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Harris Township

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Mission Statement:

The Harris Town Board strives to enhance the quality of life, protect the environment, and maintain economic stability for the residents of their community.

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Supervisor Dennis Kortekaas 326-1882
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Supervisor Burl Ives 259-1279
Supervisor – vacancy TBD
Treasurer Becky Adams 259-1192
Clerk Michele Smith 327-9930
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REGULAR MEETING April 15, 2015 at 7:30pm AGENDA

1. **Pledge to the flag**, followed by the reading of the township mission statement
2. **Consider approval of Minutes** from the Regular Meeting on April 8, the Work Session on April 14, the P&D Meeting on April 22, and the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization on April 23, 2015.
3. **Northwest Gas representatives:** Discuss upcoming expansion for 2015
4. **Business from the floor**
5. **Consent Agenda**
 - Consider approval of the RBA regarding compensation for the two full-time maintenance workers and the part time Town Hall Caretaker, as recommended by the board at the April 22, 2015 P&D meeting.
 - Consider approval of Resolution 2015-006 *A Resolution Designating the Compensation for Officer of the Harris Town Board*, as discussed at the April 14, 2015 work session.
 - Consider approval of the amended “Employee Compensation Policy”, page as recommended at the April 14, 2015 Work Session
 - Consider approval of the amended cemetery policy, as approved by the board at the April 22, 2015 P&D Meeting (“Fees per Grave” section, and “Contact persons” section)
 - Consider approval of Resolution #2015-005 *A Resolution to Update the Administrative Policy regarding Board Meeting and Access to Public Information* (note updated agendas of section #6. *Order of Business*)
6. **Roads**
 - Glen Hodgson – SEH Road Engineer
 - Recommendation regarding a 2015 gravel road project, after reviewing roads
 - Follow-up regarding Alicia Place stumps
 - Follow-up regarding signage at Wendigo Park Circle/Wendigo Park Road/Alicia Place
 - Other road issues/concerns/comments
7. **Recreation**
 - Request by Itasca Little League to reserve Crystal Springs Park ball field (see email from Connie Sutherland)
8. **Correspondence**
 - **Board Action items:**
 - None
 - **Noteworthy items:**
 - MN Power invite for open house for Great Northern Transmission Line (Tues 5/12 – Timberlake Lodge)
 - Email of thanks from Kelly Whitted, Assessor for Harris Township regarding LBAE held 4/23/15

- Collaborative Opportunities meeting minutes from April 15, 2015
- MN Dept of Health report of results of water testing at Harris Town Hall: samples were in compliance with safe drinking water rules
- Non-action items
 - Certificate of Insurance received from Hawkinson Construction for all work performed
 - Copy of Itasca County's *approval* documentation for Variance from Kimberly Fuhrman and Christopher Laux, to replace a cabin on Pokegama Lake
 - Thank you note regarding use of town hall, from Cindy G.
 - Thank you letter from the Itasca County Historical Society for the annual donation
 - Post card from MN Dept of Employment and Economic Development regarding reporting requirements if our township government awards business subsidies, including JOBZ projects. *(Not applicable as Harris Township does not provide cash, loans, or tax incentives to any groups or individuals.)*

9. Old Business

- Discuss potential dates for an ATV Trail Open House in June 2015 *(see email from Megan Christianson)*

10. New Business

- Discuss a Memorial Day celebration at Harris Cemetery on 5/25/15, and who can attend
- Discuss if summer maintenance interns are desired for 2015, and a hiring process/company if applicable

11. Treasurer's Report – dated May 13, 2015 (of April 2015 financials)

12. Approve payment of bills for May, 2015

13. Public Input *(please limit comments to 5 minutes)*

14. Adjourn

UPCOMING Events / Meetings

Wed May 27 Work Session to interview candidates for Town Board Supervisor-Seat A.....	6:00pm Harris Town Hall
Wed May 27 Planning & Development Meeting.....	7:30pm Harris Town Hall
Mon June 8 Itasca County Twp Association Meeting.....	7:00pm 911 Center (airport)
Wed June 10 Regular Meeting.....	7:30pm Harris Town Hall