

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2020 7:00 p.m. – 9:15 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, Fire Chief Harold Anderson, Deb Carlson, Sheriff Todd Brock, Undersheriff Steve Blank, Deputy Perry King and K9 Handler of "Alger", Quest Tidd, Allen Miron, Anthony Autore, and Brice Burge from the Munising News.

Supervisor Howard opened our February 3, 2020 meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved Balko/seconded Decet to **approve minutes of January 6, 2020 Township Board regular meeting.** Carried.

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received quarterly pension reports and statements from John Hancock. Received training material from MI Association of Planning, all in lower Michigan during the month of March. Received approval notice from EGLE (Dept of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy) regarding Tri-County Septic and Son's renewal application for license to remove and transport septage waste.

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Received a CD from the Census Bureau to review and confirm our Township boundaries. Received a request for support from the Senior All Night Party Committee. Received Notice from DTE Gas Company of a pre-hearing on February 26, at 10 a.m. in Lansing requesting approval of a Gas Cost Recovery Plan from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021. Alger Delta Cooperative is collecting contact information and locations so they can direct members to correct personnel during major storm events. Need to know Emergency Manager and Warming Shelter locations.

Requested Items:

- A. Sheriff Department: Deputy Perry King introduced K-9 Officer "Alger", the newest member of the Sheriff's Office. Alger will be on road patrol and training on drug identification and search and rescue. Sheriff Todd Brock provided a handout and thoroughly explained the Ambulance Millage request.
- B. Zoning Administrator: Present and submitted report.
- C. Assessor: Present and provided update.

Clerk's Report:

Selina and I are busy processing Absentee Voter ballot application requests. Currently, there are 95 voters on the Permanent AV List that automatically received an AV ballot application. I expect that number to rise since there is no longer an age requirement to vote absentee. The Election Commission meeting was held and election workers are set for March 10, 2020 election. Selina and I attend training this week and training next week on the electronic pollbook. Public Accuracy testing is scheduled for March 3rd at 9:30 a.m. The minutes from the Planning Commissions January 22nd meeting is in your packets and well as the Zoning Administrators January report.

Supervisor's Report:

Attended December Board of Review training. Our Marihuana Commercial Establishment Ordinance has been sent to the State LARA department. The Par Plan Grant final paperwork for WiFi and Security Cameras at the McQuisten Park has been submitted. The Draft Zoning Ordinance that was mailed to the Park Service on December 17th was returned to us on January 28th with a sticker "Return to Sender – Unclaimed". I hand-delivered it to the Sand Point office on January 29th. We will have to wait another 30 days so they have a chance to review it. Next Regional Government meeting is on February 26th, 5 p.m. at AuTrain Township Hall.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Boardwalk Damage: Funds should be released in June and we need three bids.
- B. Township Power Outages: No updates at this time.
- C. Mutual Aid Agreement with Park Service for Fire Suppression Services: Fire Chief explained that we are not equipped to handle/aid in wild-land firefighting and it's too much of a liability.
- D. Request for Support from UPSET: Tabled to collect more information.
- E. Rental Fees: Moved Balko/seconded Willson to **raise hall rental fees to \$75 for up to 4 hours and \$125 for a full day.** Carried.

New Business:

- A. Hall Façade Repairs: Tabled due to no bids received
- B. Income Guidelines for Poverty Exemptions: A resolution was offered by Decet and supported by Balko to **adopt the Poverty Exemption Guidelines for 2020, plus 25%. Roll Call vote: Graves-yes, Howard-yes, Willson-yes, Balko-yes, and Decet-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- C. Board of Review Agreement: Moved Balko/seconded Graves in **support of the agreement with revisions discussed to have a joint board of review with Grand Island Township.** Carried.
- D. Wage Resolution for FY 2020/21: A resolution was offered by Howard and supported by Balko to **increase Treasurer salary to \$1,518 per month. Roll call vote: Willson-yes, Decet-yes, Graves-yes, Howard-yes, and Balko-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed. A resolution was offered by Howard and supported by Balko to **increase Clerk salary to \$1,518 per month. Roll call vote: Balko-yes, Willson-yes, Howard-yes, Graves-yes, and Decet-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed. A resolution was offered by Balko and supported by Willson to **increase Supervisor salary to \$1,518 per month. Roll call vote: Decet-yes, Graves-yes, Balko-yes, Willson-yes, and Howard-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed. A resolution was offered by Howard and supported by Graves to **increase Trustee salary to \$550 per month. Roll call vote: Howard-yes, Balko-yes, Decet-yes, Willson-yes, and Graves-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- E. Request Support from Senior All Night Committee: Moved Decet/seconded Willson to **appropriate \$300 to Senior All Night Committee.** Carried.

Committee/Policy Reports: None.

Fire Department: None.

Public Comment:

Comment was received by several persons. Is property located on Mill Street (Iverson's) in Shingleton zoned Industrial? Supervisor Howard explained that the property was changed to Town Development in 2005. How can property be changed back to Industrial. Howard explained that there are steps to changing zoning and mentioned that we are in the final stages of our Zoning Ordinance update. Would property fall under spot-zoning? Zoning Administrator Tietjen showed on the zoning map that the entire area was re-zoned, not just that parcel. There was a claim made during public comment that DEQ deemed property a Brownfield site.

Building Report:

- 3 Township Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Munising Bay Quilt Guild 5:00 p.m.
- 17 CLOSED – Presidents Day
- 17 Wetmore Community Club 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Private Rental
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- 27 Munising Bay Quilt Guild 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance Savings (1/1/20): \$331,890.60. Receipts: \$159,698.23. Disbursements: \$25,641.19. Balance Savings (01/31/20): \$465,947.64. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$578,859.58. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$92,261.87. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$22,583.74. Balance Road Bond Account: \$20,008.95. Balance General Fund: \$651.47.

Pay Bills:

Moved Decet/seconded Balko, to **pay bills with checks numbered 6429 through 6499**. Carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Moved Decet/seconded Graves, to **adjourn**. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor