

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD**

Monday, June 24, 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 Grenfell supported by Ikola to approve the minutes as presented from June 10, 2013. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

The Supervisor added items 10.B. Legal Services Agreement and 10.C. Jim Scholar.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Randall supported by Grenfell to approve the agenda as amended. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

**PETITIONS**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Supervisor:

- DEQ letter regarding closed landfill inspection reports which have not been done in the past 17 years. The DPW is aware of this and will be working on it.
- Gogebic County Land Bank Authority policies and procedures.
- Gogebic County Land Bank Authority agenda for June 11, 2013 and minutes from April 9, 2013.
- Notice of road closure for Johnson Road between McDonald Dam Road and Spruce Road from the Gogebic County Board of County Road Commissioners from June 11, 2013 from 7am to 5pm.

Clerk:

- Agenda for June 12 and minutes from May 1 from the Bessemer Area Sewer Authority. Also a copy of the audit report was included.
- Bessemer Township Planning Commission minutes from June 11, 2013.
- Gogebic Council of Veterans Affairs minutes from April and May 2013.\*

Treasurer: None.

Ikola: None.

Tarnaski: None.

MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski 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) – This was a regular business meeting.

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

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWA) – This was a regular business meeting and they are currently working through union negotiations.

VETERANS – Don noted that he is trying to get permission to have the VA van ride in the parade.

ASSESSOR – None.

MISCELLANEOUS –Supervisor Randall noted that the ramp is almost finished still have a few items to clean up.

Just as an FYI the tower now located next to the township hall is one of eleven in the township that will help GRWA in following the data for the pump stations. This will eventually eliminate the use of a phone line for any notifications.

There are a couple of houses that are being dealt with the Land Authority. One on Nelson road and one on Hilltop. Prior to the next township meeting there will be a public hearing which is the final step before the house on Hilltop can be destroyed. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve of the continuation in this process and to publish meeting notification. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION –None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

UNION CONTRACT – It was recommended that a procedure be devised for reimbursement of the vision care provision added to the contract. MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve of the union contract for the specified term with the amendments noted above. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE – After the last board meeting it was sent back to the planning commission for comment/consideration regarding agenda 21. The planning commission has now sent it back to the board for approval without any addendum regarding agenda 21. They felt that the governance by the state and the board was sufficient in this area. MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the Proposed Zoning Ordinance as noted and publish as appropriate for full approval. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS – There are two positions open for re-appointment. These members have agreed to continue on with the appropriate term designations. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve of Robert Berg and Jean Verbos for another three year term to expire in 2016. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

LEGAL SERVICE AGREEMENT – Supervisor Randall presented a legal service agreement from Michael Pope for the purpose of representing the township in the upcoming sewer and USDA improvement projects. The board reviewed the document. MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve of the agreement and authorize the appropriate signatures for the Ramsay waste water improvement project. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

JIM SCHOLAR – Mr. Scholar gave background on the work that was done near his residence for the restoration water line work which happened over two years ago. In the last two years the area from the street and his lawn has not been restored to its original state. He is very disappointed in the work not performed by the township. The board discussed the issue. Supervisor Randall will talk with the DPW and the work will be done by July 10.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Treasurer Grenfell reviewed the accounts. Utility bills will be going out by July 5-6 and taxes will be mailed by the 1<sup>st</sup>. The auditor is still in the office reviewing accounts.

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE**

The Clerk noted that the report submission for reimbursement for the grant has been submitted. The township will be receiving over 1/3 of the total cost back. The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#9910-9930-\$29,601.54; Anvil Sewer: Check #-; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2427-2430-\$293.28; West End Sewer: Check #-; Water Fund Checks #19836-19841- \$1459.44. 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**

A reminder was made for the MTA picnic tomorrow night.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Janczak supported by Ikola to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

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Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk