

**Charter Township of Ironwood  
Regular Meeting  
June 26, 2017**

**Call to Order:** 5:30 pm Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Supervisor Steve Boyd, Treasurer Maria Graser and Clerk Mary Segalin

**Trustees:** Kevin Lyons, Bev Michaels, Marlene Saari, Bernie Brunello

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Lynn Coron- Deputy Clerk, Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Joe Rohde, George Kivi, Ginger Kivisto, James Simmons, Mark McDonald- Township Attorney, LeRoy Johnson, Linda Ellos, Sandy Lahtinen.

**Public Comment:** None

**Amendments to Agenda:** New Business: Review Proposals for forensic audit (5). A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:**

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to accept the June 12, 2017 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**Bills and Salaries:** General Fund-42671-42709- \$26,672.78, Water Fund-8743-8745- \$32,121.20, Waste Water Fund- 1761-1762- \$4,922.30. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Lyons to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**Appearances:** James Simmons requested that his FOIA request appeal be postponed until the next meeting.

**Old Business:** The Union contract was discussed. Lyons had suggested that since the whole board needs to approve the contract, that it be discussed with the whole board in the negotiation stage.

There were two applicants for the Board of Review alternate vacancies. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Lyons that Sandy Lahtinen and Darrin Kimbler be elected as alternates to the Board of Review for a 2 year term. Motion carried.

Boyd wanted confirmation of which board members wanted to attend the summer workshop so the Twp. could get a cheaper rate. Saari and Boyd will attend. Brunello and Segalin are unsure.

**Communications:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to place the projected 2017/2018 revenue sharing informational letter on file. Motion carried.

There will be a Michigan State University (MSU) extension workshop for Lakefront Property owners on July 27 & 28, 2017. There are forms available at the Twp. offices. It will also be on the Website.

**New Business:** A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to adopt Resolution 2017-12 Designating Depository of Fire Department with signatures. This now requires two (2) signatures on all checks from the Fire Department Funds. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Segalin presented the renewal of the Delta Dental contract as presented. It was noted that there is no changes in premiums in the contract from the previous year. A motion was made by Segalin supported by Brunello to accept the new Delta Dental contracted as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

An upgrade to the leased postage machine was discussed. The board compared features and cost. It was decided to remain with the present postage machine until it is necessary to upgrade. The upgrade will eventually save the Twp. approximately \$6000 in the future sending taxes out. A motion was made by Saari supported by Michaels to sign the current postage lease agreement. Motion carried.

The bids for a new furnace for the gym were opened, copied and presented to each board member for review. The bids will be discussed and voted on at the special meeting being held on Wednesday June 28, 2017 at 3:30 pm.

It was decided that the township wide rummage sales will be held Sept. 9, 2017, in the township. This will be advertised in the Globe and on the Twp. website.

A Capital Improvement Plan was discussed. It is required by law if we have Water and Sewer systems per Boyd. This will assist in budgeting. Boyd is requesting input from the Fire Dept., the Township Board, and the Parks and Rec. Committee. It is recommended to be a 5-6 year plan.

### **Reports:**

**Supervisor:** The Township has now filed the civil suit against the former Treasurer, Jyl Olson DeRosso. Boyd talked with Gus Ahonen, from our current audit firm, when he will be finalizing the 2015 audit. Mr. Ahonen will be calling next week.

**Treasurer:** Graser presented the May 2017 Treasurer's report.

**Clerk:** Segalin presented the May 2017 financial statements for all funds.

**Trustees:** Parks and Rec. committee will be meeting soon to discuss improvements needed or other issues. The Planning Commission will be reviewing and updating the Township's 5 year Master Plan.

**Fire Department:** Chief Carlson Reported zero fire calls this month. The fire dept. has started to install the smoke detectors donated to them to Township residents that have signed up. Carlson also requested permission to drive the fire trucks in the local Fourth of July parades. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to allow Chief Carlson to take the trucks to the parades. Motion carried.

**Public Comment: (3 minute limits)** A citizen asked about the possibility of high speed internet coming to this area. Another citizen has asked about the possibility of a Fall Clean-up as well as spring. The cleanup will be discussed at a later date.

A citizen had asked about financial report summaries available to the public, suggested budget amendments should be placed when deemed necessary, who's on the 911 committee-Carlson, Boyd, Lyons, and Nelson.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 pm. Motion carried.

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**Steve Boyd, Supervisor**

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**Mary Segalin, Clerk**