

**DECEMBER 15, 2020  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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Mayor Neidhamer called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Tom Neidhamer, Mayor Pro-Tem Ron Grunch, Commissioners Hugh Conklin, Sally Page and Dean Solomon  
All commissioners reported their individual physical locations as Boyne City, MI, USA (via Zoom).

Absent: None

Staff: Michael Cain, Cindy Grice, Caroline Kennedy, Kevin Spate, Patrick Kilkenny, Tim Faas, Scott McPherson, Mark Fowler, Kelsie King-Duff, John Lamont, Jessica Puroll, Dennis Amesbury and City Attorney James Murray.

Others: There was one citizen in attendance.

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**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

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**Winter Recreation  
Enhancements  
MOTION**

2020-12-128

Moved by Grunch

Second by Page

Approve recommendation of DPW Director to purchase the required trail grooming attachments and snow mobile trailer in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 plus shipping costs; approve an arrangement with Challenge Mountain to lease its snowmobile for the 2020-2021 Winter season; and approve the City Manager to execute the documents.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

**EMS Authority  
Discussion**

EMS Director John Lamont provided a verbal report regarding a county-wide discussion on the possible formation of an EMS Authority. This was prompted by Norwood Township wanting a voice in operations after receiving an increase in fees. Charlevoix County is not interested in an authority at this time. It is conceivable that if put to a vote and passed, an authority could be county-wide without the participation of the county. Discussion ensued among staff and Commissioners. The EMS Director will continue to participate in discussions and keep the Commission informed.

Mayor Neidhamer extended sympathies to Dennis Amesbury and his family on the passing of his mother.

**Closed Session Request  
MOTION**

2020-12-129

Moved by Neidhamer

Second by Grunch

Enter into closed session with city attorney regarding Attorney/Client Privileged document as provided in MCL 15.268 (h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976).

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried (2/3 majority vote required).

Spate, Kilkenny, Faas, McPherson, Fowler, King-Duff, Lamont, Puroll and Amesbury left the meeting

Enter closed session at 5:37 p.m.

Return from closed session at 6:42 p.m.

**Good of the Order**

Cain shared the following:

Barb Brooks graduated from the Michigan Municipal League's 16/50 Women in Municipal Leadership Program.

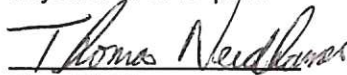
NLEA Director Andy Hayes' on-line retirement party on Thursday, December 10 was well attended.

**Announcements**

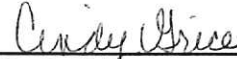
There will be a Special Farmer's Market on Wednesday, December 23.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mayor Neidhamer, second by Commissioner Grunch to adjourn at 6:43 p.m.



Tom Neidhamer  
Mayor



Cindy Grice  
Clerk / Treasurer