

**Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 3, 2024 7:00 p.m. – 8:25 p.m.**

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Supervisor Lisa Howard, Treasurer Carmon Decet, Trustee Selina Balko, and Trustee Jolene Hetherington. Board Members Absent: Clerk Patty Willson. Also present: Assessor Corey McLaughlin, Zoning Administrator Kathleen Lindquist, Fire Chief Harold Anderson, Laura Felker, Lesa Pittman, and Dustin Denkins (Munising Beacon).

Supervisor Howard opened our September 3, 2024, meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment:

Is there anything the township can do to create and enforce rules on inland lakes such as a no wake rule, no speeding rule. Resident was told by the DNR to come to the township. We do not get into this but advised maybe creating a lake association that could address this.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved Hetherington /seconded Decet to **approve minutes of August 5, 2024 Township Board regular meeting**. Motion carried.

Clerk's Correspondence/Report:

Received a brochure listing land use certificate courses offered by MSU Extension. MTA's regional meeting to be held in Marquette on October 3. Received letter of interest from Landmark Dividend to purchase cellular tower. Received notice of hearing from DTE to be held via video/teleconference on September 12. Received the 2024 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029 for Munising Township.

We had a 40% voter turnout for the August primary election. Sent invoice and received payment from Onota Township for the election inspectors we provided/paid to work at their precinct. Updated the website.

Supervisor's Correspondence/Report:

Received a Notice of Intent to update its Master Plan from the City of Munising.

Culvert under H13 is unplugged. New cameras were installed at McQuisten Park. Solar project is on-going. Requested UPPCO move light on Connors Road to intersection of Old Indiantown Road and Connors Road. Called Tri County Septic to pump the tanks and add risers. Cemetery Expansion is complete. Alger Parks & Rec would like to have flag football at McQuisten Park Ballfield this fall. Reminder at Fall Township Clean Up Day is Saturday, September 28.

Requested Items:

- A. Munising Beacon: Provided packets, asked for questions. Said they can do a deal for placing articles in both the Beacon and Advisor.
- B. Zoning Administrator: Present and provided update. Updated email to create more space.
- C. Assessor: Present and provided update. Reassessment is going well.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Shingleton Community Building: No new action taken.

New Business:

- A. Road Improvement Contract with Alger County Road Commission: Resolution offered by Howard/supported by Hetherington **to accept agreement with Alger County Road Commission for roadwork contingent that Crimson Court is included in the plan. Roll call vote: Willson-absent, Balko-yes, Hetherington-yes, Howard-yes, and Decet-yes. 4 yes, 0 nay, 1 absent.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- B. Fire Chief Interview Process: Two candidates. Will try to do both in one night. Then discuss and hire at October meeting.
- C. Receptionist Interview Process: Will place an ad in the Beacon, Advisor, website and Facebook page. Hope to interview and hire at October meeting as well. Duties to be listed on website.
- D. Baby Changing Stations: Motion Hetherington/seconded Balko **to purchase two baby changing stations.** Motion carried.

Committee/Policy Reports:

Supervisor Howard is working on getting the remaining 911 address signs in place. Needs 10 more signs.

Fire Department:

Provided a written report. Golf tournament raised \$4,200 for the Carmen fire fund. Timber Products will store some foam there for use there or when needed in the Shingleton area.

Public Comment: None.

Treasurer's Report:

Present, and provided update.

Balance Savings (07/31/2024): \$161908.33. Receipts: \$16335.77. Disbursements: \$73837.57. Balance Savings (08/31/2024): \$104406.53. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$135560.16. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$236824.84. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$25619.86. Balance Road Bond Account: \$1056.51. Balance General Fund: \$4922.28. Balance CD – Embers: \$307656.10. Balance CD – Embers/FTMillage: \$255742.08. Balance Savings – Embers: \$5.00.

Pay Bills:

Moved Hetherington/seconded Balko, to **pay bills with checks numbered 10253 – 10334, voiding check numbered 10299 and replacing it with 10327.** Motion carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Hall.

Adjournment:

Moved Decet/seconded Howard to **adjourn.** Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Selina Balko, Deputy Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor