

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
July 23, 2018**

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

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

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Sandy Lahtinen, Joe Rohde, Fire Chief-Scott Carlson, Dave Kinnunen, Ron Jacobson, Darrin Kimbler, and LeRoy Johnson.

Amendments to Agenda: Old Business: Cemetery Lease with Mike Foley update, baseball field resurface with clay update and new fire numbers update. New Business: Road Millage Renewal. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Segalin to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Public Comment: (3 minute limit). None

Consent Agenda: Minutes from July 9, 2018 Regular Meeting was presented. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-43926-43959 - \$34,742.54, Water Fund- 8880- 8888- \$177,063.49, Wastewater Fund- 1827 & 1828- \$22,195.82.

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: None

Old Business: Lyons questioned if the contract for the Cemetery Leas with Foley has been signed yet. Boyd stated not at this time. Boyd stated he hopes by the end of August 2018 the clay will be applied to the baseball field behind the Township building. He is waiting on others that are also getting clay to get it scheduled. It was suggested new fire numbers be purchased and replaced in the Township starting in 2019, as it needs to be future budgeted for. UPCAP sent plans for the renovation on the Milltrace Apartments. They have till the end of October 2018 to start the project. Only minor repairs have been done so far.

Communications: A notice of delinquency from the Mi. Dept. of Treasury was presented to the board as the 2015,2016 and 2017 audits are not completed yet.

The Zoning administrator's log for May and June were given to the board for their review. Boyd forwarded the bill and letter from Ironwood Area Schools to Attorney McDonald for the shortfalls from the criminal case.

A letter from the Gogebic Conservation District on invasive species was received and is available at the township office.

A list of contacts was given to the Board for anyone desiring to contact the State legislatures concerning the closure of the Ojibway Correctional facility.

Supervisor Boyd handed out the Summerfest 2018 flyer that is scheduled for August 18, 2018 at the Airport Park for the Boards review.

A motion was made Lyons supported by Graser to place all correspondence on file.
Motion carried.

New Business: Graser presented information from Tri-State Business Systems for a larger shredder. After discussion it was tabled due to the board wanting more information on a service coming in and do our shredding and to check to see if we purchase one it comes with a service contract. Graser will present more info at the next meeting. A motion was made by Michaels supported by Saari to table the discussion of a new shredder until the next board meeting. A motion was made Lyons supported by Brunello to approve the election inspectors for the August 7, 2018 primary; Caitlyn Zimmer, John Kevan, Brenda Hannu, Amy Noren, JoAnne Carlson, Lynn Coron. Motion carried. There is an upcoming position to be filled for the Township Planning Commission seat. If anyone is interested, please submit your letter of interest to the Supervisor Boyd before July 28, 2018.

The Township will be aiding PAUD with maintenance issues. For that, the Township will need an on-call person to cover the hours for this position. Boyd will be submitting a job description to the board for approval to hire.

A road millage renewal is being discussed to be placed on the November 2018 ballot. More information will be available at the August 13, 2018 regular board meeting.

**Reports:
Supervisor:**

Boyd reported he went to the following meetings: Wellhead Protection, Prevent Ojibway Closure, Gogebic County Board, Brownfield Development, Board of Review, Copperwood Mine Permit Public Hearing, Powderhorn Area Utility District and meeting with Senator Casperson regarding Ojibway Possible Closure.

Issues from last meeting:

Boyd is still waiting for response from Giovanonis and Lindquist Electric for the LED lights. He stated he did receive a bid from another out of state vendor who just happened to come into the office.

Lost Lake Dock Condition: Mary and I went out to inspect conditions at Lost Lake Park. Boyd had the summer workers address issues such as painting of benches, buildings and other maintenance concerns. Further improvements will need to be addressed.

Treasurer: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to place the Treasurer' Report for June 2018 on file. Motion carried.

Clerk: A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to place the Financial Statements for June 2018 on file. Motion carried.

Boyd was asked if he will request Randy Scott from C2aE to attend the next Board Meeting to update the board on the SAW grant recommendations for increasing sewer rates.

Trustees:

Brunello-Attended the Gogebic Range Water Authority meeting.

Lyons – Attended a Powderhorn Area Utility District meeting.

Michaels-Nothing to report

Saari- Reported that Solid Waste Authority bought 2 new garbage trucks. She is also requested another tire grant be sought for next summer jointly with other municipalities.

Fire Department: Chief Carlson said they had 2 fire calls this past month. He is also requesting permission for the Fire Dept. to attend the Gogebic County Fair for the mud runs and the rodeo. He also said they will be putting on a “Jaws of Life” demonstration during the Fair. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Segalin to allow the Fire Dept. to attend the fair. Motion carried.

Closed Session: None

Public Comment: (3 minute limit). A citizen had concerns of the millage proposal, and asked how people are going to afford this. She had also wondered if and when the Township is reimbursed for the stolen monies, where the money will go to. Boyd stated it will go to the County, Schools and other entities that were affected in the criminal case.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Lyons supported by Michaels to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. Motion carried.

Steve Boyd, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk