

**Draft Minutes of Regular Board Meeting Amended Agenda – Carp Lake Township
September 17, 2025**

Open Meeting: 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Marty Hinrichs, Clerk, Ray Markee, Trustee, Mike Hinrichs, Supervisor, Gary Monville, Trustee, Lynda Brooks, Treasurer

Approval of August 20, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes

Roll Call Vote: MH, RM, MH, GM

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Absent –

Motion passed.

Approval of all Bill's and Claims paid for August 2025

Roll Call Vote: MH, RM, MH, GM

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0 Absent –

Motion passed.

Reports:

Lagoon: At 800,000 Gal. Last Year at 1 Mil. 2yrs ago 900,000

- Cell 1 Transfer to Cell 4. Cell 1 currently at 2 feet. 1 full discharge in late October and another discharge in November.
- A new heater pump was ordered for the Memory Lane Lift Station.
- Resident called and mentioned that the new Lift Station at the mall was running very loudly. Went out to check and it was the generator running. Spoke with genny people and it was almost out of fuel and had been running for 3 days. The Generator should only run for 15 min 1x per week. Northland came out and there was a loose electrical strip in the panel. – To prevent this from happening in the future looking into what the new station is capable of. Being that there is a phone line hardwired to the station and checking to see if there is a way that an alert can be sent to Rons & Mikes cell phones.
- The Flow Display at Lagoon was blacked out with No Power & no GFI. Northland Electric replaced the GFI and Battery Backup.
- Northland will be invoicing for the work done out at the Lagoon Flow Display as well as the Mall Lift Station.
- Using the Jetter to clean the Aspen Lift Station on Tuesday along with checking manholes on Oak Street. for Debris.
- Addressing the issue with the Aspen Station being continuously backed up from residents flushing items that should not be flushed, maybe look at installing a catch basin. Looking into the cost of this.

Fire Department: Called and got Bids for New Tires for Engine #5 C&M is better choice. Water Tanker was moved into the Rec. Building.

Zoning Administrator: “Hot Week” 5 Calls – All were contacted. -Looking into Liquor Inspector License Training. Maybe through SAM.gov – Will be gone for the Month of November. Amber will be sending Assessor copies of all the permits.

Assessor: N/A

Green Park / Bonanza Falls: New Sign is up, however, there were concerns of it not being tall enough or letters bright enough. Looking into clearing more vegetation, brightening the letters and possibly going taller. 5 Dead Trees have been taken out and cleaned/cleared up road.

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Carp Lake Twp Cemetery: A lot of research has been done on old side of Cemetery. Looking at other cemeteries, ours looks horrible. upon going out and viewing grounds there are a handful of lots that buried in the woods as well as a few broken headstones and sites that were covered with vegetation. There is double plots and lots being sold to 2 families and people buried on top of each other. A New map is needed along with updating/issuing new deeds.
Doing research on the actual name of the property as it comes up as The Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery. Looking into the actual name. Getting/accepting quotes for tree removal, new sign and fencing.
-After tree cutting, Come Spring (May-June) look at maybe doing a community Potluck to help clean up

Library: N/A at a Conference

Recreational Committee: We are looking for Volunteers for our upcoming Halloween Event “Carp Lake Township After Dark Spooktacular” that we will be hosting for the children of our township. This will be held up at the Mineral River Plaza Mall on Friday October 31st from 6:30p – 9p. We would like to open this up to the public if anyone would like to come up and set up Trick or Treat Stations. We received a bunch of decorations as a donation to CLT from Twilley’s in Bruce Crossing. Donations are Welcome!

Planning Commission: Meeting October 14th @ 6pm

- 1.) **Board Approval of Resolution 2025-18 Sexton/Caretaker of Carp Lake Cemetery/Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery and Pay. Onsite pay at \$17/hour and office pay at \$14.50/hr. Motion by Ray and supported by Lynda Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Motion passed.**
- 2.) **Board Approval of Resolution 2025-19 Rates for Plots and Lots and Carp Lake Township Cemetery / Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery. Rates to be \$250-500 Per Lot for Residents and \$500-\$1000 for No-residents. If purchasing entire Cemetery Plot one Lot will be free. Motion by Ray and supported by Marty Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Motion passed.**
- 3.) **Board Approval of transferring funds in the amount of \$41,033.40 from SDS Receiving into SDS Bond & Interest to cover Bond ‘s 92-01 & 92-04. Bond payments coming out October 1st. Motion by Marty and supported by Lynda Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Motion passed.**
- 4.) **Board Approval of transferring funds in the amount of \$10,000 from SDS Receiving into SDS O&M for fund balance maintenance. Motion by Marty and supported by Gary Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Motion passed.**
- 5.) **Board Approval of consolidating all Parks and Rec into one account for Carp Lake Township. Motion by Marty and supported by Gary Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0 Motion passed.**

Treasurer Comments: Sewer Bills should be back on track by October. Treasurer Hours open to the public are Tuesdays & Fridays 8a-12p. As a reminder it is the treasurer who handles sewer and tax payments. There is a drop box in the back of the building to drop payments.

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Supervisor Comments: We received an email regarding the geese in town and if we have thought of addressing it. We had been asked if we would consider issuing a permit to shoot and having a hunt in town to remove a lot of them. Going to say no to open shooting, but we will look at different options to rid the town of geese.

Clerk's Comments: Reminder of hours for clerk. Clerk and Deputy Clerk cannot handle payments for Sewer and Taxes. Not our department. Payments can be dropped off either at the inside drop box or exterior drop box. We have a CD with Miner's State Bank that Matured 9/16/2025. Currently we are at a 1% interest rate.

**6.) Motion for Board Approval of: Renewing CD for a term of 9mos at a 4.04% interest rate. Motion by Gary and supported by Ray Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0
Motion passed.**

-Needing snow removal bids for back up at the township for in case of emergency. Need to be a resident and carry insurance.

Public Comments:

- Tennis/Basket Balls Courts need more attention.
- Add a sign up front that there's a drop box out back for sewer and tax payments.
- Resident talked about the need to keep the younger generation here as well as drawing more people to our area. Looking for a possible letter of Support from township board to change the name of the Porcupine Mountains State Park to reflect being a state park as well as a National Lake Shore.

**Motion to Adjourn: Gary Supported by Marty Roll Call Vote: Ayes –5 Nays – 0 Absent – 0
The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.**