

CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS

December 8, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on December 8, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the proposed revised agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment:

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations: None

New Business:

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-54: Approving to comply with the provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by exercising the City's right to exempt itself from the Act for 2026.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution

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25-55: Approving a compensation increase for Election workers

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-56: Approving an increase in rental rate for the City hall auditorium used by Inclusion Dance and Gymnastics.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-57: Approving an agreement with the Chippewa Sno-Kats Trail Club.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-58: Approving an appointment of Joan Mussato to the Crystal Falls District Library Board.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-59: Approving the contracted Assessor agreement between the City of Crystal Falls and Tammy L. Hendrickson.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean seconded by Councilor Smith moved to postpone Resolution 25-60 until next meeting. Discussion regarding the contracted wage and how contracted services worked was discussed.

Mayor Bean rescinded motion.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve resolution 25-60: Approving the contracted cleaning services agreement between the City of Crystal Falls and Tara L. Peltoma.

Ayes: Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: Mayor Bean

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve resolution 25-61: Approving the Window Store bid for the City hall window replacement of the City Manager and City Clerk/Treasurers office in the amount of \$15,914.87.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve resolution 25-62: Approving the letter agreement with Kwik Trip, Inc. for a permanent access easement and related documents.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of November 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting on November 10, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Chief Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Robert Fabbri
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:27 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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November 10, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on November 10, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve the proposed revised agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Ret Ahimsa thanked the City manager and staff to the prompt response with fixing a manhole.

James Pacer asked when the SCS housing development would start and clarified that SC Swiderski is not building homes to sell or rent on the lots to the west of Valesano Way.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

Parking one side only along Forest Avenue was discussed. No action.

Hunting and or trapping within City limits was discussed. City Manager will do some more research for next month.

Councilor Cudnohufsky motioned with a second from Councilor Maki to allow Chippewa Sno-Kats Trail Club, Inc. to reroute and maintain trail on City Property. City Manager Valesano will sign the agreement and there will

be an official resolution next month's meeting.

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-50: Approving employee holiday bonuses in the amount of \$250.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-51: Approving land sale listings owned by the City of Crystal Falls through 2026.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-52: Approving a contract for school resource officer services between the City of Crystal Falls and Forest Park School.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-53: Approving payment for Change Order No. 2 of Contract No. 1 decreased from \$463,261.00 to \$463,072.71 and Change order No. 3 of

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Contract No. 2 increased from \$264,790.75 to \$348,612.38 for repaving services.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of October 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting on October 13, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Chief Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Robert Fabbri
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - H. Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:21 p.m.

PRESIDING OFFICER \_\_\_\_\_

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October 13, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on October 13, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor pro-tem Travis Cudnohufsky, Councilors Fabbri, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: Mayor Bean

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve the proposed agenda and excuse Mayor Bean.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Seth Miatech reported on the street paving project. Garfield Street, Floodstrand Road, and Runkle Lake have been paved. Paving will continue tomorrow and the whole project should be done in 1 ½ weeks. Jeff Nylund would like to see a ban on bow hunting in City limits.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky closed session at 5:12 p.m. to conduct a public hearing on the addition to Section 3.13 Residential Four District Row 3. Special Uses Authorized by Permit Item G. Storage Sheds.

No public comment.

Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky resumed regular session at 5:12 p.m.

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky closed session at 5:12 p.m. to conduct a public hearing on the addition to Section 3.17 Industrial One District row 2. Permitted Principal Uses: Item H. Gas Stations.

No public comment.

Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky resumed regular session at 5:13 p.m.

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky closed session at 5:13 p.m. to conduct a public hearing on the amendment of Ordinance No. 1.10 Real Estate Ordinance.

No public comment.

Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky resumed regular session at 5:13 p.m.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve the addition of storage sheds by special use permit in the Residential Four District to Zoning Ordinance No. 4 Section 3.13.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the addition of gas stations as a permitted Principal Use in the Industrial One District to Zoning Ordinance No. 4 Section 3.17.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the amendment of Ordinance NO. 1.10 Real Estate Ordinance.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Maki and Fabbri

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-48: Approving an Interlocal Agreement for Iron County to opt out of a designated Assessor for the period January 1, 2026 until agreement is revoked by Commissioners and majority of assessing units.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Fabbri, Smith and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-49: Approving a monthly facility/service fee for all City electric

customers when power has been disconnected.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

- 1. The following reports for the month of September 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting and Budget Hearing on September 15, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report was not submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky adjourned this meeting at 5:18 p.m.

