

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
July 13, 2015**

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

Roll Call: Supervisor Alan Baron, Treasurer Jyl Olson-Derosso, Clerk Mary Segalin

Trustees: Kevin Lyons, Kathy Maki, Bernie Brunello

Absent: Steve Boyd

Also Present: Sandy Lahtinen, Kim Pelkola, Joe Rohde, Scott Carlson- Fire Chief,
Lynn Coron, Darrin Kimbler

Public Comment: None

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

Consent Agenda: A motion made by Brunello supported by DeRosso to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Appearances: None

Old Business: None

New Business: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Maki to pay the \$663.00 bill for the Townships portion of energy charges from GIWWA Budget amendment due to water left running. Motion carried.

A citizen had asked any member from the township board would be willing to sit on the committee supporting proposals for forest funding. A motion made by Lyons and supported by Maki for Segalin to apply to be part of that committee.

A motion was made by DeRosso and supported by Brunello to adopt the policy for AMAR and complying with state proposals. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Lyons to accept the resignation of Faith Newberry as a member of the Planning Commission, effective as of July 13, 2015. Motion carried.

Communications: The Farmers market report a very successful first night last Tuesday, July 7, 2015.

Reports:

Supervisor: The Airport Park is short of wood fiber chips to complete the playground area. A motion made by Brunello supported by Segalin to order 30 more yds. to finish filling the playground. The total cost for the additional chips will be \$795.00. Motion carried.

Baron also reported the fire house has been inspected for safety for allowing the fire trucks to be parked in there. The inspection concluded the fire house is not designed to hold that amount of weight and has recommended that one of the tanker trucks be relocated immediately. Discussion was had by the board as to where to store the trucks as they need to be in a dry, heated space.

Treasurer: DeRosso reported that Shoots and Ladders are current thru June with their payments from their loan from the Special Grants Fund. River Valley Bank will be picking up the check reader machine from the Treasurer's Office. Discussion of the new Fire numbers will be put in the next meeting agenda – to be ordered, prices, special assessment-cost.

Clerk: BS&A cemetery program is now active and data is being entered. Mapping will also be available soon as part of the program. The new phone system is having some issues- Segalin has contacted Solutions Telecommunications for resolution.

Trustee: Maki had also reported that the Farmers Market was successful. 4H members will be serving healthy smoothies at July 14, 2015, Farmers Market as part of the wellness series. Maki had also stated she felt the motions being made in "Reports" should be added as items on the agenda, not to be making motions in reports. Lyons was asking for an update on Mike Foleys contract and if the bill has been paid for the lease on the cemetery.

Fire Department: Chief Carlson reported that they will be having a practice burn on Saturday, July 18, 2015 on Section 12 Rd. Questions were raised about the safety of burning a structure that possibly has asbestos in it. Carlson will check with the MTA for some guidelines. Carlson also reported that there are 13 active Township Firefighters on the roster.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to allow the practice burn on Section 12 Road of an abandoned old home that is partially caved in. Motion carried.

Public comment: (3 minute limit): A citizen wanted to know who is updating the website, stating it needs updating.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by DeRosso to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm. Motion carried.

Alan Baron, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk