

## **Munising Township Regular Board Meeting April 3, 2008 7:00-8:05 p.m.**

**Roll Call:** Board members present: Howard, Wilson, Ahlborn, Fulcher, Balko. Absent: None. Visitors: Janet Miron, Ron Bell, Ken McPherson, Harold Anderson, Michelle Hach, Mike Feldhusen, Char Dugas, and Jolene Hetherington. Supervisor Wilson opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

**Public Comment:** Ron Bell stated that there is a need in Shingleton for a cell phone tower as there is no cell phone reception there.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion Fulcher/Second Howard that the minutes from the March 4, 2008 meeting be approved. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Correspondence:** DEQ: permit for Besse Forests for a temporary bridge over Mosquito Creek for logging purposes, permit application for Delta County Road Commission for work done on County Road 440, copy of license for Wandering Wheels Campground.

**Supervisor's Correspondence:** Alger County to receive \$150,000.00 for help to fix up low income houses. Prison liaison meeting minutes, MTA Classes.

**Requested Items:** **A:** Zoning Administrator, absent **B:** Library Board: Informational presentation. Char Dugas, director of the Public Library spoke on the upcoming millage proposal for library services in the May election. The request for millage is to create a stable fund source to meet requirements set by the state to qualify for state funding. To qualify for state aid the library must: 1: Be open at least 30 hours a week, with 10 hours on weekend. 2. Provide certified staff. 3. Provide financial support equivalent of 3/10 of one mill of the taxable value of our county.

**Fire Department:** Hoses that were ordered came in. There were four fires. Tri County's pumper is down so if there is a fire we will be called.

**Clerk's Report:** Election commission met before the meeting tonight and approved roster of election workers for the May 6th election. There will be four workers in Wetmore and three in Shingleton. Paperwork was submitted to the state for reimbursement for the January primary election. There will be clerk election training given by Pete Dishnow here on Friday. End of fiscal year budget update in board packets. Books balanced quickly and to the penny.

**Supervisor's Report:** Board of Review went well. Planning commission is still working on getting changes to zoning ordinance proofread and submitted to be republished. Next project is to develop a master plan. Still working on pavilion project. Deed has been recorded and cemetery is now all ours. Title for new fire truck was received and sent to the bank.

**Unfinished Business:** **A:** Adjust 2008-2009 budget. Final carryover amount from last year to this budget year is \$159,512.14. **Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn to adopt the 2008-2009 budget as amended. Motion carried.** **B:** Off Road Association request for support. Trail 8 ORV/snowmobile trail is forestry property, not DNR property. **Motion Howard/Second Fulcher to have township send a letter of support for trail 8 to be designated as an ORV trail so that it will qualify for funding to maintain in the future. Motion carried.**

**New Business:** **A:** Annual participation requests for money. **Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that we give \$300.00 for the Senior All Night Party. Motion carried. Motion Fulcher/Second Ahlborn that we give \$5,000.00 to the Munising Area Partnership Organization. Motion carried. Motion Fulcher/Second Howard that we give \$200.00 for the Grandparents appreciation dinner to the Munising Bay Arts Association. Motion carried. Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that we give \$1,500.00 to Tri County Fire Department. Motion carried. Motion Howard/Second Ahlborn that we give \$300.00 to the Alger County Animal**

**Shelter. Motion carried. B:** Pavilion bids: One bid was received for a pavilion to be built at the rec area. Bid from Cleary builders for \$42,586.00. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Fulcher that we accept the bid. Motion carried. Motion Ahlborn/Second Howard that Supervisor be allowed to let the bid once we have DNR approval. Motion carried. C.** Audit: Proposal from Anderson, Tackman for our audit for fiscal years 2007-2008, 2008-2009, and 2009-2010 is for \$5,900.00 is \$5,900.00 per year. This is up \$700.00 from recent years but down from original estimates for audit. With new regulations it takes 20% longer for audit to be completed. We have been very satisfied with Anderson. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Howard that we hire Anderson, Tackman for our audit for the next three years. Motion carried. D:** Dust control: **Motion Ahlborn/Second Howard that Supervisor be allowed to negotiate with companies for dust control in our township. Motion carried.** This will be done in May. **E.** Insurance coverage. We can save \$3,500.00 on our premium this year if we up our deductibles some. **Motion Ahlborn/Second Fulcher to accept new insurance contract with higher deductibles. Motion carried.**

**Committee/Policy Reports:** None.

**Public Comment:** We need to start looking into doing something about the drainage problem on the west side of the township hall. Will be on the agenda for next month.

**Building Report:** Clerk training all day on the 4th, DNR all day on the 5th, Baby shower afternoon of the 6th, ALS all day on the 11th, Mark Wilson afternoon of the 13th, Quilt group afternoon of the 15th, Cindy Hines afternoon of the 19th, Wetmore Community Club evening of the 21st, Public hearing evening of the 23rd, Public accuracy testing morning of the 29th and 4-H evening of the 30th. Wilson thanked Balko for her report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Receipts: \$85,504.81. Disbursements: \$19,191.41. Balance general fund: \$1.00. Balance savings account: \$159,512.14. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

**Motion Howard/Second Fulcher that bills numbered 7408 through 7475 be paid. Motion carried.**

**Motion Fulcher/Second Howard that we adjourn. Motion carried. We are adjourned at 8:05 p.m.**

Next meeting Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. due to election on the 6th.

Respectfully submitted,

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Selina Balko, Clerk

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Dan Wilson, Supervisor