

Munising Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2021 7:00 p.m. – 8:37 p.m.
(Meeting via telephone conference.)

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: Fire Chief Harold Anderson, Assistant Fire Chief Ken Swajanen, Janet Miron, Bob Balko, Brice Burge of Roam Media, and David Schneider of Red Power Diesel.

Supervisor Howard opened our January 4, 2021 meeting at 7:00 p.m. leading us with the pledge.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved Balko/seconded Graves to **approve minutes of December 7, 2020 Township Board regular meeting.** Carried.

Clerk's Correspondence:

Received the December newsletter from Fahey, a news release from the National Park Service that the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore is seeking public input for the Sand Point Restoration Project, and MTA new officials' trainings in January.

Supervisor's Correspondence:

Received a Season's Greetings from Alger County Chamber/GMPCD and Holiday gas station. Received flyer for MTA Training for New Officials. Received offer to purchase 2021 Labor Law poster.

Requested Items:

- A. Zoning Administrator: None.
- B. Assessor: None.

Clerk's Report:

I am preparing for year-end. The office remains closed. The minutes from the Planning Commissions December 9th meeting is in your packets.

Supervisor's Report:

Attended the free informational webinar put on by Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes, PLC, township attorneys. Attended a recycling meeting, Planning Commission meeting and Board of Review meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Boardwalk Damage/Grant: Supervisor Howard stressed to the project manager at U.P. Engineers that she would like work completed this summer.
- B. Implications of Covid-19 Pandemic: Board consensus that office remain closed.
- C. Noise Ordinance: Board discussed ordinance and Supervisor will email draft to attorney.
- D. Generator: Received a quote from Code Electrical. Still expecting quote from Imperial Electric and will pursue other quotes.
- E. Recycling: Board would like to know what township residents desire regarding recycling. Wood Island Landfill charges \$10 for a ½ pickup load and \$20 for a full pickup truck load. The landfill does not accept glass, but Marquette County does.
- F. City of Munising Utility Franchise Agreement for Industrial Park: A resolution was offered by Howard/supported by Balko to **extend the Agreement to Extend Revocable Franchise Agreement so that it is automatically renewed every year on March 3rd as long as both parties are satisfied. Roll call vote: Balko-yes, Willson-yes, Howard-yes, Graves-yes, and Decet-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay.** Howard declared the resolution passed.
- G. Replace Copier: Moved Balko/seconded Decet to **purchase MX3071 for \$5,729 and the maintenance agreement for \$150 per quarter.** Carried.
- H. Purchase Fire Truck: Fire Chief Anderson and Board discussed fire truck in great detail. David Schneider of Red Power Diesel was present and explained warranty. Schneider said there is a 12 month wait for the Pierce truck. Schneider will determine the trade-in value of the Freightliner. Anderson explained that Red Power Diesel has been very helpful, good to work with, and close to home. A resolution was offered by Balko/supported by Graves to **purchase the 2021 Enforcer Tanker/Pumper Tanden Axel fire truck for \$705,220.70 that will be delivered between 12-15**

months or there will be a penalty added per day. Roll call vote: Decet-yes, Graves-yes, Balko-yes, Willson-yes, and Howard-yes. 5 yes, 0 nay. Howard declared the resolution passed.

New Business:

- A. Budget Amendment: Moved Willson/seconded Decet to **increase Fire Department “Vehicle Maintenance” by \$20,000, increase Fire Department “Fire Equipment” by \$160,000, decrease Building and Grounds “Repairs & Maintenance” by \$50,000, decrease Cemetery “Miscellaneous” by \$30,000, decrease Roads “Road Projects” by \$40,000, decrease Roads “Miscellaneous” by \$10,000, and decrease Parks and Recreation “Recreation Improvements” by \$50,000.** Carried. Moved Decet/seconded Graves to **borrow \$75,000 from the general fund to the fire millage account to help pay for the fire truck.** Carried.
- B. Fire Millage Renewal: Moved Willson/seconded Balko to **approve millage renewal language.** Carried.
- C. Interlocal Agreement for Alger County to Approve Designated Assessor: Moved Graves/seconded Willson to **accept the Interlocal Agreement for Alger County to Approve Designated Assessor.** Carried.

Committee/Policy Reports: None.

Fire Department:

Fire Chief thanked Board for the new fire truck!

Public Comment: None.

Building Report:

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Treasurer's Report:

Balance Savings (12/1/20): \$436,405.64. Receipts: \$116,201.91. Disbursements: \$35,593.03.
Balance Savings (12/31/20): \$517,014.52. Balance Fire Truck Millage Account: \$661,992.35. Balance Road Millage Fund: \$68,410.49. Balance Road Improvement Fund: \$28,790.71. Balance Road Bond Account: \$1,041.06. Balance General Fund: \$125.82.

Pay Bills:

Moved Balko/seconded Decet, to **pay bills with checks numbered 7174 through 7234.** Carried.

Next Meeting:

Next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munising Township Office Complex.

Adjournment:

Moved Graves/seconded Decet, to **adjourn.** Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Patty Willson, Clerk

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Lisa Howard, Township Supervisor