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*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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September 15, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on September 15, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Pro Tem Travis Cudnohufsky, Councilors Fabbri, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: Mayor Bean

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Pro Tem Cudnohufsky led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve the proposed agenda and excuse Mayor Bean.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Rick Herman presented a hand-out regarding the need to have a homeless shelter and or ideas on how to deal with the growing number of homeless in the Iron County area.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267 15.268 Section (e) Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to go to closed session at 5:11 p.m. to consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

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Motion carried.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:23 p.m.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve a public hearing at the next regular meeting on October 13, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. to revise Ordinance NO. 4 Zoning for an addition of gas stations under permitted use within the Industrial-1 District, allow storage sheds with special use within Residential-4, and amend city Ordinance No 1.10 Real Estate Ordinance.

Ayes: Mayor pro-tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Maki and Fabbri

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-41: Approving the City's 4<sup>th</sup> quarter budget amendments.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Fabbri, Smith and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-42: Approving revisions to the City of Crystal Falls Employee Handbook.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

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Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-43: Approving a third draw payment to Danielson Contracting, Inc. and Change Order No. 3 credit to the City.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-44: Approving changes to MERS Health Care Savings Program Participation Agreement.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-45: Approving the purchase of a 2025 306-07 Caterpillar Excavator in the amount of \$114,250 in next fiscal year's budget.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-46: Approving the City of Crystal Falls vote for members of the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

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Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-47: Approving change order No. 1 for contract 1 and change order No. 2 for contract 2 submitted by Bacco Construction Company for street improvements.

Ayes: Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of August 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting and Budget Hearing on August 11, 2025
  - B. Special meeting from August 14, 2025
  - C. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - D. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - E. Electric Department activity report was not submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - F. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz
  - G. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - H. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor pro tem Cudnohufsky, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Mayor Bean

Motion carried.

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Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky read a thank you note from Kara and Bobby Woollard for the use of Runkle Lake ballfield for a softball tournament in August.

Mayor Pro tem Cudnohufsky adjourned this meeting at 5:31 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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August 14, 2025

A special meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on August 14, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, and Smith

Absent: Councilor Fabbri

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and Attorney Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve the proposed agenda and to excuse Councilor Fabbri.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Fabbri

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Presentations: None

Public Hearings: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve the offer to purchase from Kwik Trip for parcel #002-080-027-00 in the amount of \$100,000. Also to authorize the City Manager and the Mayor to sign the agreement. Annexation from Crystal Falls Township into the City of Crystal Falls will be a requirement.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, and Smith

Nays: None

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Absent: Councilor Fabbri

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve the Coordination Fee Agreement with Jim Emmers in the amount of \$4,000 (4%).

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Fabbri

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the Agreement to incorporate GIS support services with WPPI in the amount of \$14,300 per year for a term of 3 years.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Fabbri

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:09 p.m.

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*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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A budget hearing of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held at the city hall council chambers Monday, August 11, 2025, at 4:30 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith.

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Valesano, City Clerk/Treasurer Peltoma, and City attorney Daryl Waters

Mayor McCarthy led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Manager, Gerard Valesano presented the 2025-2026 Budget.

Public Comment - None

Council Comment - Councilor Smith asked when the paving of the roads will happen. City Manager Valesano informed her that the paving will start at the end of August or beginning of September. Mayor Bean asked if there was any word yet on a resource officer. City manager informed the mayor that we are waiting for an interview with a prospect from Marquette. Councilor Smith does not like the increase with sewer and water, but understands that it needs to be done.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 4:40 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on August 11, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Maki and Smith.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the proposed revised agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Pursuant to OMA 15.268(e), Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to go into closed session for the purpose of consulting with attorney regarding the attorney's opinion at 5:01 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:20 p.m.

Public Comment: Tammy Hendrickson, City Assessor gave a report that because of the new road Valesano Way, the residents that live in the Western location will not have their property taxes increased. She explained that the only time your taxes will increase is for state mandated inflation or if you add an improvement.

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Randy Curnow from 104 Fairbanks Road spoke on the safety issue with the confusion of Fairbanks Road and Fairbanks Drive. He said that the ambulance has gotten lost because of the similar names.

Barbara Luck spoke regarding the new road Valesano Way is a good thing, but that the council should listen to the public.

Barbara Webb handed out papers that described the history of the airport that closed around 1963.

Mike McCarthy spoke on the history of the Valesano family and their contributions to the City of Crystal Falls.

Jill Curnow asked the council to listen to the elderly in the community and not to forget some of the history in the City of Crystal Falls.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to change the September 8<sup>th</sup> regular meeting to September 15<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Property Bid:

Sandy Peterson bid on City owned property along Fairbanks Road. A bid in the amount of \$8,500 was received. Minimum bid set by the Assessor, Tammy Hendrikson is \$8,500.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve bid from the Sandy Peterson in the amount of \$8,500 plus \$130 for recording/deed preparation for Parcel 3 along Fairbanks Drive. Legal

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*description: Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 20 marked by a concrete monument; thence S 00°20'43" E along the East boundary line of the NE ¼ - SE ¼ a distance of 800.29 feet to a rebar pin located on the South right-of-way line of Fairbanks Road; thence N 85°15'45" W along the South right-of-way line of Fairbanks Road a distance of 178.17 feet to a P.I.; thence N 87°42'32" W a distance of 30.47 feet to a rebar pin; thence continuing N 87°42'32" W a distance of 115.24 feet to a P.I.; thence S 86°36'57" W a distance of 96.16 feet to a rebar pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence S 00°20'43" E and parallel to the East boundary line of the NE ¼ - SE ¼ a distance of 537.36 feet to a rebar pin located on the South boundary line of said forty; thence S 89°40'15" W along the South boundary line of the NE ¼ - SE ¼ a distance of 297.18 feet to a rebar pin; thence N 00°20'43" W a distance of 331.96 feet to a plat concrete monument; thence N 42°32'05" E a distance of 120.98 feet to a rebar pin; thence N 05°00'52" E a distance of 105.67 feet to a rebar pin located on the South right-of-way line of Fairbanks Road; thence N 86°27'01" E along the South right-of-way line of Fairbanks Road and the South boundary line of the Assessor's Plat of Fairbanks a distance of 196.28 feet to a plat concrete monument; thence N 86°36'57" E a distance of 9.03 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 3.32 acres of land.*

The deed will have a stipulation that construction of a new home must start within 2 years and must be occupied within 4 years.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Hearings: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-37: Approving the annual budget and millage rates for the City of Crystal Falls for the 2025-2026 budget year.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

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Abstained: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-38: Approving the 26<sup>th</sup> draw payments of \$37,898.

GEI Consultants of MI - \$1,545.36

Crystal Steel House - \$3,355.00

Energetics Process Control - \$8,184.14

Crane Engineering - \$ \$18,040.00

City of Crystal Falls Administrative work - \$6,773.63

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-39: Approving a 3-year contract that will provide residential garbage and recycling services within the City of Crystal Falls to GFL (Green for Life).

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-40: Approving and authorizing Ahonen & Tregembo, PLLC auditing services for the fiscal years ending September 30<sup>th</sup> of 2025, 2026, and 2027.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of July 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting from July 14, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Chief Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Robert Fabbri
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri reported on the 911 Advisory Board meeting. RFPs were sent out and on September 4<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting to discuss the proposals from Marquette, Dickinson, and Negaunee townships for dispatch services. If the county decides to accept any of the RFPs, it would affect 6 full-time jobs.

Councilor Cudnohufsky explained that he was the councilor that motioned to name the new road in the western Valesano Way and gave reasons why and what the Valesano's have done for the Crystal Falls community. He also stated that the apartment complex is really needed. Nurses are

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staying at campgrounds in the area because there is no housing available.

Councilor Smith offered to extend Valesano Way to Fairbanks Drive to alleviate the safety concerns regarding the Fairbanks Road and Fairbanks Drive.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:51 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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July 14, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on July 14, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Maki and Smith.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the proposed agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Barbara Webb, Sue Wheeler, Ken Lamprecht, Emily Wickerham, David Wickerham, and Ian Vassar announced their disappointment in the new lots to the west of new road Valesano Way with no buffer which they said they were told they would have. Also, they were displeased with the prohibition to purchase the lots that are east of their homes without the clause that there has to be a home built within 2 years.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

City Manager announced that Tara Peltoma, Clerk/Treasurer has been named to the 2025 National Municipal Clerks Honor Roll.

Property Bid:

Iron County would like to purchase property near the ski hill for a garage. A bid in the amount of \$6,000 was received. Minimum bid set by the Assessor, Tammy Hendrikson is \$5,200.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve bid from the Iron County sheriff's department in the amount of \$6,000 plus the cost of a survey and \$130 for recording/deed preparation.

Ayes: Mayor Been, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Public Hearings: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-30: Approving the City of Crystal Falls vote for Michigan Municipals League Workers Compensation Fund. Two appointees have agreed to seek election to their first term. Deborah Stuart, City Manager of Mason City, and Craig Stolsonburg, Village Manager of the Village of Middleville. Two candidates seek re-election for second and forth terms. Brian Boggs, City Council member of the City of Durand is seeking re-election to his second term. Maureen Donker, Mayor of the City of Midland is seeking re-election to her fourth term. All are running unopposed.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to close regular session and move into closed session Pursuant to OMA 15.268 Sec. 8 (c) for the purpose of CEG and IBEW union contracts discussion at 5:35 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:38 p.m.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-31: Approving, Authorizing, and Directing the Mayor and City manager to sign the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreements with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 906 and the City Employees Association.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-32: Approving the application for a local governing body charitable gaming license for the Crystal Falls Musicale.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-33: Approving the City's third quarter budget amendments.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-34: Approving date and time for Budget Hearing of August 11, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-35: Approving the twenty fifth draw to GEI Consultants of MI, PC for City Sanitary Sewer Improvements in the amount of \$508.25.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-36: A resolution honoring retired department of Public Works foreman, Kelly Stankewicz.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

- 1. The following reports for the month of June 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting from June 9, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Chief Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Robert Fabbri
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to close regular session and move into closed session Pursuant to OMA 15.268 Sec. 8 (c) for the purpose of City Manager and Clerk/Treasurer contract discussion at 5:48 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Regular meeting resumed at 6:12 p.m.

Mayor Bean read out loud a Thank you letter from Ms. Wollard for use of the ballfield for her graduation party.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 6:22 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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June 9, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on June 9, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Maki and Smith.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve the proposed revised agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Sue Alexa announced that the Crystal Falls District Community Library has many things to offer and wanted to let the council know that it is a great resource for the citizens of the City of Crystal Falls.

Rick Herman asked the council to consider a homeless/abuse shelter for the area that is needed.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

Joe Daggett, WPPI CEO gave the annual members report.

Public Hearings: None

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to close regular session and move into closed session Pursuant to OMA 15.268 Sec. 8(c) for the purpose of union negotiations at 5:27 p.m.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Smith, and Fabbri

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Regular meeting resumed at 6:08 p.m.

Property Bid for Lot 8 along Valesano Way from Dean Hendrickson was received in the amount of \$7,500. Minimum bid for the lot is \$7,000.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve the bid from Dean Hendrickson in the amount of \$7,500. Construction needs to begin

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within 2 years of date of deed and occupying within 4 years or lot reverts back to the City of Crystal Falls. Additional cost of deed preparation and recording of \$130 will be charged to Hendrickson.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-27: Approving participation in the Efficiency United Energy Waste Reduction Program Beginning January 1, 2026.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Smith moved to adjourn until next meeting on July 14, 2025 Resolution 25-28: Approving, Authorizing, and Directing the Mayor and City manager to sign the proposed Collective Bargaining Agreements with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 906 and the City Employees Association.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-29: Approving Change Order No. 1 of Contract 2 for the City of Crystal Falls 2025 Street Improvements.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of May 2025:

- A. Regular meeting from May 12, 2025
- B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer  
Tara Peltoma
- C. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian  
Zelakiewicz
- D. Electric Department activity report was not submitted by  
Electrical Supervisor David Graff
- E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by  
Foreman Kelly Stankewicz
- F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
- G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer  
Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 6:16 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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May 12, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on May 12, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, and Maki.

Absent: Councilor Smith

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve the proposed agenda and excuse Councilor Smith.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations:

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor Bean closed regular meeting at 5:09 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing regarding the renewal of 2.75 mills for fire protection.

Public Comment: None

Regular meeting resumed at 5:09 p.m.

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor Bean closed regular meeting at 5:09 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing regarding dead ending Urban Avenue and Ski Hill Road between US-2 (South 5<sup>th</sup> Street) and Forest Ave.

Public comment: Todd Loehr who lives on the corner of Ski Hill Road complains about the dust from vehicles driving effecting his outdoor activities.

Zach Hautala commented that he does not think closing the road will reduce the dust. People will still drive on it and turn around.

Regular meeting resumed at 5:12 p.m.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve the dead ending of Urban Avenue and Ski Hill Road.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki and Fabbri

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

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Motion carried.

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor Bean closed regular meeting at 5:15 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing regarding the Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for the 2026 Sewer and Water System Improvements Project.

Public Comment: None

Regular meeting resumed at 5:15 p.m.

Presentations:

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-23: Approving the Special Assessment of 2.75 mills for Fire Protection pursuant to Act 33 Public Act of Michigan 1951.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

Abstained: Councilor Fabbri

Motion carried.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-24: Approving the Crystal View Parking Lot Payoff in the amount of \$137,334.41.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-25: Authorizing publication of Notice of Intent to Issue Revenue bonds and Declaration of Intent to Reimburse for the Water Supply System (Western Lead water lines).

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Travis moved to approve Resolution 25-26: Authorizing City Manager, Gerard Valesano, as the Environmental

Review Certifying Office, the person to certify the Michigan CDGB Application, the person authorized to sign the grant agreement and payment request, and the person authorized to execute and additional documents require to carry out and complete the grant.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of April 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting from April 14, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report was not submitted by Electrical Supervisor David Graff
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Quarterly Investment report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - H. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Smith

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean read thank you notes from some of the WPPI grant recipients.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:21 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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April 14, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on April 14, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve the proposed agenda with the deletion of the conflict-of-interest statement.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Public Hearings:

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor Bean closed regular meeting at 5:08 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing to adopt Emergency Ordinance 2.13 to regular Ordinance 2.13 - An ordinance to prohibit the construction, placement, or maintenance of any structure not including fishing shanties or tents on the reservoir north of the City of Crystal Falls hydro dam that may pose a risk of damage to the dam or interfere with its operations.

Councilor Comments: None

Public Comment: None

Mayor Bean reconvened regular meeting at 5:09 pm.

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Councilor Maki seconded by councilor Cudnohufsky moved to adopt Ordinance No 2.13 - An ordinance to prohibit the construction, placement, or maintenance of any structure not including fishing shanties or tents on the reservoir north of the City of Crystal Falls hydro dam that may pose a risk of damage to the dam or interfere with its operations.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Presentations: Karl Ahonen representing Makela, Pollack & Ahonen, P.L.L.C presented the 2023-2024 Audit.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to hold a public hearing at the next regular Council meeting on May 12, 2025, at 5:00 pm to adopt the distribution of the Special Fire Assessment Levy.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstained: Councilor Fabbri (works for the Crystal Falls Fire Department as the fire Chief)

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to hold a Public Hearing on the possible road closure of Urban Avenue.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilor Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Old Business: None

New Business:

Congratulations to Clerk/Treasurer Peltoma on achieving the Association of Public Treasurers of the United States and Canada Advanced Certified Finance Administrator Certification.

City Manager Valesano announced that the city is no longer underfunded in its Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) or its pension obligations through the Municipal Employees' Retirement Systems (MERS).

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the 2023-2024 Audit.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-18: Approving the City's Second Quarter Budget Amendment.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-19: Approving the addition of Valesano Way and extension of Fairbanks Road to the Crystal Falls Street System for Act 51 funding.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

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Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-20: Approving the 24<sup>th</sup> draw payment to GEI Consultants of Michigan, PC in the amount of \$6,192.00.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-21: Approving the distribution of WPPI grant funding as recommended and submitted by the City's Electric Committee.

Michael Mainville - \$1,000 Forest Park Scholarship

Business Professionals of America - \$1,000

Fortune Lake Bible Camp - \$1,000

CF Lion's Club - \$1,000

Crystal Falls Senior Center - \$500

CF Contemporary Center - \$1,000

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-22: Approving the appointment of Harold Robbe and Mick Valesano to the Planning Commission.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

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Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of March 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting from March 10, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:28 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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March 10, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on March 10, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano, Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma and City Attorney, Daryl Waters.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve the proposed agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Ret Ahimsa would like to add a name to consider for the new western road of "Old Miner's Road".

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations: A date was set for April 11th at 11:30 am for an electrical committee meeting for WPPI grant dispersal.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to hold a public hearing at the next regular Council meeting on April 14, 2025, at 5:00 pm to adopt City Ordinance No. 2.13: An Ordinance to prohibit the construction, placement, or maintenance of any structure not including fishing shanties or tents on the reservoir north of the City of Crystal Falls hydro dam that may pose a risk of damage to the dam or interfere with its operations.

Bid was reviewed from Gary Curnow on .09 acres located off Fairbanks Road which his driveway currently is on. Minimum bid set by Tammy Hendrickson, the assessor is \$500.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to accept the \$501 bid from Gary Curnow for parcel #36-052-020-021-30 plus \$130 for cost of deed preparation and recording.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to name the new road in the western "Valesano Way" in honor of Rudy, Mark, and Gerard Valesano which have over 100 years combined service to Crystal Falls.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilor Cudnohufsky, Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-13: Approving the date of Saturday, May 10, 2025 for the City's "Spring Clean Up" at the Bristol Mine Property from 7 am - 1 pm.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-14: Approving the City's participation in the State bid process for winter road salt 2025-2026.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-15: Approving to opt in with the provisions of Public Act 95 of 2013 (Low Income Energy Assistance Fund) for 2025-2026.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-16: Authorizing the payment of recurring bills without immediate council approval.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-17: Authorizing the City Manager as the signatory for Rural Development forms 1940-1 and 1942-46.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

- 1. The following reports for the month of February 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting from February 10, 2025
  - B. Special meeting from February 13, 2025
  - C. Special meeting from February 26, 2025
  - D. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - E. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - F. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.
  - G. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.
  - H. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - I. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Fabbri, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:26 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS

February 26, 2025

A special meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on February 26, 2025, at 2:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Smith and Fabbri.

Absent: Councilors Cudnohufsky and Maki

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano and Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the proposed agenda and excuse Councilors Cudnohufsky and Maki.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Smith and Fabbri

Nays: None

Absent: Councilors Cudnohufsky and Maki

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Presentations: None

Public Hearings: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Emergency Ordinance 2.13: An emergency ordinance to prohibit the construction, placement or maintenance of any structure on the reservoir north of the City of Crystal Falls hydro dam that may pose a risk of damage to the dam or interfere with its operation.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Fabbri and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky and Maki

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 2:13 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS

February 13, 2025

A special meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on February 13, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki.

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano and Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve the proposed agenda and excuse Councilor Cudnohufsky.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Presentations: None

Public Hearings: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Councilor Fabbri seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-12: Approval to purchase a 2023 GMC Acadia SUV for City use in the amount of \$28,680.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Maki, Fabbri, and Smith

Nays: None

Absent: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:25 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF CRYSTAL FALLS

February 10, 2025

A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on February 10, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano and Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Maki seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve the proposed agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: Rick Herman whose address is 132 McClaren Road, is very involved in the local food pantry and Feeding America. He reported that a homeless shelter is needed in Crystal Falls.

Ret Ahimsa representing the Community Library noted that the library is available most days of the week for people to go and keep warm with activities to do. Mr. Herman would like to see a shelter where people can go at night.

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations: None

Public Hearings: None

Old Business:

Clerk/Treasurer read additional conflicts of interest for Councilors Smith and Fabbri:

Smith - Works for 911 dispatch

Fabbri - Works for Florence Utilities

New Business:

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-06: Approving to schedule the March Board of Review Meeting.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-07: Approving the City's First Quarter Budget Amendments.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-08: Approval to contribute \$1,500 to Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team. (UPSET)

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-09: Approval to purchase a 2023 GMC Acadia SUV for City use in the amount of \$28,680.

Ayes: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Nays: Mayor Bean, Councilors Maki, Fabbri and Smith

Absent: None

Motion failed.

The city Council would like to see more bids from non-local dealerships and to look into purchasing a vehicle through MI Deal. A possible special meeting could be scheduled.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-10: Approving the proposed bid from Bacco Construction for the City of Crystal Falls 2025 Street Improvements. Bacco Construction bid - \$463,261.00 and Payne & Dolan bid \$527,999.25.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Fabbri moved to approve Resolution 25-11: Approving amendment to Owner-Engineer agreement NO. 2 and 23<sup>rd</sup> draw with GEI Consultants, PC of Michigan totaling \$18,388.46.

Rural Development - \$9,529.50 Reimbursement to City's Sewer Fund and \$8,808.96 paid to GEI Consultants. An additional \$671.54 from SPHR Grant will be paid to GEI.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilor Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of January 2025:
  - A. Regular meeting from January 13, 2025
  - B. Treasurer activity report and Quarterly Investment Report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, Fabbri, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:28 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_

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A meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the City Council Chambers on January 13, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Tim Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki.

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Gerard Valesano and Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Mayor Bean led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve the proposed agenda.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

City Manager Valesano presented the City Manager's report.

Presentations: Mayor Bean read the resignation as of January 7, 2025 of Councilor Hautala.

Mayor Bean presented a resolution of Thanks to Zachary Hautala.

Mayor Bean read Letters of Interest from Mike McCarthy and Steven Fabbri.

Both candidates spoke on why each would be best for the appointment as a Councilor to fill Zachary Hautala's open council seat. The term would be until November of 2026.

Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to nominate Mike McCarthy to fill the open seat. There was no support.

Motion failed.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to nominate Steven Fabbri

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to the open council seat.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Maki and Smith

Nays: Councilor Cudnohufsky

Motion carried.

City Manager asked if any councilors would be interested in the vacancy on the Central Dispatch Advisory Board. Mayor Bean is interested. A letter of support from City Manager, Gerard Valesano will be sent.

Public Hearings:

Pursuant to OMA of 1976 PA 267, Mayor Bean closed regular meeting at 5:12 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing regarding increasing the parking ticket fines from \$15 to \$25. Ordinance No. 3.02.

Councilor Comments: Councilor Smith asked if the times from 2 am - 7 am could be looked at.

City Manager Valesano explained that the times are very common among municipalities.

Mayor Bean asked if the ordinance could be changed to November 1<sup>st</sup> or the first snow fall of the season. City Manager Valesano will look into it.

Public Comment: None

Mayor Bean resumed regular meeting at 5:21 p.m.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to increase Parking Ticket fines from \$15 to \$25 in Ordinance No. 3.02.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Old Business: None

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New Business:

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-01: A Resolution to amend Guidelines and Policy for Poverty Exemptions.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-02: Approving Payment Application No. 2 and Change Order No. 1 for Danielson Contracting, Inc.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Cudnohufsky moved to approve Resolution 25-03: Granting permission to the Chippewa Sno-Kats Club, Inc. to maintain a snowmobile trail on City property from December 1, 2024 to April 15, 2025.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved to approve Resolution 25-04: Approving to designate City Manager, Valesano for the City of Crystal Falls to sign the Grant Agreement (Contact Number 24-5491) Funded

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by the MDOT Transportation Economic Development Fund Category B Program.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Cudnohufsky seconded by Councilor Smith moved to approve Resolution 25-05: Approving City Clerk/Treasurer, Tara Peltoma to sign loan documentation for a 5-year, \$105,641.37 loan to purchase the 2020 938M Cat Frontend Loader (previously leased).

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Smith seconded by Councilor Maki moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of December 2024:
  - A. Regular meeting from December 9, 2024
  - B. Treasurer activity report as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma
  - C. Police Department report as submitted by Sgt. Brian Zelakiewicz
  - D. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.
  - E. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.
  - F. Assessor's report as submitted by Assessor Tammy Hendrickson
  - G. Payroll and Disbursements as submitted by Clerk/Treasurer Tara Peltoma.

Ayes: Mayor Bean, Councilors Cudnohufsky, Smith, and Maki

Nays: None

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Absent: None

Motion carried.

Clerk/Treasurer administered the oath of office to newly appointed councilor, Steven Fabbri (vacated position from Councilor Hautala). Clerk/Treasurer read aloud Councilor Fabbri's Conflict of Interest Statement which included:

A brother (Robert Fabbri) that works in the electric department Steve is an employee (Fire Chief) of Crystal Falls Township  
Mayor Bean adjourned this meeting at 5:38 p.m.

*PRESIDING OFFICER* \_\_\_\_\_

*PRESIDING CLERK* \_\_\_\_\_