

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD: Monday, October 25, 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: Beverly Ikola-Trustee, Hope Tarnaski-Trustee, Jerry Grenfell-Treasurer, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk. In addition there were two electors present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES: **Motion by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to approve the minutes as presented from October 11, 2010. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Supervisor Randall added item 10.B. Pick-up Truck Bid and item 10.C. Lawn mower quote.

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

PETITIONS: None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Minutes from October 12, 2010 from the Bessemer Township Planning Commission.
- Agenda for October 21, 2010 and minutes from September 16, 2010 from the Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority.
- Agenda for October 13, 2010 and minutes from September 22, 2010 from the Gogebic County Board of Commissioners.
- Letter from the Ottawa National Forest – Kenton Ranger District regarding a house removal and restoration project.
- Minutes from a special meeting September 24, 2010 and regular meeting held on September 27, 2010 from the Gogebic County Board of County Road Commissioners.

Clerk:

Treasurer: None.

Tarnaski: None.

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

REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES

GOGEBIC RANGE WATER AUTHORITY (GRWA) – Treasurer Grenfell reported that they are still working on the new booster station on US 2. A resolution was adopted for the Copperwood Mine Project.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY – Jean Verbos reported that they reviewed quotes for the new insurance year and rates went up 6.9%. A change in the type of coverage for current employees was also discussed.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWMA) – ASA) –Supervisor Randall reported that this was a regular business meeting. The township fire department will be burning the piles of brush at the complex.

POWDERHORN AREA UTILITY DISTRICT (PAUD) – Supervisor Randall reported a regular business meeting. The issues with Lift station #4 have been resolved. The meeting time has been changed to the third Wednesday of every month at 4:30 p.m.

HEATING SYSTEM – The contractor has been working and is currently waiting for parts. The grant administrator was at the township on Thursday and everything checks out and is up to code.

MISCELLANEOUS – The areas around the mine heads that were to be fenced have been looked at. Repairs have been made to one site and a question was raised as to what exactly was the second site. The current mine inspector is trying to find someone with past knowledge of the location of mines in the area. There was a \$3500 quote for new fencing.

The Supervisor will be sending a letter of support to the potential buyer of the old Mama Gets (the Sikes) restaurant for them to send along with their application to the Liquor Control Commission.

PLANNING COMMISSION – The Master Plan is in its last stage of review. The regular meeting has been moved up one week to November 3 so that the township board can review the plan and it will be put out before the public for sixty two days.

VETERANS – None.

ASSESSOR – None.

E911 – None.

OLD BUSINESS

SEWER ISSUE ON MILL STREET –MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve the request for reimbursement from Krystal Suzik in the amount of \$3044.97 for cleanup costs. (This request does meet the five point criteria forwarded from Hannula Agency.) ROLL CALL VOTES: AYES: Randall, Janczak, Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

Construction on Mill Street is completed. There was more than 1200 feet of sewer line replaced and ditch restoration. This total job came in under budget. Keystone Road is also being completed for the extension of the water line. This was slightly over budge and came in at \$44,000.

NEW BUSINESS

GRWA APPOINTMENTS– MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to approve Jerry Grenfell as board representative to the Gogebic Range Water Authority and Jeff Randall and Mike Peterson as alternates. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Janczak, Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PICK-UP TRUCK BID – The board reviewed the bid presented for a new truck for the DPW. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to approve the bid for publication with the receive date as 1:00 p.m. on November 22, 2010 and bid award date at the regular township board meeting on November 22, 2010. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Grenfell, Randall, Janczak, Ikola, Tarnaski. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

LAWN MOWER QUOTE – The board discussed the mower from Waninks and the cost of a new mower. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve the purchase of the used Ariens from Waninks for \$1599.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Randall, Janczak, Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer reviewed all of the account balances and reconciliations. It was noted in the Michigan Township News that revenue sharing will be staying the same. Also noted was a proposal from the IRS that tax deposits will have to be made on line and not via bank deposits. This has not been confirmed yet. Revenue sharing should be received next week and will be around \$15,000. Utility bills continue to come in. Michael Ronn is the new deputy and will need get bonded and be sworn in by the Clerk.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE: The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#8196-8219- \$10,354.44; Anvil Sewer: Check #-; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2321-\$9.81; West End Sewer: Check #-; Water Fund Checks #19076-19086- \$4966.89.

MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to approve payment of bills. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Ikola, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Trustee Tarnaski made a clarification and noted that the statement received by AFSME regarding work boots is not a mandate and employers are *not* obligated to pay for them.

The MTA meeting will be held in Wakefield Township at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk