

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 2nd, 2017 7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Supervisor—Lisa Howard, Clerk—Patty Willson, Treasurer—Nicole Graves, Trustee—Carmon Decet. Board Members Absent: Trustee—Selina Balko. Also present: Assistant Fire Chief—Bob Balko, Janet Miron, Dave Nelson, Roger Carlson, and Teri Grout.

Supervisor Howard opened our January 2nd, 2017 meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion Trustee Decet/Second by Treasurer Graves that we **approve the December 5th, 2016 minutes.** Motion carried.

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received thank you card from Ron Bell and family; Tri-County Septic—price increase and requesting to reserve early due to limited availability; Summer Tax Resolution from Munising Public Schools—2017 summer tax collection; and a Campground Construction Permit—Scott Lakosky (Catchin' Crickets Campground on H-15 in Shingleton) authorization of 21 more primitive sites for a total of 25.

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Alger Co. Rural Task Force Committee meeting to be held at the ACRD on 1/25/17 regarding projects eligible for funding including capital projects and road and bridge constructions on roads. Received correspondence from Charter—price increase and new channel; Fahrner—Holiday card; Chris Case—submitted "Tire Disposal Grant" for all of Alger County (disposed of 86 tires during last cleanup); and Proclamation for School of Choice notice.

Requested Items:

A: Fire Department – None

B: Alger Conservation District – Request \$2,000 for services contract and a letter of support regarding U.P. Phragmites Coalition—Sustaining Habitat Restoration grant.

Clerk's Report:

The recount in MI was cancelled and our sealed ballot containers are back in our building. Been in contact with Kim Fooy at Burnham & Flower. Kim will mail the forms needed to make the switch to monthly contributions. Spoke with TCM Bank, completed and faxed the necessary paperwork to update credit card users. No correspondence from TCM Bank but the one card requested be cancelled is now cancelled. The 4 board members planning to attend the "New Officials Training" on January 12th are signed up and confirmed. Working on year-end stuff and preparing to send out W-2's and 1099's.

Supervisor's Report:

Wood Island Landfill received a violation. A copy of that letter, of 12/6/2016, is in the office along with a "fact sheet" pertaining to the cells at the landfill. Been in contact with Ms. Carolyn St. Cyr. Emailed Carolyn our log of complaints up to 12/27/16. Carolyn copied Munising Township in email of 12/29/16 to Darell, Manager, and Troy, Site Manager. That letter covered present odor complaints, a new requirement that landfill send photos of the cover at the end of each day to Carolyn, a meeting in January to discuss odors, a gas collection system, a gas monitoring system, as well as the use of an alternative daily cover. Replaced dangerous ladder with a new 6' ladder from Menards. Sent a letter to UPPCO requesting a street light on Olson Road where school children are picked up. Received Swamp Tax of \$73,398.23. Battery salesperson visited the township and left information.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Trustee Decet/Second Treasurer Graves to **amend the agenda and include "G—Alger Conservation District requests"**. Motion carried.

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A: Consider snow blower—Clerk Willson/Second Trustee Decet to **purchase new 28” Ariens snow blower from Madigans and not to exceed \$1,300.** Motion carried.

B: Consider portable toilets—Supervisor Howard/Second Trustee Decet to **reserve (3) portable toilets from Tri-County Septic.** Motion carried.

C: Discuss Blight Ordinance—Supervisor Howard would like to re-word the ordinance and add a timeframe with the help of MTA.

D: Discuss Web site—Schedule a workshop for board members to discuss needs and wants of Web site.

E: Board of Review Appointments—Supervisor Howard/Second Clerk Willson to **appoint Ken Heyrman, Lisa Howard, Marianne Laskay, and Jon Mills (alternate) to the Board of Review.** Motion carried.

F: Budget Amendment-- A motion was made by Clerk Willson and seconded by Treasurer Graves to **amend building and grounds budget as suggested.** Under B & G’s, “Salaries”, add \$4,000, and under B & G’s, “Miscellaneous”, subtract \$4,000. Motion carried.

G: Alger Conservation District requests—Supervisor Howard/Second Trustee Decet to **renew \$7,000 loan with ACD.** Motion carried. Clerk Willson/Second Trustee Decet to **renew 2017 3-year contract services with ACD for \$2,000.** Motion carried.

Committee/Policy Reports:

Committee appointments to be on next month’s agenda

Public Comment: None

Building Report:

Private rentals on the 21st and 22nd.

Township Meeting on Monday the 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Quilters on Tuesday the 3rd, 17th, and 31st at 1:00 p.m.

Quilt Guild (MGQG) on Thursday the 12th at 6:00 p.m.

National Guard on Sunday the 15th at 1:00 p.m.

Wetmore Community Club on Monday the 16th at 6:30 p.m.

Alger SORVA on Tuesday the 31st at 6:30 p.m.

Treasurer’s Report:

Balance Savings (12/1/16): \$331,343.79. Receipts: \$88,434.60. Disbursements: \$24,704.19.

Balance Savings (1/1/17): 395,074.20. Balance Fire truck millage account: \$325,384.93. Balance

Road Millage Fund: \$35,355.11. Balance Recreation fund: \$14,986.48. Balance Road Improvement

Fund: \$24,642.44. Balance Road Bond Account: \$26,091.97. Balance General Fund: \$286.30.

Pay Bills:

Motion Trustee Decet/Second Supervisor Howard to **pay bills numbered 4861 through 4920.** Motion carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 6th, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Motion Clerk Willson/Second Trustee Decet that we adjourn. Motion carried. We **adjourned at 8:15 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted: Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Supervisor