

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD -Monday, February 23, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order by the Supervisor and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL - Beverly Ikola-Trustee, Hope Tarnaski-Trustee, Jerry Grenfell-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES - MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve the minutes as presented from February 9, 2015. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS - None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA -MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to approve the agenda as amended. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PETITIONS-None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Audit report from the Powderhorn Area Utility District from 2014.

Clerk: None.

Treasurer: None.

Ikola: None.

Tarnaski: None.

MOTION by Randall supported by Grenfell to accept and place on file all communication. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

E911 – None.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – Supervisor Randall reported that this was a regular business meeting and they paid the bills.

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – Treasurer Grenfell reported that this was a regular business meeting.

POWDERHORN AREA UTILITY DISTRICT (PAUD) – Supervisor Randall reported that this was a regular business meeting and they received the audit report.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWA) – Supervisor Randall reported a regular business meeting. A state grant for recycling is available and the authority will be applying. It is a 75% grant with a 25% match.

VETERANS – Don Ormes noted that there will be some area statistics coming out soon.

ASSESSOR – None.

MISCELLANEOUS – Supervisor Randall gave an update on some of the happenings. Bruch is being cut in Ironwood Township. The May election will have a proposal for increasing the sales tax to 7% which will help to fund some road work within the state. Chaney Lake road will be completed this year and may need to be shut down for a period of time in order for this to happen.

OLD BUSINESS

PURITAN FIRE HALL REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE – Two bids were received and opened. One from Nasi Construction for \$6983.00 for the metal roof; \$2465.00 for interior work; and \$1895.00 for interior painting. The other bid was from Angelo Lupino for \$5800.00 for the metal roof; \$1744.00 for interior work and \$2037.00 for all interior painting. MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to accept and award the bid to Angelo Lupino for a total of \$9581.00 with an April 15th date of completion. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

FY 2016 BUDGET DRAFT- The Supervisor reviewed the draft presented to the board. This has to be posted for public viewing ten days prior to the annual meeting. The restricted funds CD allocations were also reviewed. The tentative taxable value is needed for publication of the meeting dates by the Clerk. This will be available next week.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

TREASURER’S REPORT - Treasurer Grenfell reviewed the accounts. He can collect taxes up until March 2. So far taxes collected are ahead of last year.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE - The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#11008-11031- \$15,303.22; Anvil Sewer: Check #1170- \$60.88; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2518-2519-\$75.26; West End Sewer: Check #1125- \$60.87; Water Fund Checks #20303-20310- \$1739.70. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. **ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES:** Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. **NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS

The Supervisor noted that we have received a three year contract for auditing services from Roger Kolehmainen. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to authorize signatures. **ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES:** Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. **NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

Sympathies were given to Treasurer Grenfell for the loss of his companion of over thirty years, Bonnie Mitchem. The funeral will be on March 7th at the Apostolic Lutheran Church.

Next MTA meeting will be held in Erwin Township.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Grenfell supported by Randall to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. **AYES:** 5/**NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk