

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD

Monday, February 24, 2014 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, Jerry Grenfell-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk. Hope Tarnaski-Absent. In addition there was one elector present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES - MOTION by Randall supported by Ikola to approve the minutes as corrected from February 10, 2014. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

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

PETITIONS – Supervisor Randall gave an update on Susan Barggren’s water line and it is believed that it’s the township’s line that is frozen.

There was a meeting called by Jim Loeper to discuss the issues with frozen pipes and how he has applied for FEMA money.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor: None.

Clerk: None.

Treasurer: None.

Ikola: None.

Tarnaski: None.

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

ROAD COMMISSION – Supervisor Randall met with the road commission and discussed a three mile summer project on Chaney Lake Road. Also discussed were work on culverts, a longer weight restriction on roads at the beginning of spring and various other maintenance issues.

E911 – None.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – None.

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – Treasurer Grenfell reported that there was a discussion regarding the new hydrant and water usage that was placed in the City of Bessemer in the community pocket park.

POWDERHORN AREA UTILITY DISTRICT (PAUD) – Supervisor Randall noted this was a regular business meeting.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWA) – Supervisor Randall reported that the money has been sent to Waste Management for payoff of the debt. All members have put money towards the payoff except for Bessemer City. A contract has been signed with Marenisco and an agreement should be coming. The new disposal contractor wants longer bins and a refurbished compactor. This will be looking in to.

VETERANS – None.

ASSESSOR – None.

MISCELLANEOUS –None.

BLIGHT – None.

BEAUTIFICATION – None.

PLANNING COMMISSION – The group met with the engineer for the recreational plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SEWER RATES – The Treasurer and Supervisor met with the engineers about the sewer project. Not all aspects will be able to be done due to funding. Prioritization of the project will be done with manholes as one of the top on the list. A bid for the project will be put out in late fall with work to begin in spring of 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

FY 2015 BUDGET DRAFT – The Supervisor reviewed some of the account changes. If there are any questions, the board needs to get these back with the next week in order to have ample time for publication and review by the public.

MTA RESOLUTION PROPANE/NATURAL GAS – The board reviewed the resolution provide by John Cox that will be presented at the MTA meeting. This resolution will be sent to our representatives for consideration. The board was in agreement.

TREASURER’S REPORT – The treasurer reviewed the accounts. A list of aged receivables was also reviewed. Friday will be the last day to collect taxes. Various supplies have been ordered for the assessor’s mailings as well as paper for the township.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE - The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#10355-10378- \$11,774.93; Anvil Sewer: Check #-\$\$; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2460-\$15.53; West End Sewer: Check #-\$\$; Water Fund Checks #20018-20026-\$5112.37. MOTION by Randall supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

The Progress Edition has been published. The township’s ad looks very nice.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS – The MTA meeting is at Irwin township at 6:00 p.m. tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT - MOTION by Grenfell supported by Randall to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk