Charter Township of Ironwood Regular Meeting January 22, 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: Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Darrin Kimbler, LeRoy Johnson, Michael

Carlson, Lewis Somero, Zak Brentar, Nicole Pietila, Karen Ransanici.

Amendments to Agenda: None

**Boyd presented Fire Chief Carlson and Fire Fighter Lewis Somero with appreciation plaques for the Fire at Wildwood Apts. for extraordinary life- saving efforts.

Public Comment: (3 min. limit-agenda items only) None

Minutes: Regular Meeting January 8, 2018. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to accept the Regular minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-43360-43390- Totaling \$47,489.57, Water Fund-8828-Totaling \$668.48, Wastewater Fund- 1792- Totaling \$1,600.83.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

A question about the Daily Globe invoice amount was asked- why the amount was so high. Segalin stated it was because of the weekly ad for winter parking. It has been changed to a once a month ad. Boyd will be checking on the rules for such advertising for winter parking. It was also discussed that the VISA bills be copied for the board, for reference of what has been purchased through the credit cards.

Appearances: Darrin Kimbler reported on the PC Master Survey results. Out of approximately 1100 surveys mailed, 250 were filled out and returned by the deadline. A citizen had commented on the Med. Marijuana issue. Pros: increase in revenue for our area, increase in tourism, agricultural product, manufacturing jobs, highly regulated.

Old Business: The final personnel policy manual was presented to the board. The board discussed additions to the manual: smoking rules around Twp. equipment, smoking in designated areas for full-time employees. A revised copy will be presented at the next meeting.

Communications: A motion was made by Lyons supported by Saari to place the MDOT Five-Year Transportation plan on file. Motion carried.

New Business: The Credit Card limit increase was discussed. Boyd will be checking on the resolution-Rates, emergent use vs. non-emergent use.

Reports:

Supervisor: 1-22-18 Supervisor Comments

<u>Meetings attended</u>: Policy Committee, County Board of Commissioners, GRWA, Meeting on impact of new City of Ironwood Water Main, Annual meeting of the Road Commission to discuss 2018-21 Projects, PAUD, Brownfield, GIW, GIW Saw grant workshop

<u>Road Issues</u>: At the annual meeting, discussions were had on planned construction and repair projects through 2021. There was also discussion about allocating any funds not yet realized, such as if a national infrastructure plan is enacted.

<u>Issues from Previous Meeting</u>: We received two additional applications for the on-call maintenance position. We decided at this time not to hire an on-call employee and wait to hire the normal part time seasonal worker for the summer as usual. Should an emergency arise, we will exercise normal protocols in requesting assistance from neighborly entities.

<u>Other</u>: I received a notice from the court about a plea hearing scheduled for March 16. This represents the last possible date for a plea deal prior to any trial unless this date is changed.

At this time I would like to take the time to honor two members of our fire department for their unusual dedication during the recent Wildwood fire. Scott Carlson and Lewis Somoro were first on the scene. Upon breaking into the locked room where the fire was raging, they discovered an unconscious person. With the door now open, outside air rushed in and the fire reignited. While one of them kept the fire at bay, the other took off his respirator and placed it over the unconscious victim. Their combined actions and quick thinking stopped the fire from spreading, and more importantly, saved a life. At this time Ironwood Township would like to acknowledge their bravery, dedication, and professionalism.

Treasurer: Issued two sewer credits according to the Ordinance, due to empty homes with water leaks. Graser presented the board with the Treasurers' report. Lyons requested a 2017 breakdown of water, sewer, and garbage- what was billed out, what was collected in, amount owed out, and totals for each account.

Clerk: Segalin presented the board with the bank reconciliations Clerk vs. Treasurer for Dec. 2017.

Trustees: Saari reported that the Roosevelt all class reunion will be on Aug.4, 2018 at the

Memorial Building from 3pm-10pm.

Fire Department: None

Public Comment: (3 minute limit): Fire Chief Carlson thanked for the board for his recognition in the Wildwood Fire.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm. Motion carried.

Steve Boyd, Supervisor Mary Segalin, Clerk