

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD: Monday, August 9, 2010 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, Hope Tarnaski-Trustee, Jerry Grenfell-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk. In addition there were eight electors and two guests present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES: **Motion by Tarnaski supported by McLean to approve the minutes as presented from July 26, 2010. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Supervisor Randall added item 10.B. Fire Department Application to the agenda.

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

PETITIONS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Thank you card from the Udd Family.
- Daily Pump report for July, 2010 from Gogebic Range Water Authority.
- Letter from Nancy Miskovich asking for any update on the requested road sign on Chaney Lake Road/County 519.
- Minutes from July 12, 2010 from the Gogebic County Road Commission.
- Letter from Western UP Health Department regarding a “Complete Streets” training to be held in Hancock.
- Notices from the Ottawa National Forest Ranger districts regarding aquatic invasive species and activities on Perch River.

Clerk:

- Water rate resolution from the Gogebic Range Water Authority resulting in a .03 increase from \$3.86 per 1000 gallons to \$3.89 per 1000 gallons effective October 1, 2010.

Treasurer: None.

McLean: None.

Tarnaski: None.

MOTION Randall supported by Tarnaski to accept the above communications and place them on file. AYES: 5/NAYES: none.

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

POWDERHORN AREA UTILITY DISTRICT (PAUD) – None.

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – Treasurer Grenfell reported that they received a notice of increase from the City of Wakefield for water; adopted the 2011 operating budget; and noted that the outstanding billings from James Bucknell have been sent to the attorney for processing.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – Jean Verbos reported this was a regular meeting.

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

VETERANS – None.

ASSESSOR – None.

E911 – None.

PLANNING COMMISSION – Meeting will be held tomorrow at 5:00 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS – None.

OLD BUSINESS –

HEATING SYSTEM PROJECT – Supervisor Randall referred to the copies of e-mail correspondence he provided in the agenda regarding the progress and change of the project. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to table until Randy Scott can attend a board meeting. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

BROADBAND INITIATIVE – Supervisor Randall referred to the sheet of information provided. Board support is sought for the application of grant money from the Gogebic Ontonagon Intermediate School District. The board discussed the services that would be provided. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by McLean to table further movement until the Supervisor contacts Bruce Mayle to attend a board meeting for more information on the project. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICATION – An application from Daniel Nelson was presented after approval from the fire department. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the application of Daniel Nelson to the Bessemer Township Fire Department. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: McLean, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer reviewed all of the account balances. An outstanding utility balance report was provided. Shut-off notices will go out tomorrow. Money has been received from the Department of Human Services as well as St. Vinnie’s. There will be a tax foreclosure sale on August 14, 2010. Four township properties will be up for sale. More cuts are anticipated in the future for revenue sharing. A report from the Department of Treasury website was provided with a \$13,957 projected revenue sharing payment for August.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE: The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#8056-8079- \$18,261.07 Anvil Sewer: Check #1082-\$77.16; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2310-2312-\$877.34; West End Sewer: Check #-; Water Fund Checks #18997-19013 (check #19012-Void) - \$14,311.68. **MOTION by Tarnaski supported by McLean to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: McLean, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Randall noted the road repair report from the Gogebic County Road Commission and the financial statement from the fire department that were included in the agenda packet.

Two attendees who are current owners of Black Jack condos were present and inquired about the current sewer system at the hill. Supervisor Randall and Jean Verbos gave some background information and possible direction on how the owners should proceed if looking for grant money. It was suggested that a petition be presented to the board with the owners’ requesting a special assessment.

Richard McDermott inquired about the dust on Oak Lane. Supervisor Randall has yet to hear back from Darren Pionk. He will be going to the road commission tomorrow.

Mike Wells asked questions regarding the current EDC situation. Also brought up was a dog that continues to be a menace and what the process is for correcting the situation. The board will look at whether they have an ordinance to cover a “leash law” or if this is a county issue.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk