

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 3, 2020 7:00 p.m. – 7:48 p.m.

Roll Call:

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

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

Public Comment:

Catherin Pullen mentioned the need for dust control on Chapel Road and that the ACRC plan to proceed with it, but would like Munising Township to contribute.

Approval of Minutes:

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

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received pricing material from Cooper Office Equipment, a copy of the road bond documents from Miller Canfield, the 2020 Tax Rate Request from (L-4029) pertaining to Marquette-Alger RESA, and a request from Accident Fund requesting wage records regarding a workers' compensation claim

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Received notice that Alger County Treasurer has foreclosed on 3 parcels in Munising Township, two in Shingleton and one in Wetmore. Received notice of bankruptcy litigation for Purdue Pharma. Received notice that our UPPCO meter will be replaced soon. Received three notices from Charter Communications of a new Black News Channel; a new BYUtv channel; and the Broadcast TV Surcharge will increase by \$2.95 and each package will increase by \$1.50. Received Notice of Public Hearing from DTE Gas for August 19 at 9:30 a.m. for approval for reconciliation of its gas recovery plan from April 2019 through March 2020 and a hearing on August 20 at 9:00 a.m. for approval of the reconciliation of DTE Gas's Energy Waste Reduction plan for 2019 and authority to implement EWR surcharges and other related relief.

Requested Items:

- A. Zoning Administrator: n/a
- B. Assessor: Present and provided update. Received 15 appeals for Munising Township and 1 appeal from Grand Island Township during the Board of Review. Letters sent to property owners. Receiving filled out questionnaires.

Clerk's Report:

Attended clerks training and election training in July. Public accuracy testing of the voting equipment went well. Election Day is tomorrow (August 4th). AV Ballots issued this election is 324 with 74% returned so far. Received the draft financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2020. Nothing stood out that needed correction. Auditors looking for our approval of the financial statements. The office remains closed.

Supervisor's Report:

Handled noise complaint issue on H15, viewed all blight complaints and all are an improvement, confronted some young people doing donuts in the McQuisten Park parking lot at close to midnight, and attended a ACRC meeting where residents were having issues with Chapel Road condition. New cabinets, counter and shelves were purchased for the pavilion and Roger installed. The estimate to repair the damaged underground wires to two outlets and scoreboard is \$400 from Milloy Electric. I told him to proceed with repairs. Also applied more weed killer on playground and edge of volleyball court.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Boardwalk Damage: A resolution was offered by Balko/seconded by Graves **to accept the terms of the agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Roll call vote: Graves-yes, Howard-yes, Willson-yes, Balko-yes, and Decet-yes. 5 yes 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- B. Implications of Covid-19 Pandemic: Board consensus that the office remains closed until further notice.

New Business:

- A. Fall Clean-Up Day: Board consensus that clean-up be held on October 10.
- B. Recycle Trailer: Moved Willson/seconded Balko that we have Chris Case, of the Recycle Committee, **sell our trailer and donate the funds to the recycle committee.** Carried.
- C. Request from County for Mowing Hanley Field (up to \$800): Board discussed and will review contract regarding termination.
- D. Fire Department Washer Extractor Purchase: Moved Balko/seconded Graves to **approve up to \$7,000 to purchase a washer extractor for the Fire Department.** Carried.

Committee/Policy Reports: None.

Fire Department: None.

Public Comment: None.

Building Report:

- 3 Township Meeting 7:00 p.m. (via telephone conference)
- 4 ELECTION DAY

The pavilion is reserved the 9, 12, and 20.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance Savings (7/1/20): \$421,326.74. Receipts: \$44,260.80. Disbursements: \$40,555.41. Balance Savings (07/31/20): \$425,032.13. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$635,458.96. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$164,688.70. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$9,280.86. Balance Road Bond Account: \$711,543.87. Balance General Fund: \$182.90.

Pay Bills:

Moved Balko/seconded Decet, to **pay bills with checks numbered 6808 through 6869.** Carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Moved Willson/seconded Graves, to **adjourn.** Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor