

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
July 24, 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, Bernie Brunello

Absent: Marlene Saari

Also Present: Lynn Coron- Deputy Clerk, Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Joe Rohde, George Kivi, Ginger Kivisto, Mark McDonald- Township Attorney, Sandy Lahtinen, Darrin Kimbler, Kim Pelkola, Ron Jacobson, Forrest Kivisto, Rich Jenkins.

Public Comment: None

Amendments to Agenda: New Business: Pop machine contract, Audit service payment-State of MI., Communications: DNR- 3 Parcels, Charter Communications rate increase. Under Appearances, remove James Simmons from agenda.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Minutes: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Lyons to accept the July 10, 2017 minutes as amended. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-42762-42804-\$48,929.18 (void Ch. No.42769 for \$395.99), Water Fund – 8756-8762- \$48,148.21, Waste Water Fund- 1764-1766- \$1,450.44. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Brunello to accept the bills and salaries as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Saari: Absent

Appearances: None

Old Business: The Union contract was discussed. There were still some unanswered questions concerning part time hours, job descriptions, etc. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to table the contract until Boyd contacts Murphy about the questions. Motion carried.

Communications: A motion was made by Segalin supported by Brunello to place the Rate increase from Charter Communications and DNR Hearing on 3 parcels of land on September 12, 2017 at 9 am at the Bessemer Courthouse on file. Motion carried.

New Business: A motion was made by Michaels supported by Brunello to adopt Resolution 2017-13- General Fund Budget Amendment. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Saari absent. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to approve Segalin to pay the MI State Audit- \$18,400.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Saari absent. After the board reviewed the bids from various vending machine businesses, a motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to sign the contract with North star Beverage to provide two pop machines for the Twp. resident's use. One will be at the Airport park pavilion during the summer months and one will remain in the back foyer to the gym all year long.

Reports:

Supervisor: Boyd stated that there will be NO fall clean-up this fall, due to impending costs to the township for budgetary reasons. The pipe inspection of our water lines in the Township was cut short due to other emergency obligations, but they checked the major pipes in the Township, and found no irregularities. The Township will have no cost for this inspection due to an incomplete task. The forensic auditors from Plante Moran will be here next week to continue their work on the audit. Boyd will be contacting the Road Commission to find out when they will be finishing Sunset Rd repairs by Section 12 Rd.

Treasurer: Graser presented the Treasurer’s Report for June 30, 2017.

Clerk: Segalin presented the Clerks’ June 30, 2017 financial reports.

Trustees: Brunello reported from the meeting of Gogebic Range Water Authority that the Bessemer water/sewer system is near completion. Lyons reported the Park and Recs committee met. They are going to fill in the baseball field behind the offices with more gravel/dirt. Michaels stated she attended the pretrial hearing.

Fire Department: None

Public Comment: (3 minute limits) none

Closed Session:

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to enter into closed session to discuss legal matters. There will be no action taken in closed session. Motion carried at 6:16 pm.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to go back into open session at 7:01 pm. Motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn at 7:02 pm. Motion carried.

Steve Boyd, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk