

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting April 3, 2007 7:00-7:55 p.m.

Roll Call: Members present: Wilson, Fulcher, Howard, Ahlborn, Balko Absent: None Visitors: Janet Miron, Ron Bell, Ken McPherson and John Shauver. The April 3, 2007 meeting was called to order with Supervisor Wilson leading the pledge.

Public Comments: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion Fulcher/Second Howard that minutes of March 6th and March 13th meetings be approved. Motion carried.

Clerk's Correspondence: Census bureau questionnaire, Senor All Night party request for donation, DEQ application from township for dredging of Cox Pond, MTA spring meeting pamphlet.

Supervisor's Correspondence: Anderson/Tackman newsletter, CUPPAD Dave Gillis will be retiring,

Requested Items: A: Zoning Administrator: Finished review of residential district, seems to be no non-conforming properties in residential areas. Next month will begin measuring distances from water to cottages to measure setbacks and determine non-conforming parcels as there needs to be 50 feet between. Also will work on business signs and billboards. Some in the area are non-conforming.

Fire Department: Chief, Assistant Chief and Captain are in Escanaba at a DTE meeting. Department is applying for 95/5 grant for a brush truck and Scott air packs. Also there is a possibility that the department may be able to get six 800 megahertz radios through Covington Fire Department. The cost will be \$300 per radio which is about a quarter the cost of the radio. We now have two radios.

Clerk's Report: There will be an election on May 8th, with school board members, township road millage and Commission on Aging millage renewal on the ballot. There will be an election school for clerks, deputy clerks and election chairmen on April 12th from 1-4 p.m. at the township hall. Our township has been chosen for the QVF lite program which will give clerk control of some voting records here in our office instead of having to rely on the County Clerk. More information to come.

Supervisor's Report: Authorized prepayment for chassis of firetruck. Still working with DEQ on park project. Board of Review went well, there were 36 petitions. Regional meeting to be held at our township on April 24th at 5:00 p.m. Had another meeting with Bob Lindbeck on presentation for road millage.

Unfinished Business: A: Adjust budget for 2007-2008. Budget was adjusted to reflect correct carryover amount from previous budget year. B: Discuss propane provider for Shingleton hall. We can get propane from Norman Oil for \$1.55 per gallon. We will change companies once the snow goes and we are able to switch tanks. Bowman price is \$1.73 and Lagasco is \$1.89.

New Business: A: Tabled Hardship Exemption Policy until next month. B: Requests for annual donations. **Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that we give \$300.00 for Senior All Night Party. Motion carried. Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that we give Commission on Aging \$1,500.00. Motion carried. Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that we give Tri County Fire Department \$1,500.00. Motion carried. C.** Discuss needs for repairs at Shingleton Community Building. **Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that we put out for bids repair on base of Shingleton Community Building. Motion carried.** Supervisor to prepare bid specs. D. Request for floors in Shingleton dugouts. **Motion Fulcher/Second Ahlborn that we pay for cement for dugouts at Shingleton field. Motion carried. Ron will arrange getting it done. E:** Public hearing date on road millage request. Date set for April 19th at 7:00 p.m. for public hearing on our request for road millage on the May ballot. Bob Lindbeck, Road Commission Superintendent will give the presentation. F: Review increased insurance rates. Because of hurricanes in the south our replacement costs for our buildings are higher, therefore our insurance bill is higher to include this increase. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Howard we approve \$750.00 increase on insurance statement to cover higher rates. Motion carried.**

Committee/Policy Reports: None

Public Comment: Ron Bell wondering if we were aware that the DNR is having a meeting on the 10th in regards of land they are disposing of. The township has an opportunity to purchase properties that they may be interested in during this sale. Ken McPherson stated that spring cleanup in our township will be on May 19th. Wilson said that he has had a request for a green box at Shingleton on that day for people to bring trash to. McPherson will check into this for us.

Building Report: Church on Sunday evenings, ALS was here all day on the 1st, DNR on the evening of the 10th, zoning on the 11th, clerk training afternoon of the 12th, Terri Braunshausen on the 15th, Regional Committee meeting on the 24th.

Treasurer's Report: Receipts: \$83,073.04, Disbursements: \$22,936.47 and \$34,375, Balance savings account: \$80,731.40, Balance General Fund: \$1,270.77. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that bills numbered 6599 to 6667 be paid. Motion carried.

Motion Ahlborn/Second Balko that we adjourn. Motion carried. We are adjourned at 7:55 p.m..

Next meeting: May 1, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at Munising Township Office Complex.

Respectfully submitted,

Selina Balko, Clerk

Dan Willson, Supervisor