

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD: Monday, February 9, 2009, 5:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order by the Supervisor and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: John McLean-Trustee, Jerry Grenfell-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk. Absent: Hope Tarnaski-Trustee. In addition there were three electors present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES: **MOTION by Grenfell supported by McLean to accept the minutes as presented from January 26, 2009. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **MOTION by Randall supported by McLean to accept the agenda as presented. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PETITIONS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- A schedule of the 2009 Gogebic County Road Commission Meeting dates.
- MTA letter to the township regarding any stimulus “shovel ready” projects.
- USDA Ottawa National Forest Beaton Vegetation Management Project information and CD.
- Bessemer Area Sewer Authority agenda for February 4, 2009 and minutes from January 7, 2009.
- Gogebic County Board of Commissioners agenda for January 28, 2009 and minutes from January 14, 2009.
- Gogebic Range Water Authority Daily Pumpage schedule for January 2009.

Clerk:

- MTA Flyer for an “Introduction to Planning & Zoning” workshop in Escanaba on March 31, 2009.
- An invitation from Enbridge Energy for a free pipeline safety emergency response program.

Treasurer: None.

McLean: None.

Tarnaski: None.

MOTION by Randall supported by Grenfell to place all correspondence on file. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

POWDERHORN AREA UTILITY DISTRICT (PAUD) – None.

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – None.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – Trustee McLean reported that he has accepted the appointment of chairperson until the regular board is together.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWMA) – None.

E911 – None.

ASSESSOR – None.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS

GRAND VIEW HEALTH SYSTEMS BUILDING PROJECT – Guest Carol Goffnett was present to inform the board of the current building situation at the hospital. At this time they will be putting any major ground breaking projects on hold. Instead there will be a focus on the heating, ventilating, and roof at the current clinic. She thanked the board for their work for the community.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer Grenfell reviewed current account balances and provided account reconciliation reports. A review was done via an outstanding balance report for the water fund. Two accounts are still showing up that should be written off. ID#007845-0000-01 for \$1,014.87 has been sold and ID#000000-0000-00 for \$26.34 was also sold; neither of the balances was written off at the time of sale which is customary. **MOTION by McLean supported by Randall to write off two accounts belonging to Steve Ward for \$1014.98 and Greg & Carrie Miljevich for \$26.34. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Grenfell, Randall, Janczak, McLean. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

There has been more tax money college this year than last year at this time. The township needs to be prepared to have more cash outlay for the Anvil project. The overages will be discussed at the next GRWA meeting.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE: The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#6991-7014- \$17,802.17; Anvil Sewer: Check #- \$; Ramsay Sewer: Check#- \$; West End Sewer: Check #- \$ Water Fund Checks #18475-18483- \$2477.68. **MOTION by Mclean supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Randall, Janczak, McLean, Grenfell. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

A discussion was had regarding the township’s monthly heating and electric bill. A state energy audit can be done with buildings totally 25,000 square feet. **MOTION by McLean supported by Grenfell to authorize Supervisor Randall to look for other entities to subsidize the square footage needed to qualify for the energy audit. (E.g. Ironwood Township, Bessemer Area Sewer Authority) ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Randall, Janczak, McLean, Grenfell. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS: A reminder of the February 24, 2009 Michigan Township’s Association Chapter meeting to be held at the townships was made. Sheriff Larry Sanders will be the speaker and update the group on the county jail.

ADJOURNMENT: **MOTION by McLean supported by Grenfell to adjourn the meeting at 5:58 p.m. AYES: 4/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk