

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
Monday, September 28, 2020
Time: 5:30 pm
Teleconference meeting
Call: (701) 802-5250
Access Code: 714999#**

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

Roll Call: James Simmons- Supervisor, Maria Graser- Treasurer, Mary Segalin- Clerk

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Brenda Angus, Jay Kangas, Sandy Lahtinen, Brett Imwalle.

Public Comment: (3-minute limit) A citizen commented on a voucher that is missing from the CTF account- Graser said it was a voided check. Another citizen had asked about the grant for the FD-Covid relief and wondered if we did anything for it, also asked if a letter was sent to Sen. Markkanen about the gravel pit bill. Segalin stated it passed the senate, waiting on the House now. Simmons will send letter.

Amendments to Agenda: None

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to accept the minutes from the Regular Meeting, Sept. 14, 2020, as presented. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-46370-46409, EFT-45-48- Totaling \$36,369.84, Water Fund-#9132-9134- Totaling \$580.60, Wastewater Fund- #1965(voided) 1966 & 1967- Totaling \$1,465.16, Tax Fund - #9(8)427-8452- Totaling \$1,331,526.60. T&A Fund- 1013-Totaling \$150.00. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Simmons to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Appearances: None

Old Business: The LED scrolling sign for outside of the township building was discussed. Graser had received a quote from Cook Signs- \$9500 for a LED sign, a little bit bigger than the one previously discussed for \$3020. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to purchase the full color, 16 x 41, wifi, 3 yr. warranty, LED sign for \$3020. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

There have not been any payments or communications made for the trailer park. As of October 31, 2020 the overdue water bill will be placed on the tax roll, if not paid prior

The Michigan Dept. of Treasury has accepted and approved the AMAR plan presented by Tom Novascone, Twp. Assessor. A motion was made by Segalin supported by Brunello to place the AMAR plan on file. Motion carried.

Communications: The Fire Training Council Act was presented to the board for information only. A motion was made by Michaels supported by Brunello to place on file. Motion carried.

New Business: There were two bids for the Township truck up for bid, as the Twp. Purchased a newer truck. One bid was for \$2011 and the other one was for \$ 3250. Floyd Ramme was the highest bidder. A motion was made by Saari supported by Brunello to award Ramme the recipient of the truck. Motion carried.

A motion made by Simmons supported by Brunello to re-appoint Lyons and Graser to the PAUD board. Motion carried. Segalin will send a letter to PAUD notifying them of the re-appointments.

Reports:

Supervisor: The embezzlement case has been settled with the Insurance company. Details will follow as they are finalized. By the next meeting there will be a date set for a structural engineer to come and check out the Fire Hall for safety. A letter will be sent to Senator Markkanen concerning the gravel pit bill.

Treasurer: Continuing to work with DHHS and COVID relief efforts for overdue water bills. A bigger drop box is being installed for all payments to the Township as well as ballots. She stated there were budgeted funds for LED (2) stop signs as requested by trustee.

Clerk: The ballots came in late Thursday, on Friday 200 AV Ballots were mailed, today 217 more were mailed. We will continue to get them out in the mail as soon as we can. A budget was made to present to the board, but there was a glitch in the BS&A software so there will be one by the next meeting.

Trustees:

Michaels- Requested a letter be sent to Senator Markkanen concerning the gravel pit issue, again.

Saari- Attended the Solid Waste meeting. So far there have been 112 residents that have used the Township clean-up. Wondering if a flashing stop sign can be placed on the corner of Vanderhagen/Airport Rd, as there was an accident there recently. The Fire Dept. ordinance- can it be finalized soon?

Brunello- Nothing to report.

Lyons- Nothing to report

Fire Dept.: Absent from meeting

Public comment: A citizen had congratulated the board on the insurance settlement. Also, wondered if the water bill at the trailer park will be paid if the property sells.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to adjourn the meeting at 5:56pm. Motion carried.

James Simmons, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk