

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD: Monday, September 13, 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 present.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES: **Motion by Tarnaski supported by McLean to approve the minutes as presented from August 23, 2010. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: Supervisor Randall added Item. 10. D. Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority appointment.

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

PETITIONS: Clerk Janczak noted that she received an e-mail request from Muriel Jazdzewski for a copy of the letter sent to the board from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph & Angela Buorgiorno regarding the Chaney Lake trailers.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Supervisor:

- Letter from Charter Communications regarding rate changes.
- Agenda for September 9, 2010 and minutes from August 12, 2010 from the Gogebic Range Water Authority.
- Notice from the Western UP Planning & Development Regional Commission's 42nd Annual Meeting to be held in Silver City.
- Notice of hearing from Northern States Power Company for September 16, 2010 in Lansing.
- Request for contribution from UP Substance Enforcement Team.
- Daily pump report for August 2010 from GRWA.
- Minutes from July 26, 2010 and August 9, 2010 from the Gogebic County Road Commission.
- Agenda for August 25 & September 8 and minutes from August 11 & 25, 2010 from the Gogebic County Board of Commissioners.
- Notice to refuse collectors regarding hot ash policies within each municipality. A list of what not to put into garbage for collection will be placed on the website and in the newsletter as a reminder.

Clerk:

- Agenda for September 14, 2010 and minutes from June 8, 2010 from the Western UP Heritage Trail Network.

Treasurer: None.

McLean: None.

Tarnaski: None.

MOTION Tarnaski supported by McLean 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 it was a regular business meeting. Jean Verbos gave an overview on the Ironwood project.

BESSEMER AREA SEWER AUTHORITY (BASA) – None.

GOGEBIC RANGE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (GRSWMA) – Trustee McLean called a special meeting to try to resolve the contract for the administrator, but it will have to be reviewed again by the attorney.

VETERANS – None.

ASSESSOR – None.

E911 – None.

PLANNING COMMISSION – None.

MISCELLANEOUS – Supervisor Randall noted that paving on Stone Hill road should take place next Tuesday. Johnson Road will be this week. Also dust control at this point of the season is too late.

OLD BUSINESS –

HEATING SYSTEM PROJECT – Supervisor Randall noted that we are still waiting for grant approval. Mukavitz is still waiting for bonds to come through. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to give the Supervisor and Clerk authority to go ahead with the process on the contracts if they come in before next board meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: McLean, Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

The board discussed the heating loss through the windows and possible fixes. Also the front entrance to the building should have walls built so alleviate heat loss to the second floor. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Janczak to have Roman Tauer and Supervisor Randall draft up specs for the hallway and vestibule area, as well as a new entrance door to township official’s offices for board review. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

TRUSTEE APPOINTEMENT – The Township received three letters of interest. One was brought to the board meeting, but was not accepted because it was past the due date specified in the published ad. There was one applicant present at the meeting. A letter requesting the interested parties attend the next board meeting will be sent by the Clerk. A follow up phone call will also be done. The board will interview all three candidates at the September 27, 2010 meeting. Questions will be compiled by board members before the next meeting.

EDC LETTER/SURVEY – The Supervisor received a request from the current EDC board asking for input in the future direction of the board. There are seven questions asked. **MOTION by Grenfell to not answer the request. (Motion died for lack of support)** **MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to have each board member answer the questions and submit a final compilation of all answers. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

SIGN REQUEST/TRAFIC STUDY – Results from the traffic study done on Chaney Lake Road were reviewed. At the time of the study it showed that traffic was at or slightly above the posted 55 mph speed. The board discussed options of caution signs with concern over the cost of new regulations for the reflectiveness of new signage being place being mandatory. **MOTION by Tarnaski supported by McLean to have the Supervisor send a letter with the speed study results, noting the cost of signs for caution. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

GRSWMA APPOINTMENT – Supervisor Randall is the alternative for John McLean on this committee. **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to appoint Jeff Randall as the township representative to the Gogebic Range Solid Waste Management Authority. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Tarnaski, Grenfell, Randall, Janczak, McLean. NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer reviewed all of the account balances. Tomorrow is the day taxes are due for collection. From the 15th to the 30th of the month a 1% fee will be added and then 1% per month until the taxes are paid. A list of delinquent personal property tax has also been sent to the County Treasurer for write off.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE: The following checks were presented for payment: General Fund: Check#8110-8147- \$21,524.99 Anvil Sewer: Check #-; Ramsay Sewer: Check#2313-2316-\$6334.27; West End Sewer: Check #-; Water Fund Checks #19014-19027 - \$2673.98. **MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Grenfell 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 informed the board that he did attend the meeting to discuss snowmobile access to street roads and the consensus was that they were in favor of this. No final decision has been made yet.

The board thanked John for his service to the township. A small reception will be held after the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: **MOTION by Grenfell supported by Tarnaski to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m. AYES: 5/NAYES: none. Motion carried.**

These minutes are respectfully submitted:

Debra A. Janczak, Bessemer Township Clerk