parade route to increase the number of people watching.

### Old Business

None

### New Business

- Brush – Peter Aleshire shared his concern with the expense of taking yard waste to the city's brush dump. He estimates taking 12 loads per year which cost \$30 each. An inquiry into any possible remedy in obtaining reducing costs for township residents was shared. At this time, there are no discussions between the City and the Township for reducing or eliminating the cost for brush.
- Proposal Police District – Jordan Haglund presented four pages outlining a preliminary proposal for establishing a police district with 9 municipalities. Jordan has reached out to begin legislative law that would be needed. Questions on proposed service and costs were shared. Jordan has researched some of the main component related to forming a police district which were outlined in a budget. The township residents are currently serviced by Carlton County and the

cost for coverage by the county would remain should there be a police district. Jordan shared that the township would have dual coverage with addition of a police district. During an annual meeting, a police district proposal was shared by the city, and the township residents responded that they were not interested due to the cost. The new proposal is approximately double the cost and would result in notable tax levy. The township board reported that we are not interested in pursuing the current police district proposal due to the high cost. Jordan may continue to refine and define the police district proposal and represent at a later time.

- Certification of town taxes for 2025 was completed
- Fitness Court
  - Installation – The fitness court will be completed tomorrow. The court looks good although there is some questions surrounding the tile installation with some gaps and misalignment noted. The installation team has done an impressive job and shared that there was inconsistency in the size of the tiles from one pallet to another. The board will continue to review the tile installation. The board will meet on Wednesday at the park to review the fitness court as well as the disc golf progress.
- 2024 Election – The Primary went well with all election judges working well together. The election judges have been approved for the November election.

#### **Communications**

- MLWASSD Minutes
- MLWASSD Communications
- MAT District 10 Meeting Notice and Election – August 29<sup>th</sup> - The meeting will be posted.
- Grand opening celebration Carlton County Justice Center – August 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon

#### **Announcements**

- Next Meeting will be on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 5PM
  - Review of fitness court and disc golf meeting at the Art Ohlgren park will be held on Aug 28<sup>th</sup> at 5PM.
  - Canvas Board meeting results from General election – 11/11 at 5PM

**Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Tracy, seconded by Bob. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM

Respectfully submitted

Donna Kirk, Moose Lake Township Clerk