

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
November 4th, 2019 7:00 p.m. – 8:22 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Supervisor—Lisa Howard, Clerk—Patty Willson, Treasurer—Nicole Graves, Trustee—Carmon Decet, and Trustee—Selina Balko. Board Members Absent: None. Also, present: Assessor Susan Bovan, Janet Miron, Bob Balko, Roger Carlson, and Brice Burge (Munising News).

Supervisor Howard opened our November 4th, 2019 meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved Decet/seconded Balko to **approve minutes of October 7th, 2019 Township Board regular meeting.** Carried.

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received a brochure from MTA regarding courses being offered this month in Frankenmuth. Received notice that my notary expires in January. Received 3rd quarter reports from John Hancock. Received The Par Plan News September issue, which lists Munising Township as a grant recipient!

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Received a thank you for plant sent to June Nettleton's funeral. Received notice from Charter that effective November 12th, new customers will see an increase of \$5.00 to Silver and Gold packages. Received a Summary of CUPPAD staff activities for their fiscal year October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019. Received a request for support from Friends of Valley Spur. Received notice from Michigan DNR to comment by December 1st about possible state forest roads recommended for closure for 2020. There are none recommended for Munising Township.

Requested Items:

- A. Zoning Administrator: Report provided.
- B. Assessor: Present and report provided. BOR to meet December 10th to address clerical errors.

Clerk's Report:

Received a budget estimate from Cross General Contracting. This estimate is extremely rough but gives us three options to choose from. Once we decide on an option, Cross or one of their sub-contractors will work on getting us a more detailed bid. The minutes from the Planning Commissions October 16th meeting are in your packets. The porta johns have been removed from Wetmore Park for the winter. Munising Township offices will be closed November 11th in observance of Veterans Day and November 28th in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The election commission passed a resolution to permanently consolidate the townships two precincts into a single election precinct.

Supervisor's Report:

Attended one Planning Commission, two APRD and one SORVA meeting last month. Township Clean-Up Day resulted in three 40-yard roll-offs in Shingleton, approximately 95 vehicles, and 114 tires at the landfill. Completed a Michigan Public Service Commission survey about cable company competition and conflict resolution in our municipality. The next Regional Government meeting is November 13th at 5:00 p.m. and hosted by Rock River Township.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Boardwalk Damage: Board discussed problems with beavers blocking small culvert on West end of ponds. Some local trappers are helping by focusing on this area.
- B. Hall Façade Repairs: Received budget numbers from Cross General Contracting. Board discussed the options provided. Board consensus to move forward with the more affordable option of replacing masonry block with steel similar that on the East side of the building. Bid request to go in newspaper.
- C. Marihuana Ordinance: A resolution was offered by Decet/supported by Balko to **adopt the Commercial Marihuana Establishment Ordinance pending attorney recommendations, also establishing a nonrefundable permit application fee of \$1,500, and a nonrefundable annual permit fee of \$750. Roll call vote: Howard-yes, Balko-yes, Decet-yes, Willson-yes, and Graves-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- D. Request for Support from Chamber/GMBPCD: Moved Decet/seconded Graves to **appropriate \$4,000 to the Alger County Chamber of Commerce.** Carried.

New Business:

- A. Blight Complaint Procedure: Board discussed possible changes to current procedure.
- B. Request for Support from Friends of Valley Spur: Moved Willson/seconded Graves to **appropriate \$250 (Bronze Ski Trail Sponsor) to the Friends of Valley Spur**. Carried.
- C. Shingleton/Wetmore ORV and Snowmobile Routes Public Hearing: Board discussed concerns with some of the mapped routes provided. Public hearing scheduled tentatively for December 5th, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m., and representative(s) from the township requested.

Committee/Policy Reports:

Planning Commission's draft Zoning Ordinance is complete, and a public hearing is scheduled for December 11th.

Fire Department: None.

Public Comment:

Moved Howard/seconded Decet to **close Munising Township offices Friday, November 29th**. Carried.

Building Report:

- 1 Private
- 2 Private
- 4 Election Commission Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- 4 Township Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 11 CLOSED – Veterans Day
- 14 Munising Bay Quilt Guild 5:00 p.m.
- 18 Wetmore Community Club 6:30 p.m.
- 28 CLOSED – Thanksgiving Day
- 29 CLOSED

Treasurer's Report:

Balance Savings (10/1/19): \$368,238.68. Receipts: \$11,181.22. Disbursements: \$44,549.39. Balance Savings (10/31/19) \$334,870.51. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$516,369.35. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$3,517.58. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$12,881.44. Balance Road Bond Account: \$20,003.91. Balance General Fund: \$569.89.

Pay Bills:

Moved Decet/seconded Balko, to **pay bills with checks numbered 6214 through 6290**. Carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for December 2nd, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Moved Willson/seconded Graves, to **adjourn**. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor