

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting May 1, 2007 7:00-8:55 p.m.

Roll Call: Members present: Fulcher, Howard, Ahlborn, Balko, Wilson. Absent: None. Visitors: Harold Anderson, Joni Flynn, Tim Flynn, Ron Bell, John Shauver, Janet Miron. The May 1, 2007 meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Supervisor Wilson leading the pledge.

Public Comment: Joni & Tim Flynn: They have been attending the Partnership for Development meetings. This group has also broken into smaller groups addressing certain issues. Joni and Tim are on the signs committee. They are trying to come up with guidelines on what types of signs we would like in our community, colors, themes, etc. This group meets on opposite weeks of the Partnership for Development meetings. Joni will attend the township zoning meeting as signs are addressed in our zoning ordinance. She will also come back to our board with reports. Wally Ahlborn will also start attending Partnership for Development meetings, representing our board.

Approval of Minutes: Motion Fulcher/Second Howard that minutes of April 6, 2007 meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Clerk's Correspondence: Burnham & Flower: we will soon have other investment options with our pension plan, they will get back to us on this. Fourth of July Committee looking for donations, Census Bureau: workshop on May 7th in Marquette if anyone is interested in attending.

Supervisor's Correspondence: MTA: workshop on personnel policies, U P Engineers: public comment period has passed on dredging of ponds, freeze on grants in the state does not affect our grant for the boardwalk project, that money was already approved, Picture of sign proposed for Kurt Olson Development, Thank you from Commission on Aging,

Requested Items: A: Zoning Administrator: Reviewed 167 water frontage parcels, 60-65 are non conforming lake lots since there is not 50 foot setbacks to the lots. The zoning board will decide how to deal with these properties. B: Assessing School Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that Wilson attend an assessing class for five days at the Soo in June at a cost of \$425.00. Motion carried.

Fire Department: Purchased a GPS for one firetruck. Will evaluate and decide if it would be benefit to buy one for each truck. Received 8 Scott Airpacks from Alger Max. Have already applied for a grant for airpacks and if it is successful then these air packs could be donated to another department. There was only one fire this month.

Clerk's Report: Church group no longer using building, said to pass along their thanks for use of the building. Public accuracy test on the 25th went well. Still do not have computer cards for AutoMark machines. QVF Lite program is up and running in clerk's office giving her more control of voting records for the township. County Clerk to come here to help with any questions. Election day next Tuesday.

Supervisor's Report: Public hearing on road millage went well, attended by about 15 residents. Met with Mr Bovin and some city commissioners about city cemetery and ice arena. City is going in debt with their cemetery. This is not our problem, we have our own cemetery. City now manages ice arena and is looking for ways to fund this also. Attended CUPPAD meeting, DEQ will be coming up with regulations with outdoor wood burning furnaces within two years. Our zoning board is just starting to look at this subject. UPPCO stipulation is settled, costing \$11,702.02. \$280.00 is our portion and we must collect the rest from the other entities that owe. Scoreboard for little league field should be here within two weeks. Ron will put poles up to mount it on. Regional Committee asked for a congratulation letter to Richardson and Madigan for being appointed to the Natural Resources Committee. Wilson took care of this.

Unfinished Business: A: Port-a-johns: Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that we have port-a-johns put out at Shingleton, Wetmore tennis courts, playground and boardwalk/ball field areas. The one at the boardwalk to be a handicapped accessible port-a-john. Motion carried. B: Shingleton Hall Renovations: Base of hall needs sprucing up to make the building look more presentable. Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that Ron Bell purchase and install FP ultralight insulation for base of

building. **Motion carried. C:** Resolution to support SRC
Resolution offered by Howard, supported by Fulcher that Munising Township board support Shingleton Recreation Club in their efforts to supply recreation opportunities for the Shingleton area. Roll call vote: 5 aye, 0 nay, 0 absent. Resolution passed. D: Dumpster and dugouts for Shingleton. **Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn to approve a compactor for one hour for Shingleton for dumpster on clean up day. Motion carried.** Ron Bell has a crew ready to get floors poured in the dugouts at Shingleton. Thank you Ron.

New Business: A: Dust Control. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Fulcher that we accept bids for dust control and put them on file. Motion carried.** Liquid Calcium Chloride Sales: \$.627 per gallon. Liquid Dustlayers Inc: \$.528 per gallon **Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that we let bid to Liquid Dustlayer Inc. Motion carried B:** Cable franchise: We received notice that our 15 year franchise contract with Grove Cable for the Shingleton VanMeer area will be up in October. Wilson talked with our lawyer about adding a paragraph to the contract about charging a franchise fee. Summers said we cannot have a franchise with Grove Cable and not with Charter. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Howard to table cable franchise agreement until June. Motion carried. C:** Cemetery policy Wilson met with the city about their cemetery. They will be raising their rates for their cemetery. If this causes many more burials for our cemetery we may have to review our cemetery policy. **D:** Telephone answering service for second line. When office is very busy and only one person here it is hard to get to both lines at times. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Howard that we get voice mail for second line at township. Motion carried. E:** Fire Truck Fund vs Fire Truck Millage Account. No need for Fund since we now have millage account. **Motion Fulcher/Second Ahlborn that we transfer \$64,502.75 from Fire Truck Fund to our savings account and close that account out. Motion carried. F:** Cemetery Entrance repairs. **Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that we have Gerou spruce up the entrance road to the cemetery for \$384.00. Motion carried. Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that clerk order American and Firemen flags for the cemetery and a new flag for outside the township hall. Motion carried. Motion Fulcher/Second Howard we donate \$250.00 to the Fourth of July Committee. Motion carried.**

Committee/Policy Reports: Miron is working on policy changes and will present to the board at another meeting. Howard reported that there wasn't alot going on at the regional meeting. Skate park committee has raised \$37,000 so far and is beginning construction on the park already.

Public Comment: None

Building Report: Postal testing on the 4th, Shower on the 5th, Democratic Party on the 7th, Election on the 8th, Zoning board on the 9th, Graduation parties on the 19th, 26th, 27th and 28th.

Treasurer's Report: Receipt's: \$1,342.19. Disbursements: \$54,863.41. Balance Savings Account: \$23,260.18. Balance General Fund: \$1,202,21. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that we allow bills numbered 6669 through 6733 be paid. Motion carried.

Motion Fulcher/Second Howard that we adjourn. Motion carried. We are adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Next meeting: June 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at Munising Township Office Complex.

Respectfully submitted,

Selina Balko, Clerk

Dan Wilson, Supervisor

