

Munising Township Board Meeting Minutes
August 3rd, 2015 – 7:00 – 8:15 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, Roger Carlson, Ron Bell, Janet Miron, Patti Elvetici, Joanna Segerstrom, Lyle Steede, Janis Parks, William Parks, Deb Carlson, Russ Carlson, Mary Jo Tyner, Charles Starzyk, Cindy Tonak, Terry Bower, Willie Platt, Penny Rowley, David Tyner and Johanna Bogater – Munising News.

Supervisor Wilson opened the August 3rd, 2015 regular board meeting leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes : Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Willson to approve the July 6th, 2015 minutes. Motion carried.

Clerk’s Correspondence: MTA – new membership sticker for our plaque, thank you from food pantry, QuickBooks ad to order W2s for next year.

Supervisor’s Correspondence: DTE, Mark Daneman rep from A T & T – has site plan for putting equipment on the cell tower in 2016, CUPPAD, Bayshore Park is now Binsfeld Bayshore Park, Anderson Tackman.

Requested Items: A: Fire Department: Thermal Imaging Camera was ordered.

Clerk’s Report Audit went well, the auditors were only here for three days, did not receive the draft yet. I set up new road bond account on QuickBooks – auditors said I did it correctly. Worked with Mark to learn how to transfer audio from the recorder to the computer to a CD.

Supervisor’s Report: Audit went well. Worked with the attorney on blight issues. Janet Miron sat in on BOR as a member due to shortage of people. Software for assessing program was installed. Training to come at a later date. AMAR assessor review was done, Donnie Willson and Dan Wilson attendee the review. We will need to update and adopt an assessing ordinance. Will have more information at a later time. Trail cam was purchased and installed. Still checking on costs to resurface the ball courts.

Unfinished Business: A: Blight complaints: Four citations have been issued on blight issues. Follow up on all four will be continued. Public comment on blight: David Tyner: Why does he have to get rid of a licensed snowmobile? If it is licensed it does not need to be gotten rid of. The goal of the township is not to make everyone have a spic & span yard, but the safety, health and welfare of township citizens. Should it be a requirement that the blight officer be a township resident? It is not a requirement. Lisa Howard-board trustee: With all of the clean-up we as the township need to look at our areas. The Shingleton dugouts need to be repainted, bleachers need to be repaired and the playground needs sprucing up. Terry Bower: Is it considered harassment for the blight enforcement officer to ask for vehicles to be moved- conflict of interest to offer lawn service? Supervisor Wilson felt the lawn service was mentioned as a joke. Penny Rowley: Cannot reach Ron Bell- does not return calls. Supervisor Wilson asked that they meet after the

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Township meeting. The court said that Penny and Ron need to work together to comply with the citation. Lyle Steede: If we had a good recycle program it would be a great help to get things cleaned up. We have one program available but they only take paper. Lisa stated metal can also be disposed of with Knaus in the Industrial Park. Supervisor Wilson said questions can be directed to Chris Case. Patti Elvitici: Who monitors vacant properties? Ron is working on this. Terry Bower: Was cited for a collapsed roof on his garage, he does not see how this is a hazard. Joanna Segerstrom: Is there a timeframe for blight cleanups? Supervisor Wilson stated that is will always be an ongoing project. For the most part he is happy with the cleanup that is going on. Five more blight areas were reviewed by the township board. **Motion trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to move forward with five new blight areas. Motion carried. B: Hall maintenance: Motion Supervisor Wilson/Second Treasurer Fulcher to purchase 10 folding tables at \$299.00 each. Motion carried. Motion Trustee Howard/Second Trustee Willson to purchase 20 black vinyl stacking chairs and two chair carts for \$2,030.00. Motion carried.**

New Business: **A:** Consider Cindy Tonak request: Would like to organize an event at the McQuisten Recreation area for the end of next summer both to get township residents together and as a fundraiser for projects in the township. Supervisor Wilson stated we as a township cannot do a fundraiser. Cindy said it could be similar to activities at Bayshore Park on a smaller scale, including food, craft vendors and possible kid's activities such as ball tournaments. Trustee Howard likes idea but doesn't think it has to be a fundraiser. There can be no alcohol beverages in the park. Insurance agent would have to be contacted on holding a one day event. Consensus of the board is for Clerk Balko and Cindy Tonak to work together and come back to the board with updates. **B:** Consider action on ICS: Supervisor Wilson is working with our attorney. We cannot have someone come in and crush the cars that are there but we can have someone come in **and move the blighted vehicles back behind the fence. We pay the cost up front and then can add** that fee to the real property taxes for ICS. Trustee Howard suggested making sure to take pictures to document the progress. Mr. Salter accepted a certified letter from Treasurer Fulcher updating what he owes for personal property and a letter from Supervisor Wilson stating the Township's intentions. **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to move forward with action against ICS. Motion carried. C:** Consider changes to township website: Our website was developed quite some time back and needs to be updated in order for people to be able access it from all types of devices. (IPads, cell phones, etc) Since all of the new FOIA information needs to be entered onto the website now is a good time to make changes. This project will involve several extra hours per month for the next few months in addition to the monthly fee for website maintenance. Trustee Howard would also like to see our ordinances and policies on the website. Mark also needs to check if upgrading to Windows 10 will be compatible with QVF, QuickBooks, and Assessor programs. Virus protection needs to be upgraded on all three computers. Trustees Willson and Howard suggested webroot instead of Norton antivirus program. **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Trustee Willson to approve moving forward with website changes. Motion carried.**

Committee/Policy Reports: Headstart will be moving to Central Community Building by August 12th. DHS may be moving in also. GAD has not gotten back to the Supervisor on costs for garbage pickup in the township.

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Public Comment: None

Building Report :

Tw. Meeting on Monday the 3rd, at 7:00 p.m.
WEQUILTMORE on Tuesdays the 4th and 18th, at 1:00 p.m.
Quilt Guild on Thursday the 13th at 6:00 p.m.
Animal shelter on Tuesday the 18th at 6:00
Private rentals on the 1st and 29th
State Forest Land Thursday the 13th through Sunday the 16th
MBQG all day Saturday the 22nd all day.
Pavilion usage has been much higher this summer
Wilson thanked Balko for her report.

Treasurer's Report: Balance Savings: \$281,298.57. Receipts: \$38,039.66. Disbursements: \$29,406.06 and \$142.46. Balance Fire truck millage fund: \$243,519.26. Balance Recreation fund: \$14,939.56. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$136,027.73. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$23,971.71. Balance General Fund: \$867.91. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

Pay Bills: Motion Trustee Howard/Second Trustee Willson to pay bills numbered 3600 through 3654. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Due to Labor Day the next township meeting would not fall until September 8th. This would cause problems with bill due dates. Should we meeting on Tuesday the 1st instead? Motion Trustee Willson/Second Treasurer Fulcher that our next meeting be held on Tuesday, September 1st at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard that we be adjourned. Motion carried. We are adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Selina Balko, Clerk

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Dan Wilson, Supervisor

