

Monday, March 28, 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 was one elector present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES - MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the minutes as presented from March 14, 2016 AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS – None.

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

PETITIONS – None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

FROM CLERK: MTA notice regarding the UP Summit to be held June 7-9 in Harris, MI; City of Bessemer Water Quality report; Notice from the DEQ regarding the Lead and Copper Rule implementation at community public water supplies; agenda for February 18, 2016 and March 16, 2016 and minutes from January 21, 2016 and February 18, 2016 from the Gogebic County Council of Veterans Affairs.

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. BASA – Supervisor Randall reported a regular business meeting.
2. PAUD – Supervisor Randall reported this was a regular business meeting. They are still looking at some type of assistance to area business in their utility costs.
3. GRSWMA – Supervisor Randall reported a regular business meeting. Discussion took place regarding an employee that has issues with damaging and destruction of authority property.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none.

NEW BUSINESS

1. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT – MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to accept and approve the 2017 act as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.
2. ASSESSOR REPORT – Roman Tauer will do this at the next meeting.
3. INVASIVE PLANT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT – The Supervisor explained that the Iron Baraga Conservation District along with the Western Peninsula Invasive Species Collation would be observing and destroying any invasive species reported at no expense to the township. This would take place on township land only not on any personal property. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve and authorize signature as well as request reporting of any activity that takes place on township land. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.
4. CONFINED SPACE ENTRY TRAINING – This is for the DPW workers and is sponsored by the Michigan Rural Water Association in conjunction with OSHA regulations. It is suggested that all members of the township DPW attend this training. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve the cost of the \$125.00 per attendee for the training for whoever would like to attend. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

The Supervisor also informed the board that the fire department will be attending pipeline training at Indianhead on March 31st. This is offered periodically.

TREASURER'S REPORT – The Treasurer reviewed the accounts. Tax season is now complete. There is approximately \$60,000 unpaid taxes which will be given to the township by the county. Utility bills will be going out next week. Fund transfers will be taking place soon as the end of the fiscal year approaches for set aside accounts.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE –The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#11763-11780- \$19,454.08; Water Fund Checks #20618-20629- \$2080.76; Anvil Sewer: Check #-\$. Ramsay Sewer: Check#2579-\$15.82; West End Sewer: Check #-\$. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS – The Supervisor noted that he will be gone from April 13-23 and Trustee Tarnaski will be gone April 11-21.

ADJOURNMENT - MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk