

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
July 5, 2021 7:00 p.m. – 8:05 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, Fire Chief Harold Anderson, Janet Miron, Bob Balko, Roger Carlson, Terry Bower, and Brice Burge of Roam Media.

Supervisor Howard opened our July 5, 2021 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 June 7, 2021 Township Board regular meeting.** Carried.

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received our annual pension plan review from Burnham & Flower. Received a letter from UPSET thanking us for our support. Received the July Tax & Business Alert from Anderson, Tackman & Company.

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Received request for support from Munising Bay Trail Network. Received Notice of Hearing from DTE Gas Company requesting approval from Michigan Public Service Commission of the Reconciliation of its Energy Waste Reduction Plan Expenses for the Plan Year 2020 on Tuesday, July 20 at 9:00 am via video/teleconferencing. Received a letter from Rath Towers, LLC interested in buying our cell tower lease. Received a letter from UPPCO that they have contracted with Karcz Utility Services to complete an inspection of their equipment (poles, wires, guys, underground facilities and substation equipment). On occasion, access to their equipment is hampered by fences, trellises, shrubs or trees or hardscape materials and may need to be moved or removed. Received a note from a concerned property owner on Powell Lake that since the road was paved the speed of vehicles and ATVs have increased, creating an unsafe condition. They are requesting speed and curve signs. They also contacted the Road Commission.

Requested Items:

- A. Zoning Administrator: Not present.
- B. Assessor: Present and provided update. Board of Review on 7/20 at 9:00 a.m.

Clerk's Report:

Completed workers compensation (Accident Fund) audit. Township auditors were here beginning of June and that went well. Michigan Election Bureau was here a couple weeks performing an audit of our May 4th election and we passed. :) Selina and I attending a clerk's training that day as well. The minutes from the Planning Commission's June 16 meeting are included in your packets. The office opens tomorrow!

Supervisor's Report:

One blighted property cleaned up a lot, two more show small signs of improvement. Attended an MDOT meeting about the M-28 work between the Anna Bridge in Munising to The Schoolcraft line next year. There are putting in a turning lane through Wetmore.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Boardwalk Damage/Grant: Paperwork is signed and work will begin soon.
- B. Implications of Covid-19 Pandemic: Moved Graves/seconded Decet to **adopt Covid-19 Preparedness & Response.** Carried.
- C. Generator: Waiting for a third bid. Board tabled.
- D. Recycling: Kiwanis offering collection for \$3.00 per bag on Mondays from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Woodlands accepts recycling for \$3.00 per load.
- E. Office Furnace/AC: No new A/C unit needed; unit was installed in 2013. Moved Decet/seconded Balko to **purchase furnace through Paul's Plumbing for \$3,875.** Carried.
- F. Shed for Mower/Maintenance Equipment/Parts: Board decided to utilize rear of pavilion rather than build a shed.

G. American Rescue Plan Funds: Could receive as much as \$303,015. Waiting on guidelines continuously.

New Business:

- A. Shingleton Property Use: One person showing interest in Shingleton Hall opening year-around as a rental for church, youth group, funerals, etc. Board asked for a proposal and tabled.
- B. Recreation Committee Appointment: Moved Howard/seconded Decet to **appoint Savana Lare and Michele Hach to the Recreation Committee**. Carried.
- C. Support for Munising Bay Trail Network: Moved Willson/supported Graves we **appropriate \$250 to the Munising Bay Trail Network**. Carried.
- D. Munising Post Office: Moved Balko/seconded Willson to **allow the Post Office, in the event of an emergency, to use Munising Township Hall as a temporary sort/pickup location**. Carried.

Committee/Policy Reports:

The Recreation Committee met for the first time and will come back with ideas on 7/14. The Planning Commission had three public hearing last month.

Fire Department:

Present. Fire Chief Harold Anderson participated in the mock boat shooting. Fire Department had two trucks in the parade. Pickup truck is ordered! Trip to Appleton is scheduled for 7/27 to finalize bid specifications. Hosting fire Fighter Association meeting on 8/16. Sam MacArthur to attend fire department training.

Public Comment: None.

Building Report:

5 Township Board 7:00 p.m.
20 Board of Revises 9:00 a.m.

The pavilion is reserved July 3rd and 8th.

Treasurer's Report:Balance Savings (06/01/21): \$450,314.20. Receipts: \$15,665.70. Disbursements: \$31,762.64. Balance Savings (06/30/21): \$434,217.26. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$86,596.68. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$178,851.48. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$8,973.77. Balance Road Bond Account: \$1,041.58. Balance General Fund: \$270.82.

Pay Bills:

Moved Balko/seconded Decet, to **pay bills with checks numbered 7573 through 7647**. Carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Moved Decet/seconded Willson, to **adjourn**. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor