

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD**

Monday, October 27, 2014 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 was one elector present.

**PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES - MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve the minutes as presented from October 13, 2014. AYES: 5/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: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

**PETITIONS** – None.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Supervisor:

- Audit from Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority.

Clerk:

- Letter from UPSET requesting support.
- DEQ notice regarding Certificate of Coverage.
- VA minutes from December 2013, August 2014, and September 2014.

Treasurer: None.

Ikola: None.

Tarnaski: None.

**MOTION** by Randall supported by Tarnaski to accept correspondence and place on file. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

**REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

**ROAD COMMISSION** – None.

E911 – Jim Loeper was present to talk about the 911 renewal coming up on the November 4<sup>th</sup> ballot.

**BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA)** – None.

**GOGEVIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA)** – None.

4<sup>th</sup> of JULY – None.

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

**GOGEVIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWA)** –Supervisor Randall reported that they had received a clean audit. The audit went smoothly due to the clean books kept by the administrator. More dumpsters were also ordered.

**PLANNING COMMISSION** –None.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT** –None.

**MISCELLANEOUS** – There was a public hearing on October 22 to discuss the hotel/casino plans at Indianhead Mountain. The Supervisor reviewed what was discussed and the timeline for the project which is still in a feasibility stage.

**VETERANS** – None.

**ASSESSOR** – None.

**BEAUTIFICATION** –None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**ROAD PATCHING EQUIPMENT** – Supervisor Randall noted that the road commission has since decided to purchase this equipment. They are however asking for the townships to buy the materials which would cost approximately \$10,000. The board discussed what this would entail and how it would benefit the township roads. A decision needs to be made sometime in December.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**GRWA TERM EXPIRATION – MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to re-appoint Jerry Grenfell to the GRWA board. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried. Thank you to jerry for his service on this board. The Supervisor will send a letter of the reappointment to GRWA.

**LABORER STARTING WAGE** – The Clerk brought to the board’s attention as well as the union that if we follow the contract Beau will be fall back on his wage by almost \$2.00/hour. The board discussed the contract and the terminology of a “new” employee. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to start Beau Rajala at the wage of \$12.43 per hour effective November 1, 2014 as denoted in the contract for a general laborer and by-pass any probationary period. This will be for a one time only as Beau has worked for the township for several years. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried. The Clerk will draw up and agreement for both the union and township to sign off on for this one time starting wage.

**TREASURER’S REPORT** – The Treasurer’s reviewed current account balances. The General Fund is in a better financial state after moving of \$190,000 from the CD checking account. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE** –The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#10797-10820- \$13,604.75; Water Fund Checks #20219-20228- \$3692.70; Anvil Sewer: Check #1159-1160-\$237.15; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2501-2505-\$1142.39; West End Sewer: Check #-\$. **MOTION** by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried. The Clerk will be out of the office from the 28<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup>. Her Deputy will be checking for absentee ballot requests.

**PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS** – MTA Christmas party will be at the Pub & Grub. The Supervisor will be gone from Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup> until right before the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT** - **MOTION** by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

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Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk