

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
July 27, 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, Trustee and Scott Carlson, Fire Chief

Also Present: Sandy Lahtinen, Kim Pelkola, Joe Rohde, Lynn Coron, Darrin Kimbler

Public Comment: A citizen mentioned how nice the farmers market is and how helpful the Bessemer Library was- she was able to sign up for a library card and to check out books there.

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

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

Appearances: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Discussion was held in regards to having the cemetery mapping with GIS for the new software program that is being implemented for the Township. It was noted that when the cemetery was mapped in 1975, Coleman Engineering prepared the blueprints. A proposal was drafted to have Coleman update the blueprints with GIS mapping to be incorporated into the new software. The cost for the mapping will be \$2,000. The funding will come out of the cemetery equipment budget; some money may be used from the townhall and/or perpetual care budgets if needed not to exceed \$500. A motion was made by Lyons and supported by DeRosso to approve the GIS mapping be done. Motion carried.

Clerk Segalin reported the pine trees on the cemetery outline are getting to get overgrown and the workers suggested every other tree be removed. Segalin was asked to provide prices at the next board meeting for tree removal. It was also suggested that some wind bearing trees be planted; Darrin Kimbler will get a list together as to what trees would be best for that area.

Baron asked for a motion for the removal and replacement the front sidewalk on the south office entrance, as it is not ADA approved and it has become unsafe. A motion made by Brunello supported by Segalin for the repairs. Motion carried.

Baron requested authorization to sign the DNR grant extension for the Airport Road Park. Motion made by Maki supported by DeRosso for Baron to sign the extension. Motion carried.

DeRosso asked for permission to hire Dean and Pope Attorneys for striking unpaid personal property taxes for 2009 from the delinquent tax roll. The Townships portion of the total cost will be approximately \$250, as the cost will be spent with all other municipalities in Gogebic County. A motion made by Maki and supported by Maki and supported by Brunello. Motion carried.

Two candidates, Sandy Lahtinen and Beverly Michaels, applied for the seat on the Planning Commission that was vacated by Faith Newberry due to her relocation outside of the Township. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to appoint both applicants to the Planning Commission as state law reads the board can be made of 5 to 9 members. The motion carried. After further discussion, that motion was rescind by Brunello supported by Segalin. A new motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to have Sandy Lahtinen be appointed to the Planning Commission to fill the vacated seat on the Commission and to have Beverly Michaels serve as an alternate to the Planning Commission. The motion carried.

Communications: None

Reports:

Supervisor: Baron presented the board with an ad for the Daily Globe, to publish the Ironwood Township info. The board declined the ad; the Township has a website to advertise. Baron also asked permission from the board to allow Fire Chief-Scott Carlson to have two fire trucks at the Gogebic County fair in case of emergency. A motion made by Lyons supported by DeRosso to allow the fire trucks be brought to the Gogebic County fairgrounds. The motion carried.

Baron also reported the need of a culvert replacement on the south west entrance on Lake Road coming into the Township building. Baron will get pricing on getting the culvert replaced and blacktopped.

C2AE submitted the cost to do an evaluation the Fire Dept. garage floor for safety. It will be within the next month. The cost for this is \$2,200. A motion made by Segalin and supported by Brunello to hire C2AE to perform the safety evaluation. Motion carried.

Treasurer: DeRosso reported that the fire numbers can be attached to the winter taxes as a Special Assessment and can be installed in the spring/summer/fall of 2016. The process for payment of the new fire numbers will be done by setting up a Special Assessment District on the Winter 2015 Taxes. The Special Assessment process needs two special hearings, two notices in the newspaper along with individual mailings to the residents of the Township to notify them of the Special Assessment. She will be working with Attorney Mark McDonald to make sure this process is legally presented.

Clerk: Segalin requested the board to make a salary amendment to be reimbursed for her health care that she has paid out of pocket from the time she was appointed till she was able to join the new health care program. The board asked that she prepare a salary resolution for the next meeting for consideration.

Trustee:

Fire Department:

Public comment: (3 minute limit)

Adjournment: A motion was made by Maki supported by Brunello to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm. Motion carried.

Alan Baron, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk