

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD

Monday, June 8, 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. There were thirteen electors present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES - MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the minutes as presented from May 11 and June 1, 2015 AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – Several residents from the Black Jack, Moore area spoke regarding the sand pit that is currently operated by Steve Tiziani. The Supervisor gave background on the original special use permit that was granted over 4 years ago. The Planning Commission recommended to the board that there be a one year extension to go until March of 2017. An additional request for a gravel crushing pit was denied. (30 minutes were given to the public comment)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Motion by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve the agenda as presented. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PETITIONS – None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Notice from Marenisco Township that they are currently working on their master plan.
- Minutes from the 4th of July committee from March 24.
- Notice from the road commission stating that all weight restrictions will be lifted as of May 27.
- Pumping report for May from the Gogebic Range Water Authority.

Clerk:

- Notice from the DEQ regarding work on Chaney Lake Road.
- Letter from Gail Armichardy regarding the sand pit renewal permit.

Treasurer: None.

Ikola: None.

Tarnaski: None.

MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to accept correspondence and place on file. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

MISCELLANEOUS – Supervisor Randall noted that road work on Chaney Lake road will begin shortly and the road will be closed as a result for 1-2 weeks. There are signs for detours to go through Marenisco.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK - bids will be open on June 11th at the township.

RAMSAY SEWER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT – The Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer will be heading to Gladstone for the closing on the project bond on the 10th.

REGIONAL MTA MEETING – The Supervisor attended the meeting held in Houghton which focused on the new FOIA requirements and an AMAR session.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY/PAUD – The Supervisor noted there was a joint meeting to discuss the SAW grant requirements. Otherwise is they were regular business meetings.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY – The meeting focused on health insurance. There was a closed session to discuss the position of Bessemer City in the authority.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TRAIL CAMERA PURCHASE – The Supervisor referred to the quote included in the agenda packet. The board discussed the advantages and uses of the cameras. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to approve of the purchase of the three cameras for the amount quoted \$1561.00. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** **AYES:** Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. **NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

GARBAGE TRUCK/COLLECTIONS – The board revisited the cost per 543 households which would be approximately \$8.42. The board will review the set aside amount at the next meeting. Currently Marenisco and Ironwood Township use the collection service through GRSWMA. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to counter the proposal with an \$8.25 per household amount. **AYES:** 5/**NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS –

SAND PIT EXTENSION/GRAVEL CRUSHING APPLICATION – After much discussion from the public and board the Supervisor noted there are three options at this point. 1) To approve the request (already approved by the planning commission); 2) hold its own public hearing; and 3) send the issue back to the planning commission. **MOTION** by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to deny the addition year request on the sand pit. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** **AYES:** Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. **NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

COMPUTER /GIS MAPPING – This is a needed portion for the master plan and to review land use and formal zoning. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to approve of the cost of \$3600.00 for Coleman Engineering to proceed with the process. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** **AYES:** Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. **NAYES:** none. Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT PURCHASES – Jay Saari, the new Chief of the fire department was present to discuss future requests. Turn out gear is in need of replacing as some of it is very old. The board requested a proposal with an amount for the next board meeting. The #2 pumper is in need of replacement. He did receive three quotes for a new truck which range from \$310,000 to \$225,000. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to investigate grant money to cover some of these costs as well as various financing options. **AYES:** 5/**NAYES:** none. Motion carried. (Treasurer left meeting)

RIDING MOWER PURCHASE – The DPW is in need of a new riding lawn mower. There are currently two that are used, but one is in need of replacement. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve of the \$4182.00 cost for a new 52” Gravely riding lawn mower model #99109 as presented in the board packet. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** **AYES:** Ikola, Tarnaski, Randall, Janczak. **NAYES:** none. Motion carried. The older mower will be used for outlying areas for cutting.

WATER QUALITY REPORTS – Because there is now one water source the report is shorted. This is an FYI to be placed on file.

WHAT’S NEXT MINISTRIES – A group of youth will be in the area looking for various work to be done for our residents in need. If anyone knows of someone who could use year, house or other help they are to contact the Supervisor.

TREASURER’S REPORT – The report was reviewed and placed on file.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE –The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#11167-11213- \$21,144.38; Water Fund Checks #20366-20380- \$2605.32; Anvil Sewer: Check #1180-\$181.93; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2531-2533-\$2968.93; Approved

West End Sewer: Check #-\$. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS – The Supervisor noted the attachment of the fire department financial summary. A public notice hearing will take place on June 11 at 4:00pm regarding the Ramsay Sewer Construction Project. MTA will be on June 23 at Ironwood Township.

ADJOURNMENT - MOTION by Ikola supported by Tarnaski to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk