

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD: Monday, July 26, 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 was one elector present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES: **Motion by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the minutes as presented from July 12, 2010. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None.

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

PETITIONS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Letter from Joseph & Angela Buorgiorno regarding trailers on Chaney Lake (Supervisor read letter). **MOTION by McLean supported by Tarnaski to table for further discussion. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**
- Agenda for July 28, 2010, regular meeting minutes from July 7, 2010 and minutes from the July 7, 2010 Public Hearing from the Gogebic County Board of Commissioners.
- Agenda for July 21, 2010 and minutes from June 30, 2010 for the Bessemer Area Sewer Authority.
- Information from the State of Michigan Community Development Block Grant Farm to Food program.
- Letter of thanks for cooperation from the Department of State Police regarding the July 3 tragedy in Ramsay.
- Letter from the US Forestry regarding Perch Lake.
- Annual report from Orvana Resources.
- Minutes from June 28, 2010 from the Gogebic County Road Commission.

Clerk:

- MTA offering on cost sharing benefits with other local governments held in Gaylord and Lansing.

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) – Supervisor Randall reported that it was a regular meeting. There have been some issues with the #4 pump located at Caribou Lodge. The electronics have been repaired so far, but there is a definite strain on the system. Letters of notice will be sent out to advise renters, visitors, etc. not to dispose of sanitary items in the toilets.

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – None.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – None.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWMA) – Trustee McLean reported that it was a regular meeting. They are currently working on a new contract for the administrator. Supervisor Randall noted that the fire department has looked at the brush piles and they could be burned if made smaller and higher. They will work with the authority on this.

VETERANS – (given at the end of the meeting) Don Ormes noted that the VA is encouraging people to go to Grand View Clinic for services. The new director is doing well. Articles have been published in the Wakefield News/Bessemer Pick ‘n Axe.

ASSESSOR – None.

E911 – None.

PLANNING COMMISSION – None.

MISCELLANEOUS – Supervisor Randall reported that bids came in for the heating project. They were opened and were quite a bit higher than the engineering firm had projected. The board discussed the bids. **MOTION by Tarnaski supported by McLean to request that a representative from C2Ae attend a future meeting to discuss the project. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

Also noted was that the Board of Review received five petitions during its last session regarding homestead credit.

OLD BUSINESS –

BACKHOE REAR TIRE REPLACEMENT – The board reviewed the two quotes received from Zifko Tire & Battery Supply Inc. and C & M Oil Company of Bessemer. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to make the purchase of new tires and mounting from C & M Oil Company of Bessemer in the amount of \$1288.62. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Randall, Janczak, McLean, Tarnaski, Grenfell. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

EXCESS PROPERTY RESOLUTION – A survey has already been done and earnest money has been paid in the amount of \$700.00. The board discussed the property. **MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve Lot 6A as Excess Property and to include costs of title insurance and advertising when they are available in the resolution. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: McLean, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer reviewed all of the account balances. There is approximately \$35,000 utility bills yet to be paid, some of which will end up being liened. This is usually around \$15,000. Past due notices will be going out this week. Revenue sharing will still be down as anticipated. With the loss of Grand Views taxes our tax collection will be going down around \$5,000 each year.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE: The Clerk noted that the township received an \$870.00 refund from the Workman’s Comp Company as a result of the audit. The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#8008-8055- \$26,627.42; Anvil Sewer: Check #-; Ramsay Sewer: Check#-; West End Sewer: Check #-; Water Fund Checks #18985-18995- \$1363.47. **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 reminded the board of the MTA Chapter meeting held at the township tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m.

Kurt Haas commented that the DPW did a great job on repairing the concession stand roof.

The old Wieneri house has been burnt down. Also an old building next to the Puritan Fire Hall is being dismantled.

There was a minor fire at Buzzy's junkyard and the fire department responded.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Tarnaski supported by McLean to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk