

**Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes**  
**December 7, 2020 7:00 p.m. – 8:08 p.m.**  
*(Meeting via telephone conference.)*

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**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, Janet Miron, Bob Balko, Scott Lakosky, Sara Lakosky, and Bill LeVeque.

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

**Public Comment:** None.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Moved Decet/seconded Graves to **approve minutes of November 2, 2020 Township Board regular meeting.** Carried.

**Clerk's Correspondence:**

Received a Happy Thanksgiving card from A. Rifkin Co., a quarterly newsletter from Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks, and the November newsletter from Fahey. Also, Fahey is holding a free virtual Township Officials Workshop this Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. This workshop is for newly elected and returning Township Officials. Registration information is included in your packets.

**Supervisor's Correspondence:**

Received a Season's Greetings and Thank you from Munising News. Received a letter from Tim Brazy, of Landmark Dividend, offering to buy our cell tower lease.

**Requested Items:**

- A. Zoning Administrator: None.
- B. Assessor: Present and provided update.

**Clerk's Report:**

We had a 73% voter turnout for the November election and 44% of those voters voted AV ballot. Election Day went well. We "almost" ran out of ballots! Our fire millage is up for renewal and it sounds like we will be having an election in 2021, hopefully in the Spring. The minutes from the Planning Commissions November 11<sup>th</sup> meeting is in your packet. The office remains closed at this time.

**Supervisor's Report:**

Four young people tried to rake out the ruts in the park parking lot but they waited until it was frozen. Would like to see us consolidate signs at the park. They are scattered everywhere. Would like to purchase 10 padlocks all keyed the same so we have one standard lock. The receptionist printer does not work. There is a recycling meeting tomorrow, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A. Boardwalk Damage/Grant: None.
- B. Implications of Covid-19 Pandemic: Board consensus that the office remains closed.
- C. Noise Ordinance: Board discussed the ordinance in great detail and will consult with attorney.
- D. Generator: Still researching options/code requirements.
- E. Recycling: The Alger Community Recycling Committee meeting is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup>. The recycling committee says the landfill began accepting recyclables December 1<sup>st</sup> and the City plans to offer curbside collection on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The committees goal is to offer several collection sites throughout the county with scheduled drop off times at lockable dumpsters.

**New Business:**

- A. City of Munising Utility Franchise Agreement for Industrial Park: Board consensus to extend the agreement annually with an automatic renewal if both parties are satisfied.
- B. Replace Copier: Board discussed options and will look into further.
- C. Request for Support from Alger Regional Community Foundation: Board consensus to take no action.
- D. Request for Support from Friends of Valley Spur: Moved Howard/seconded Willson to **appropriate \$250 to Friends of Valley Spur.** Carried.
- E. New Fire Truck Specs: Board discussed Fire Chief's letter of explanation for the next fire truck

purchase. A couple new features include compressed air foam and galvanized dipped frame rails.

**Committee/Policy Reports:** None.

**Fire Department:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Building Report:**

7 Township Board 7:00 p.m. (via telephone conference)  
9 Planning Commission 6:30 p.m. (via telephone conference)  
15 Board of Review 9:00 a.m. (via telephone conference)

**Treasurer's Report:**

The winter tax bills went out on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Balance Savings (11/1/20): \$414,516.90. Receipts: \$51,662.76. Disbursements: \$29,774.02. Balance Savings (11/30/20): \$436,405.64. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$620,942.87. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$13,469.41. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$19,413.25. Balance Road Bond Account: \$1,040.97. Balance General Fund: \$218.62.

**Pay Bills:**

Moved Balko/seconded Decet, to **pay bills with checks numbered 7080 through 7173**. Carried.

**Next Meeting:**

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

**Adjournment:**

Moved Graves/seconded Decet, to **adjourn**. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor