

Monday, March 14, 2016 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 - Hope Tarnaski-Trustee, Jerry Grenfell-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk. Absent: Beverly Ikola-Trustee. There were two electors present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES - MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the minutes as presented from February 22, 2016 AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

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

PETITIONS – None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

FROM SUPERVISOR – Letter for ISO regarding their recent visit and PPC survey. Daily pump report from February 2016; Notice from the Gogebic County Board of County Road Commissioners regarding weight restrictions effective March 9, 2016.

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

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

1. GRWA – Treasurer Grenfell reported that this was a regular business meeting.
2. BASA – Supervisor Randall reported a regular business meeting.
3. Supervisor Randall informed the board that he had talked with Lee Ann Jacobson from Community Action regarding the Economic Development contribution from the township.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET DRAFT – The Supervisor reviewed the draft and discussed moving the wages out of the 526 cost center since there will not be any garbage collection. It was commented that Roman Tauer should attend a meeting especially to discuss an increase in wages. There are extra funds placed in the roads for the upcoming year. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve of the budget with changes noted at this meeting and present it for review to the public. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.
2. RAMSAY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PAYMENT APPROVAL – MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve of the payment from the S2 grant in the amount of \$56,582.63. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.
3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT PROPOSAL – the board reviewed the letter received from Velda Sclafani regarding her desire to work for the township. The proposal was for a six month period in the amount of \$500.00. The board would like her to attend the first meeting in April to discuss her plans and proposals regarding this contract.
4. BACKHOE REPAIRS – The Supervisor noted that the backhoe is in need of some major repairs and discussed the feasibility of replacement in the near future. With the repairs this would make the trade in value higher. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to approve of the costs not to exceed \$13,000. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

- 5. **WASTWATER OPERATORS CONFERENCE** – This is an annual conference that Louis Sworab attends for the township. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve of the costs associated with attendance to the conference. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.
- 6. **MEETING DATE REVISIONS** – the Clerk presented a revised meeting date schedule. Changes in March and July’s dates were made. A copy has already been sent to the Daily Globe for publication. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve of the revisions. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT – The Treasurer reviewed the accounts. At this time there is approximately \$24,000 in outstanding for accounts receivable. This is down slightly from last year.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE –The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#11723-11762- \$22,874.67; Water Fund Checks #20602-20617- \$14,663.28; Anvil Sewer: Check #1195-1197-\$285.57; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2577-2578-\$538.04; West End Sewer: Check #1144-1145-\$3671.24. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried. The Clerk also noted that a card and longevity pay was given to Bucky Gustafson for over eight years working at the township. An update of the election was also given with 265 voters turning out.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS – none.

ADJOURNMENT - MOTION by Grenfell supported by Randall to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk