

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting - September 7, 2010 - 7:00-8:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Supervisor- Dan Wilson, Deputy Clerk -Terri Leveque, Treasurer- Bonnie Fulcher, Deputy Treasurer- Janet Miron, Trustee- Wally Ahlborn, Trustee- Lisa Howard. Absent- Clerk - Selina Balko. Visitors: Debbie Fulcher, Kay LeVeque, Charlie Starzyk, Ron Bell, Ken Mcpherson, Barry Hoover, Harold Anderson, and Bob Balko. Supervisor Wilson opened our September meeting leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: Barry Hoover started with economic development of the township and a meeting he was going to on the subject. Discussion on it. Lisa stated we do support economic development We are participants of CUPPAD and GBPMD . Wondering if we can support a citizen from our township to go to these meetings . We need to check with MTA. Barry stated he will find out more information for us on this and get back to us, and we are going to check with MTA in the meantime. It will not help him with the cost this time. But maybe for future meeting we can help out.

Approval of Minutes : **Motion Fulcher/Second Ahlborn** to approve the minutes (corrected minutes) of the August meeting . **Motion carried**

Clerk's Correspondence: DNRE permit regarding removal and replacing Culvert. We had a fairly good voter turnout for the State Primary Election. With all 3 Precincts we had 32.4 %. Paper from Attorney Mr. Summers regarding it was going to cost us zero dollars in outstanding legal matters.

Supervisor's Correspondence: Note from capital currents that the Governor or the State is going to pass a budget and we are only going to take a 3% hit instead of a 5% hit like they told us. Public service commission is going to ask for a raise in its fees. CUPPAD is asking us to take part in a hazard litigation plan. It is very similar to the plan that we are already part of with Alger County so we will do what ever they ask us to and fill out any surveys that they ask us to fill out. Michigan Consolidated Gas is going to ask for an increase of 2.28 dollars per month per customer. UPPCO is also going to up its rates. Charter is going to add surcharges. Change Agenda -We need to add snowplowing to agenda (add as E.) snowplowing (added as E.) on New Business -**Motion Howard/Second/Ahlborn, All yes, no nays**

Fire Department: 6 Fire Incidences. Had to get new radiator for one of the vehicles

Clerk's Report: -?

Supervisor's Report: A possibility of a small problem. Next summer the plan is for the Alger County Road Commission to do some paving of Lost Lake Road up to the Powell

Lake road intersection.

Part of the Forest Service is going to do a bridge over the little Indian. If they pull the bridge and there is no access, the plan is to pull the bridge and close the road for several days. So between now and next summer we are going to have to work something out. Like maybe leaving a fire truck on the other side or something. It is an issue we are going to have to face. Lisa asked if this is our final say? ACRC is the final say. Did depositions for zoning. We are kind of out of that loop now . Sent a support letter to CUPPAD for its economic work with one of the federal agencies. We have been working with cable America and they finally came through and we are now \$500.00 richer. The point of doing this is so that Cable America is exactly the same as charter. Shingles in the park. Kids have been tearing them off, but lately there have not been any taken off the building. Sent Audit numbers down to Energy, Labor, And Economics'

Unfinished Business: Parks and Rec.-They have met several times, But what we need to do is 1: Are we going to be the fiscal agent? We will have to have a motion for or against. 2:If we become the fiscal agent the 2 employees. would become contract services. Will have to get those contract's written by Mike Summers and the Board would have to approve those so we can pay them. 3. We have to hire Mike Summers to join with DRobb Ferguson and Greg Murphy to write a probable public non-profit or 501-3c, or 501-70, which ever is the best way to get the money and we will have to work with our attorneys to see which ever is best and quickly. Hopefully within one year we will have that and parks and rec will then become a stand-alone agency and can its own. The goal here is to still have 4 and possibly 5 contributors. Would be like the financial committee, and all the rest still there would be like the general committee. We would just be doing the paperwork and get in on an auditing basis that they are a stand-alone. The 4th: thing is Selina is on sick leave and we need someone to be our voice on that board.

Lets Start with the Fiscal Agent, proposed for 1 year. Take over as of October 1st as the Fiscal Agent. Between now and the 1st. of October I have already contacted Anderson and Tackman and they will show, Terri, Bonnie, Debbie and Selina, if she is up to it, how to set it up and put in Quick Books. We will hopefully do this for a year and within that year we will do steps 2 and 3. Lisa asked who was footing the bill for the extra stuff, like the lawyers fees for getting the 501-3c status. That would be Munising Township, Grand Island Township, Autrain Township, and the City. So were splitting the costs .Dan stated, We are the creators of Parks and Recreation. Dan said he had a meeting with Ferguson and DRobb said that technically it should be public non-profit .

First Question - Do we want to be the Fiscal agent? Someone on the floor asked if anyone was going to be compensated for writing these checks and taking care of account. Dan said our Treasurer does that and we have not figured a compensation factor yet. The city did

charge Parks and Rec \$8,500.00 for that but Deb Fulcher said that went up because of the arena also. We are responsible for their money, we are audited for their money, but technically the Parks and Rec Board has to approve all the checks, and spending, for their programs. That takes us out of the loop. Dan stated he would take a motion that we be the Fiscal Agent for 1 Year for Alger Park and Rec.

Motion Fulcher/Second Howard, Motion Carried. Next thing is we need to hire Debbie and Sue as Contract agents. They are going to be employees of the township, but separate from the township. The contract will be written by Mr. Summers. But we need a motion to allow Mr. Summers our Attorney, to allow that. **Motion Ahlborn / Second Fulcher. Motion Carried.** No. 3 we need a motion to allow our Attorney to meet with Autrain's Attorney, and the City's Attorney to create a stand-alone agency for Parks and Rec. Because that is going to cost us money we need a motion. Motion Howard / Second Ahlborn. We need a voice on that committee. It has to be a board member. **Motion Ahlborn /Second Fulcher to have Lisa be the Temporary liaison on the Board of Alger Parks and Rec. Motion passed.**

Debbie Fulcher thanked us over and over how thankful she was to the Board for taking Alger Parks and Rec. onboard. Dan stated how thankful he was to have the program around and the help it has given children from kindergarten on up.

Item A-- Bowman Gas is who we had last year, (had a Flyer on it) This year's pre-purchase program is limited to the number of gallons we used last year. Dan stated if we went with option 2 we would have to write them a check for \$1,751.84. Last year that got us all the way through the year. What I would like is a motion to enter into Program 2 for Bowman gas for the winter of 2010-2011 **Motion Fulcher /Second Howard Motion carried that we take a contract with Bowman Gas. Bonnie Wrote Check**

Item B- The Master Plan, last month we wrote all of our questions and recommendations into the master plan and wrote the master plan and tonight, what they are looking for, is to approve the distribution of the master plan to the concerned businesses, services, and individuals in the communities for their feedback. There is a list of people who want it. They will make corrections, and recommendations, and will send it back to the planning commission and the planning commission will look at them and they will decide whether to incorporate them or not and when that's done they will send it back to us for final review and approval. So at this point we are asking for approval to distribute the proposed Munising Township Master Plan. So we need a motion to Distribute

Motion Ahlborn /Second Howard. Motion Passed.

Item C - Amend the Budget-- We are going to have to add money to legal. We have Mr. Summers working on a lot of issues in the township right now. So Dan would like to put \$2,000.00 into legal. That is under Township Board Legal. It is now at \$3,000.00 I would like to make it \$5,000.00. The second part of that we will call B. I would like to add, right now we have deputy clerk wages at \$ 3,000.00 I think we

should add \$6,000.00 to that. I know we won't need all that but I would like to add the \$6,000.00 to that and make it a total of \$9,000.00. So that's a total of \$8,000.00. I would like to add to those 2 items and take it from recreation improvement that's capitol improvements we have \$58,250.00 currently. I would like to reduce that to \$50,250.00. I would like to take that \$8,000.00, and split it \$6,000.00 and 2,000.00. And add it to those two spots. **Motion Howard/Second Fulcher Motion Carried.**

Item D- Cemetery Road - For \$2,500.00 we can get ground up gravel which will allow us to loop around the center area. This is something for next spring or maybe possibly this fall. It is going to come out of the road fund. Stan Gerou is about the only man in the area that does this kind of work. Dan is going to ask Stan if there is anyone else around, then we have it put out on bids, but if Stan is the only one then we will get a price from Stan and have it for the October Meeting.

Item E. - We need to advertise for snowplowing Bids. We will do it for 2 years again and accept bids until October 4th at 4:00. Then there was discussion on doing the bids on hours or job. The Last time we did it was by hours, so we will keep it the same. Motion to advertise for snowplow bidding by the hour for the next 2 years with sealed bids until 4:00 pm Monday October 4th, 2010. **Motion Alhborn/Second Howard Motion Carried.**

Committee/ Policy Reports--- Everyone please read your policy reports
Lisa stated she had a FOIA, she had sent e-mail but I could not get it to open in any program on the computer. I asked her to please re-send so I can redistribute it.

Public Comment-- Let's congratulate Dan he has never missed a meeting in 14 Years. He will not be here for the next meeting in October though and needs someone to run the meeting. Lisa stated she would run October's meeting.

Building Report -

Wednesday- September 1st, 8th, and 15th - Taxes 1:00- 5:00

Saturday -September 4, Private Rental

Friday -September 3rd, and 10th, Taxes from 1:00-5:00

Tuesday September 7th, Quilters at 1:00 and Township meeting at 7:00.

Thursday September 9th - Munising bay Quilt Guild - 6:00

Monday September 13th MARSP From 10:00-1:00, Taxes 1:00-5:00

Thursday September 16th, Alger Parks and Rec. 12:00

Monday September 20th Wetmore Community Club - 7:00

Tuesday 21st. Quilters at 1:00

Wednesday September 22, Pathways -11:00- 4:30

Treasure's Report: Receipts- \$9,169.16. Disbursements _ \$18,675.03, balance savings account as of 9/01/2010-\$119,329.96. Balance General Fund \$123.24. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

Motion Howard / Second Ahlborn to pay bills 9374 through 9454 motion passed.

Next meeting Date October 4th at 7:00 pm

Motion to adjourn- Motion Fulcher /Second Howard .

Proposed and Approved by Supervisor

Respectfully Submitted -- Terri LeVeque