

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
Monday June 10, 2019**

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

Roll Call: Lynn Coron, Deputy Clerk, Maria Graser Treasurer

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

Absent: James Simmons Jr-Supervisor, Mary Segalin-Clerk

Amendment to mins: A motion made by Brunello supported by Michaels to allow Lyons to chair the meeting as the Supervisor is absent. Motion carried.

Also Present: Joe Rohde, LeRoy Johnson, Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Ron Jacobson, Lynn Coron-Deputy Clerk, Loretta Crystal, Nick Kramen, Robert Hill, George Kivi and Brittany Blaszak.

Public Comment: (3 minute limits) Citizens had comments on: When the Marijuana Ordinance will be done-Lyons stated there will be an update at the next meeting. A Citizen is having concerns over the herbicides that are supposed to be applied to the drainage ditches in Ironwood Township, hoping the Township can do something to stop this action.

Amendments to Agenda: New Business: New lift station lid needed, Gogebic Community College drive sewer repair/replacement and paper folder quote. A motion made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Saari supported by Michaels to accept the minutes as presented from the Regular Meeting on May 28, 2019. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-#44914-44951- \$13,971.73, Water Fund- #8999-9002-\$5,302.56, Wastewater Fund- #1881-1883- \$11,841.47. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Appearances: None

Old Business: A quote for the LED lighting was presented with no new updates. Graser will try to get updated bids for the next meeting.

In regards to the Broadband internet, there is nothing new to report.

Communications: A letter from Attorney Mark McDonald was presented to the board concerning the GCC/ Fitting sewer line. Lyons suggested obtaining more info from the college and how and when they hooked up to the sewer.

The 2019 Delta Dental contract was presented with no new changes to the policy. A motion was made by Michaels supported by Graser to accept and place all communications on file. Motion carried.

New Business: Pest Control was discussed for the garage located across the street from the Townhall. Plunketts quoted a price of \$25 per month to Service the garage. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to allow Plunkett's to do pest control in the garage, as the budget will allow for this. Motion carried on roll call vote.

A motion was made by Saari supported by Graser to adopt Resolution 2019-006 Public Posting Places in the Township with the only change being the Civic Center to the Lindquist Center. Motion carried.

Graser obtained bids from a few different companies for an automatic paper folder to aid folding taxes, the Township newsletter and assessing notices, as they are being done in house now. The most cost efficient automatic paper folder was from Sam's Club for \$998. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to allow the purchase of the automatic paper folder from Sam's Club with half the amount being paid from the Townhall equipment fund and half from the Treasurer's equipment fund. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Graser reported the maintenance men said approximately 180' of sewer main has collapsed on GCC Drive and needs replacing. They estimate it will cost \$2,000-\$2,500 for repairs. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to solicit bids for the repairs. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to allow the maintenance men to spend up to \$2,000 for a sewer lift station lid as the company that supplies them hadn't faxed over the cost of one before the meeting. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

It is urgent that one be ordered as the guys have to hang on to it in order to climb down the ladder to check the lift stations. A Motion was made by Saari supported by Brunello that a long term Township Improvement List/ Capital Improvement List be made and Supervisor Simmons is to schedule a committee meeting to discuss such matters before the next meeting. Motion carried.

Reports:

Supervisor: Graser read Simmons notes:

- Bernie and I had a meeting on Thursday, June 6th at the Road Commission with Barry Bolich and Phil Strong. Discussed our concern with a few different roads including Vanderhagen Road. A strategy of doing certain sections first so they don't have to be redone. Bernie can discuss this in detail. Also, Barry and Phil are willing to assist us with our five-year road plan in an advisory capacity. The Road Commission is looking for grants to help Ironwood Township on existing roads that are heavily used.
- Currently reviewing the Capital Improvement Plan and will meet with the committee on a date to be determined.
- A priority remains to get the whole tax settlement issue behind us. This will be done sooner rather than later.
- I have reviewed the Attorney General's opinion from 2009 which is ten years ago, there are different views coming from the Michigan Township Association. It is important to note that as Attorney General opinion is advisory only and is not binding in a court of law. Attorney General opinions are not a substitute for the advice and counsel of the attorneys who represent governmental agencies and officials on a day-to-day basis. In short, I continue to state that I am working for \$1.00
- I met with Sheriff Matonich in regards to marijuana ordinance for review /guidance.

Treasurer: The spring cleanup was this past Saturday, June 8, 2019. It was very busy and successful. Graser will be working on getting the Summer Taxes out by July 1, 2019.

Clerk: None

Trustees:

Michaels: None

Saari: Stated the Gogebic Range Solid Waste Authority is looking to hire two new replacement drivers.

Brunello: Will be attending a Gogebic Range Water Authority meeting on Thursday.

Lyons: Will be attending a Powderhorn Area Utility District meeting next week.

Fire Dept.: Chief Carlson stated there is 2 new firefighters, as they passed all their testing.

Public Comment: It was asked if we could put the herbicide info on the website- we will check into this to see if it's allowed.

Closed Session: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 pm. Motion carried.

Kevin Lyons, Trustee and Acting Chair

Mary Segalin, Clerk

Charter Township of Ironwood
RESOLUTION 2019-006
PUBLIC POSTING LOCATIONS

Therefore be it resolved, that the following locations be designated as locations for posting notices and minutes for the Charter Township of Ironwood Board of Trustees:

Forslund's Building Supply- Lake Road
Gogebic Community College Jackson Road
Lindquist Center- GCC
Hautala's Bar Lake Road
Rick's Muffler Center
Township Hall
www.ironwoodtownship.com

A motion was made by _____ Supported by _____ to designate the above locations for posting notices and minutes of the Charter Township of Ironwood.

The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES:

NAY: _____

ABSENT: _____

I, Mary Segalin, duly elected and qualified Clerk of the Charter Township of Ironwood, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 2019-006 Public Posting Location Resolution was adopted by the Township Board of the said Township at the Regular Meeting of the said Board held on June 10, 2019, at which meeting a quorum was present, by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that the said resolution was ordered to take effect on January 1, 2019.

Mary Segalin, Clerk