

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 2, 2023 7:00 p.m. – 8:50 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Supervisor Lisa Howard, Clerk Patty Willson, Treasurer Carmon Decet, Trustee Selina Balko, and Trustee Jolene Hetherington. Board Members Absent: None. Also present: Janet Miron, Assessor Susan Bovan, Zoning Administrator Kathleen Lindquist, Bob Balko, Barry Hoover, and Fire Chief Harold Anderson.

Supervisor Howard opened our January 2, 2023, meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes:

Moved Hetherington/seconded Decet to **approve minutes of December 5, 2022 Township Board regular meeting.** Motion carried.

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received training opportunities from MTA, the Board of Review Training will take place in Harris on February 8. Received quarterly newsletter from MAMC (MI Assoc of Municipal Clerks).

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Received a letter of introduction from Cleaning UP 906, a local cleaning business. Received Christmas cards from Fahmer Asphalt Sealers and Greater Munising Bay Partnership, Chamber of Commerce and Munising DDA. Received flyer from MTA for Board of Review training. Received Notice from Charter Communication that Azteca America Network will be discontinued, they will launch Chime TV on channel 482, and all 4 EPIX networks will rebrand to MGM+. Also, effective January 17, all their plans and equipment will increase in cost.

Requested Items:

- A. Zoning Administrator: Present and provided a written report.
- B. Assessor: Present and provided update. Submitted notice of retirement letter beginning July 1,2023.

Clerk's Report:

Since I was not here last month and did not provide a report, I would like to mention that we had a 59% voter turnout for the November election. I would like to thank Munising Township Board members for the card, gift, and good vibes last month... all very much appreciated. I attended Fahey's webinar "Election-Related FOIA Requests". The minutes from the Planning Commission's December 14 meeting are included in your packets. The IRS mileage reimbursement rate for 2023 is 65.5 cents per mile, up 3 cents from last year.

Supervisor's Report:

Attended Board of Review and Planning Commission meetings. Completed the Michigan State Police 2023 Asset Forfeiture Report. Submitted application for the Spark Grant on December 16.

Unfinished Business:

- A. American Rescue Plan Funds: Board discussed and decided that additional funds to upgrade the power system at the fairgrounds (Rock River Township) is no longer needed. The daycare project at APRD is still on our list.
- B. Cemetery Property Logging: No action and will revisit in the spring.

New Business:

- A. Wage Resolution: **A resolution was offered by Howard/supported by Balko to leave wages for fiscal year 2023-2024 the same. Roll call vote: Willson-yes, Decet-yes, Hetherington-yes, Howard-yes, and Balko-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- B. Purchasing Office Chairs: Motion Hetherington/seconded Willson to **approve up to \$1,000 for the purchase of three matching office chairs and one additional chair for Carmon.** Carried. Also, motion Balkos/seconded Hetherington to **approve up to \$500 for five small tables.** Carried.

Committee/Policy Reports: None.

Fire Department:

Fire Chief Anderson was present and provided a written update. David Heyrman is on medical leave. John Murk is retiring as of today. Ty Nesberg is now captain. Dan Carlson is back from medical leave. We are working on a new agreement with Hiawatha Township whom we provide assistance to until their Fire Department arrives on scene.

Public Comment: None

Building Report:

2 Township Board meeting – 7 p.m.
12 Munising Bay Quilt Guild – 5 p.m.
16 Wetmore Community Club – 6:30 p.m.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance Savings (11/30/22): \$638,212.19. Receipts: \$25,031.63. Disbursements: \$46,736.10. Balance Savings (12/31/22): \$616,507.72. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$116,497.71. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$96,381.79. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$23,388.99. Balance Road Bond Account: \$1,043.14. Balance General Fund: \$5,299.87.

Pay Bills:

Moved Hetherington/seconded Balko, to **pay bills with checks numbered 8846—8916, excluding voided check numbers 8861 and 8862.** Motion carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Hall.

Adjournment:

Moved Willson/seconded Hetherington to **adjourn.** Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor