

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD

Monday, June 10, 2013 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. In addition there were three electors present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES

MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to approve the minutes as presented from May 13, 2013. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the agenda as presented. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PETITIONS

The Clerk informed the board that she had received a Freedom of Information Act request from the Detroit Area Press regarding information on the Supervisor and November 7, 2012 specifically. The request has been fulfilled.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Letter from Senator Casperson acknowledging the receipt of the township's Wolf Resolution and his support.
- Daily pumping report from May from the Gogebic Range Water Authority.

Clerk:

- April and May 2013 minutes from the Bessemer Township Planning Commission.

Treasurer: None.

Ikola: None.

Tarnaski: None.

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

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

E911 – None.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – None.

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – None.

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

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWA) – It was a regular business meeting. Union negotiations have started taking place.

VETERANS – None.

ASSESSOR – None.

MISCELLANEOUS –Supervisor Randall reported that the ramp and automatic door project is proceeding well and should be done by the end of the week.

The Heritage Committee will be doing door to door fund raising on June 13. They are working on getting their permits for the July 5th celebration.

PLANNING COMMISSION –None.

OLD BUSINESS

UNION CONTRACT – The committee informed the board of the current proposal made. The board gave approval for a three year contract and a .25/per hour increase per year.

RESOLUTION COMPLIANCE PA 152 – MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to ratify per voice poll given. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

WATER QUALITY REPORT – Reports were received for Ramsay/Anvil, Puritan Location-West US2 & Charter township of Ironwood & GRWA. MOTION by Tarnaski to accept the reports and place them on file. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE – Discussion was had regarding some of the pending language. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to table approval until the planning commission has had a chance to look at the Agenda 21 language as a consideration. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

BALL PARK FENCE REPAIR – As a result of the recent spring flooding the ball field fence was damaged. Jean Verbos has talked with Jim Loeper regarding reimbursement from FEMA however this may take a long time. In the meantime repairs need to happen. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve the quote of \$5293.00 for repairs from Fortress Fence. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

TWP. HALL STUCCO/TUCK POINTING REPAIR – Supervisor Randall noted that this has been an issue of need for the past several years. The board discussed the repairs. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to approve the \$11,950 for both the stucco and tuck pointing from Aili Custom Concrete. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

MTA GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT – The Clerk presented an agreement given by MTA that asked for all board to sign to confirm their commitment to the township, it’s residents and the processes of government. Each board member signed the agreement.

UP-TO-DATE “WELCOME TO BESSEMER TOWNSHIP” FLIER – The Clerk gave an updated flyer for review. An inclusion should be made regarding the Heritage Committee and 4th of July celebrations. It was also suggested to wait for a “new”

picture once the ramp is complete and to add “without penalty” under the Treasurer’s description on tax due dates.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Grenfell reviewed the accounts. Utility bills will be going out the first week of July. Taxes will be printed on June 20th to be sent out by July 1st.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE

The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#9865-9909-\$45,933.06; Anvil Sewer: Check #1126-1127-\$366.51; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2423-2426-\$1763.04; West End Sewer: Check #1091-\$3569.00; Water Fund Checks #19814-19835- \$15,722.56. MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried. The Clerk was asked to re-distribute the costs for repair to the back-hoe from Nortrax-ck#9904. (G/F-50%, water-20%, sewer accounts 10% each)

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS

The topic of road repair was discussed. A proposal from the County Road Commission was reviewed for Anvil Road and Keystone road. The board requested a special meeting with Darren Pionk since there are so many questions that need to be addressed. The Supervisor will contact Darren to set this up for 5:30 p.m. either the third Monday or Wednesday of this month.

Reports from the Heritage Committee and the Fire Department were noted.

June 25th is the MTA picnic at the new pavilion in Ironwood Township near the airport.

A light out on Horseshoe Bend was noted and requested to be reported.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk