

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
December 12, 2016**

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

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

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Joe Rohde, Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Kim Pelkola, Ron Jacobson, Rich Jenkins, Lynn Coron-Deputy Clerk, Sandy Lahtinen, James Simmons, and Linda Ellos.

Public Comment: A citizen asked why the staff is allowed to be here alone in the office. Suggested two people are here at all times.
Supervisor asked when the board goes into closed session; the public not go into the public officials offices-personal items in them.

Amendments to Agenda: New Business- Closed session concerning personal and legal matters. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Minutes: Regular Meeting November 28, 2016.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-42008-42056-\$46,778.79, Water fund- 8673-8678-\$7,354.35, Wastewater fund- 1725-1728-\$13,642.87.

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

Appearances: None

Old Business: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to allow the hiring of a part time worker back on the table. Motion carried. Boyd has decided to keep the part time worker on through the end of the year, due to lead maintenance man taking 2 weeks' vacation. Boyd also stated there is a lot of work he can help with- meter changes, extra work at Walmart. It was also discussed we need to post the job- it may be an on-call job. Boyd will be talking to Jean Verbos, with the Gogebic Range Water Authority, to see if she has any manpower available to offer our maintenance staff if help when an emergency occurs. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Lyons to have Boyd continue with a 6 month time study to determine the need for an additional part time employee. Segalin abstained. Motion carried.

Communications: None

New Business: A motion was made by Segalin supported by Brunello to authorize Boyd to sign the Resolution 2016-19 Saw Grant Agreement. Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept Resolution 2016-20-Designation of Depository for Tax Fund. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to have the Water/ Sewer Access points be secured with locks. Motion carried.

Brunello was added to the union contract negotiations committee.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to accept the appointments to committees as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lyons supported by Segalin to appoint Marlene Saari to the Planning Commission Board. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lyons supported by Saari to allow BS&A purchase of cash receipting portion of computer program for the Treasurer's Office and to allow BS&A to come and link all of the programs together. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to go into Closed Session at 6:05 pm. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to leave Closed Session at 6:26 pm. Motion carried.

Reports:

Supervisor: The State Auditor has been requesting additional info from the office staff. The report should be done soon. There are 26 broken water meters, with 3 being fixed already. The sign for the Lake Road Spring will be in this week. Shoots and Ladders are all caught up on their payments-Boyd will be talking with them this week to figure out if they can close on their loan by Feb. 2017. Boyd will be checking to see if there is extra liability when having a juvenile worker (community service) here. Nasi roofing will be here this week to put the new roof on the garage.

Treasurer: Graser attended training at the City of Ironwood on the BS&A programs. Graser was excited to get the cash receipting implemented, as it will save time and possible errors. We also will have a "work order" book for the guys to follow-better communication and work history.

Clerk: 3rd quarter financials were presented for General, Water & Wastewater Funds.

Trustees: None

Fire Department: Chief Carlson reported the department had 2 call outs; one at the airport for fire security and one for a lost hunter thru search and rescue in Watermeet area. This Saturday, Dec. 17, 2016, the Department is putting on the annual Christmas for Kids at the Township Hall.

Public Comment: (3 minute limit): A citizen stated it is illegal to have an alternate to the PC Board. Brunello is no longer an alternate to PC board.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm. Motion carried.

Steve Boyd, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk