

Munising Township Board Meeting Minutes
November 2nd, 2015 – 7:00 – 7:55 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Supervisor-Dan Wilson, Treasurer- Bonnie Fulcher, Trustee-Lisa Howard. Members absent: Trustee Patty Willson and Clerk Selina Balko. Visitors present: Roger Carlson, Charles Starzyk, Tom Kusmirek, Robert Raymond, Ron Bell, Gerald Reese, Karen Toledo, Richard Toledo, Terry Bower, Sherri Viamontes, Matt Viamontes, Barry Hoover, Betty Kinnunen, Don Kinnunen, Patti Elvetici and Toni Mann-Munising News.

Supervisor Wilson opened the November 2nd, 2015 regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes : Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to approve the minutes of the October 5th, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

Clerk's Correspondence: MTA workshop folder, State building code changes, 10 year American Transmission report.

Supervisor's Correspondence: UPPCO- seeking rate increase; American Towers-red light still not on tower in Shingleton; DEQ-Bridge repair on Star Creek; Dept. of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs: survey regarding franchise entities-we took the survey; CUPPAD-scheduling a rural task force meeting;

Requested Items: **A:** Fire Department: Not present. **B:**Hiawathaland Trail Association: Jerry Reese is a co-chair of the association. He spoke on the Trail Association and what they do. They manage snowmobile/ORV trails in the U. P. The current snowmobile grant sponsor is Munising Area Visitors Bureau. Hiawathaland Trail Association has been authorized to manage the grant and to do all trail management. Due to trail 419 being closed an alternative temporary "spur" needs to be developed. Suggested spur is Prospect Street. Supervisor Wilson stated that the Township does not have any control over streets or highway right of way. The road commission is in control of this. The Township will support whatever the ACRC approves. **C:** Request from Karen Toledo-resolution about pipeline under Mackinac Straits: Karen gave a printout on the pipeline. Because of not being fully informed and not having a full board present a **Motion was made by Trustee Howard and seconded by Treasurer Fulcher to table this until December. Motion carried.**

Clerk's Report Reimbursement money came from the State for the May election. American Transparencies withdrew their FOIA request after they were informed that we would not waive the fees. Wrote a mid-month check to cover half the cost for the new carpeting and it has been ordered.

Supervisor's Report: Called American Towers about light out on cell tower in Shingleton. Sent a report to CUPPAD. Set a date of November 13th with conservation district to walk the 40 acres by timber products. Signed contract with conservation district. Attended land management and land divisions classes. Completed a state fire department questionnaire . Contacted UPPCO about a streetlight being out, it has been fixed.

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Unfinished Business: **A:** Disposing of old tables and chairs: Ron said they could use one more table in Shingleton. **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to dispose of unwanted tables and chairs. Motion carried.**

New Business: **A:** Friends of Valley Spur request: Same letter received as we had from them last year. We requested more info last year and never received a reply. **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher for Supervisor Wilson to request more information. Motion carried.** **C:** Budget Amendment: Some amendments need to be made to cover the cost of new tables and chairs, carpeting and painting as well a road bond payment. **A resolution was offered by Treasurer Fulcher and supported by Trustee Howard to take \$15,000.00 from Parks & Rec- recreation improvements - add \$8,000.00 to Building & Grounds-supplies and \$7,000.00 to Building & Grounds-repairs & maintenance and also to move \$10,000.00 from savings to general fund to cover road bond payment. Roll call vote: Supervisor Wilson-yes, Treasurer Fulcher-yes, Clerk Balko-absent, Trustee Willson-absent, Trustee Howard-yes. Three yes, no nays, two absent. Supervisor Wilson declared the resolution passed.** **D:** Consider resolution for Burnham & Flower insurance group: In order to comply with our group retirement plan requirements a bi-annual resolution needs to be adopted. **A resolution was offered by Trustee Howard and supported by Treasurer Fulcher that the Plan be amended and restated in the form attached hereto, which Plan is hereby adopted and approved; further resolved that the authorized signor of the Municipality by, and is hereby, authorized and directed to execute the Plan on behalf of the Municipality. Roll call vote: Trustee Howard-yes, Clerk Balko-absent, Supervisor Wilson-yes, Trustee Willson-absent, Treasurer Fulcher-yes. All yes, no nay, two absent. Supervisor Wilson declared the resolution passed.** **D:** New computer and printer for the fire department: **Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to allow the fire chief to purchase a laptop and printer for the fire department not to exceed \$1,400.00. Motion carried.** **E:** Consider Veteran's Day as holiday: **Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard that the office be closed on November 11th, Veteran's Day. Motion carried.**

Committee/Policy Reports: Supervisor Wilson attended a land management and land division class. The assessor is the land division officer. Trustee Howard reported that things at Alger Parks & Rec are going well, five churches grouped together to hold a Halloween Harvest Day. It was very well attended.

Public Comment: Matthew Viamontes suggested that on Veteran's Day for people to put a green light in their outside light and turn it on to support Veteran's. Patti Elvetici turned in a couple of sheets of blight pictures. Supervisor Wilson stated that he would save them until December when there will be a full board.

Building Report :

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

WEquilTMORE on Tuesdays the 3rd and 17th, at 1:00 p.m.

Hiawathaland Trails Assoc on Tuesday the 3rd and Wednesday the 4th at 6:30

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

Animal shelter on Tuesday the 17th at 6:00

Private rentals on the 14th and 21st

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WCC on Monday the 16th at 6:30

Wilson thanked Miron for the building report.

Treasurer's Report: Balance Savings: \$279,377.00. Receipts: \$23,412.81. Disbursements: \$26,596.74, \$4,266.50, \$208.75. Balance Fire truck millage fund: \$228,561.54. Balance Recreation fund: \$14,948.97. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$104,809.68. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$23,986.15. Balance Road Bond Fund: \$26,053.60. Balance General Fund: \$868.50. Wilson thanked Fulcher for her report.

Pay Bills: Motion Trustee Howard/Second Treasurer Fulcher to pay bills numbered 3777 through 3831. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: December 7th, 2015 at Munising Township office complex.

Adjournment: Motion Treasurer Fulcher/Second Trustee Howard that we be adjourned. Motion carried. We are adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Selina Balko, Clerk

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Dan Wilson, Supervisor