

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
April 27, 2015**

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

Roll call: Supervisor Alan Baron, Treasurer Jyl Olson-Derosso, Clerk Gayla Salmi

Trustees: Steve Boyd, Kevin Lyons, Kathy Maki, Bernie Brunello

Also present: Fire Chief Scott Carlson, Joe Rohde, Linda Ellos, Den Ellos, Kit Malloy, Lynn Coron, James Merritt, Mary Beth Merritt, Kim Pelkola, Nancy Korpela, Sharon Foley, Betsy Wesselhoff, Karen Mallum, Phil Strong, Grace Strong, Fran Strong, Darrin Kimbler, Bill Malloy, Debbie Routheaux, Therese Pawlak, Lynne Werzinski, Elaine Erickson, Brenda Angus, Susan Gardner, Amber Hurkmans, Stan Carr, Susan Carr, Paulette Niemi, Bill Hansen, Mary Hanson, Sharon Hallberg, Charmaine Chiantello, Dave Chiantello and Mary Segalin.

Public comment: A citizen read a letter from her son concerning how the Carnegie library impacted his life as far as his success in life, and his abilities as a soon to be published author. A citizen also reported that they now have 337 signatures in support of the library. Another citizen wanted to know the percentage of voters needed for a ballot. The cost of the referendum would be \$3000. Another citizen commented that the Ironwood library has helped so many children with sponsored programs to start the drama group. Children now have the opportunity to grow and learn because of it.

Amendments to agenda: None. Motion made to accept agenda as presented by Brunello supported by Derosso. Motion carried.

Consent agenda: A motion made by Lyons supported by Maki to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries:

General Fund Vouchers: 39893-39924- Totaling \$12,549.46

Water Fund Vouchers: 8530-8531- Totaling \$481.86

Waste Water Fund Vouchers: 1638- Totaling \$620.57

A motion was made by Lyons, supported by Maki to accept the Bills as presented. The motion carried.

Appearances: Bob Murphy informed the board that the union is willing to enter the secretary into the union contract as of the June 2015 renewal. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Brunello to accept the secretary's request to join the union as of the June renewal of the union's contract. Motion carried.

New Business: Library proposals were discussed. Bessemer vs. Carnegie library- A motion was made by Baron supported by Brunello to accept the Bessemer library's contract for the next 3 years, expiring in 2018. Ayes were Baron, De-Rosso, Salmi, Brunello, and Maki. Nays were Boyd and Lyons. Motion carried.

Motion made by Maki supported by De-Rosso to appoint Brunello as the representative to the Gogebic Range Water Authority. Motion carried.

A motion made by Salmi, supported by Brunello to appoint Lyons as an alternate to the Gogebic Range Water Authority board. Motion carried.

A motion made by Salmi, supported by Maki to appoint Lyons to the PAUD board as an alternate. Motion carried.

The Supervisor appointed Joe Rohde to the open seat on the Board of Review.

Old Business: None

Communications: Baron will contact RECON media to come and demonstrate the website product. A motion was made by Brunello, supported by DeRosso to pay the \$5212.50 bill at the next meeting. Motion carried.

Reports: None

Supervisor: Baron reported on the road commission funding vote for the repairs to- Vanderhagen Road vs Section 12 Road. The Road Commission wanted to do Section 12 Rd first, but the Township Board decided Vanderhagen Road was the road that the PAZER system stated was in worse condition. The Board unanimously recommended that Vanderhagen Road is the road to be repaired.

Treasurer: It was reported that the newsletter will be sent out shortly. A notice will be placed in the Daily Globe in regards to the Townships roadside cleanup for the dates of May 4th through May 8th. Citizens may pick up bags and gloves from the township office. The township rummage sale will be September 12th that information will be included in the upcoming newsletter. A motion made by Salmi, supported by Maki to accept this date for such sale. Motion carried.

Utility Delinquency Report: There were 14 shut off notices, 8 citizens came in to settle them.

Clerk: Salmi requested the new clerk Mary Segalin be paid for training for the week of 4/19/15-4/25/15 and 4/26/15-5/2/15. A motion made by DeRosso supported by Brunello to allow Segalin to be paid for training. Motion carried. Segalin will be sworn in by April 30, 2015 to act as the new Township Clerk.

Trustee: Maki reported that there will be a Farmer's Market organizational meeting on April 30 at 6:30 pm.

Fire Department: Chief Carlson was asking if the board could help with funding/grants for new township fire numbers. The board said they would contact MTA to find out how to purchase the fire numbers at little cost. The fire department would like them to be 6x12, red and reflective.

Public comment: (3 minute limit): A citizen stated she was proud of the board for making the right decision on the library issue that it was a financially responsible decision.

Adjournment: A motion made by Brunello and supported by Maki to adjourn meeting at 6:55 pm. The motion carried.

Alan Baron, Supervisor

Gayla Salmi, Clerk