

Munising Township Board Meeting Minutes
May 4th, 2015 – 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Supervisor-Dan Wilson, Clerk–Selina Balko, Treasurer-Bonnie Fulcher, Trustee-Lisa Howard, Trustee–Patty Willson, Visitors: Assistant Fire Chief-Bob Balko, Deputy Treasurer-Janet Miron, Roger Carlson, Ron Bell, Ken McPherson, Johanna Segerstrom and Johanna Bogater – Munising News.

Supervisor Wilson opened the May 4th, 2015 regular board meeting leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: Ken McPherson: There will not be a township clean up this spring. The paper mill in Manistique closed and recycle items now have to be brought to Escanaba. Recycle day is still Tuesday afternoon.

Approval of Minutes : **Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard to approve the April 6th, 2015 minutes. Motion carried. Motion Trustee Howard/Second Trustee Willson to approve the addition of G – Consider porta johns under new business. Motion carried.**

Clerk’s Correspondence: Various MTA workshops, Opportunity to read and comment on Alger Delta renewable energy plan online after May 12th.

Supervisor’s Correspondence: DTE-security shut off policy, Sault Tribe-packet on outdoor smoke free areas, Charter on new channel added – liquidation channel, CUPPAD

Requested Items: A: Fire department: New fire truck arrived and is in use.

Clerk’s Report Public accuracy test went well. Treasurer Fulcher and Supervisor Wilson were in attendance. I ordered the new Quick Books program as well as paying annual fee to use the Quick Books payroll program. Wage resolutions and general appropriations act included in board packet as well as new budget and budget update.

Supervisor’s Report: Working with Michigan DHS on a blight project. Called Hannula to get proof of insurance on new fire truck. Worked with Miller Canfield on road bonding. Still working with American Towers and AT&T on cell tower in Shingleton. Working with our lawyer Roger Zappa on Brian Sautler blight situation and delinquent person property taxes.

Unfinished Business: **A:** Consider BSA upgrade: Supervisor Wilson stated that his assessor program needs to be upgraded in order to continue using it. The upgrade cost to switch from progressive to dot.net is \$5,200.00. Cost to train on the new program is \$850 per day plus travel expenses. Hopefully some other townships can also participate and share the cost. **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Trustee Willson to approve purchase of new assessor computer program. Motion carried. B:** Consider budget amendment: **Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard to amend budget as suggested. Motion carried.** Under Cemetery, repairs and maintenance subtract \$11,000.00. Under Board of Review, miscellaneous add \$1,000.00 and under Assessing, miscellaneous add \$10,000.00.

New Business: **A.** Credit card limit change: **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Trustee Willson to approve raising the limit on the credit cards from \$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00. Motion carried.**

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B: Dust control bids: **Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard to have Supervisor Wilson order dust control through Bay Dust. Motion carried.** **C:** Fourth of July request: **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to give Fourth of July committee \$300.00. Motion carried.** **D:** Dirt/sand for ball field: **Motion Trustee Willson/Second Trustee Howard to approve purchase of dirt/sand for ball fields not to exceed \$1,000.00. Motion carried.** **E:** Purchase of trailer: **Motion Trustee Willson/Second Treasurer Fulcher for Township to purchase a 6 ½ X 10 foot trailer from D & K Trailer Sales in Christmas for \$1,700.00. Motion carried.** **F:** Resolution for bonding for road improvements: **A resolution was offered by Trustee Howard and supported by Trustee Willson to authorize limited tax general obligation bonds, series 2015. Roll call vote: Supervisor Wilson – yes, Treasurer Fulcher – yes, Clerk Balko – yes, Trustee Willson – yes, Trustee Howard – yes. All yes, no nay, none absent. Supervisor Wilson declared the resolution carried.** **G:** Porta johns: **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to order 4 porta-johns. Motion carried.**

Committee/Policy Reports: Supervisor Wilson attended a CUPPAD meeting on the proposal for sales tax increase/road issues that is on tomorrow's ballot. Trustee Howard reported that St Vincent food pantry will be moving to Central Community building

Public Comment: Sheriff Hughes stated that there will be a public hearing at 4:00 p.m. on Monday the 11th at the county building on the proposed expansion of the county jail. Johanna Segerstrom expressed her concerns over blight in the Shingleton area. There is a process to follow on blight complaints. She also has a concern about a broken sign post on the corner of M28 & M94. Supervisor Wilson to talk to ACRC

Building Report :

Twp. Meeting on Monday the 4th, at 7:00 p.m.
WEquilTMORE on Tuesdays the 12th & 19th, at 1:00 p.m.
Quilt Guild on Thursday the 14th at 6:00 p.m.
MBQG all day on Thursday the 14th & Friday the 15th
Private rental on the 24th and 30th
Wilson thanked Balko for her report.

Treasurer's Report: Balance Savings: \$337,902.65. Receipts: \$7,417.92. Disbursement: \$22,939.13. Balance Fire truck millage fund: \$523,942.44. Balance Recreation fund: \$14,930.25. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$130,571.79. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$27,323.55. Balance General Fund: \$970.88. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

Pay Bills: **Motion Trustee Willson/Second Trustee Howard to pay bills numbered 3351 through 3417. Motion carried.**

Next Meeting: Monday, June 1st, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment: **Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard that we be adjourned.**

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Motion carried. We are adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Selina Balko, Clerk

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Dan Wilson, Supervisor