

**Charter Township of Ironwood**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday October 15, 2019**

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

**Roll Call:** Jim Simmons-Supervisor, Mary Segalin-Clerk, Maria Graser-Treasurer

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

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, LeRoy Johnson- Zoning Administrator, George Kivi, Ron Jacobson, Brett Imwalle and Joe Rohde.

**Public Comment: (3 minute limits)** None

**Amendments to Agenda:** Old Business: Garbage Ordinances, New Business: Ruotsala Construction- gym quotes, LW Allen- Grinder pump quote. A motion was 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 Special Meeting/Budget Workshop and the Regular Meeting on October 15, 2019. Motion carried.

**Bills and Salaries:** General Fund-#45287-45356- \$72,940.16, Water Fund- #9035-9044- \$22,793.59, Wastewater Fund- #1903 & 1904- \$11,539.37. A motion was made by Michaels supported by Saari to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote. All ayes.

**Appearances:** None

**Old Business:** The board hasn't heard anything new from Mark McDonald –Township attorney, in regards to the Lake Rd Spring.

A motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to authorize Supervisor Simmons to sign the BS&A contract. Training and data conversion will begin in the spring of 2020. The cost for 2019 will be \$10,750, with a cost of \$11,020 in 2020 and \$18,145 in 2021 respectively. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The Garbage Ordinances were distributed to the board for their review, in hopes to combine all ordinance and their amendments into one new ordinance. Zoning administrator Johnson is working on the rewrites, with Trustee Saari offering her assistance.

**Communications:** The Michigan PAR Plan Report from risk management was given to the board for their review.

The request for a no passing zone/speed limit issue on Lake Rd. continues to be discussed between the Gogebic County Road Commission and Supervisor Simmons, with no definite answer yet. A motion was made by Graser supported by Michaels to place all communications on file. Motion carried.

**New Business:** A motion was made by Segalin supported by Brunello to place the completed 2016 Audit on file. Motion carried.

Ruotsala Construction gave proposals for- Capping off the chimney, building wooden steps by East gym door, rewiring for lighting and fans in the gym, and also running wires for speakers for future use. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to authorize Simmons to sign such proposals to finalize the gym repairs. Motion carried.

The grinder pump at the lift station at the Wildwood Apts. broke. A motion was made by Segalin supported by Brunello to authorize the purchase from LW Allen for the new pump. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

## **Reports:**

### **Supervisor:**

1. Attended Gogebic Range Water Authority meeting. They are authorized to replace all lead and copper lines with 20 years to complete.
2. The 2017 audit is in progress with Auditor Ahonen.
3. Capital Improvement Committee will be meeting again before the next Board meeting.
4. The new on-call maintenance person, Jeff Anderson, is doing very well on the job.
5. Things are moving forward with the joint lawsuit.
6. Nasi Roofing should be starting on the Fire Department roof soon.

**Treasurer:** There have been many questions concerning the installation of the new fire numbers. The maintenance men have been busy with other projects but are hoping to get to them in the spring of 2020. The tax data base will be available soon on our website.

**Clerk:** A lot of flowers and shepherds hooks left in the cemetery, the maintenance men will be cleaning them up soon. Segalin will be attending MTA training in Houghton on Tuesday, October 22.

### **Trustees:**

Brunello- Reported the greenhouse that was for sale at the Wastewater plant sold.

Lyons- No report

Michaels- Attended the Capital Improvement Committee meeting.

Discussion was held in regards to SB 431/mining bill. A motion was made by Michaels supported by Saari to send a letter to Sen McBroom opposing SB 431- mining bill. Motion carried. Simmons will write letter to McBroom.

Saari- Attended the Capital Improvement Community meeting.

**Fire Dept.:** No report

**Public Comment:** A citizen had sent a FOIA request on Sept. 12, 2019 and was wondering why it hasn't been addressed yet. Simmons stated that it has been forwarded to the Attorney.

**Closed Session:** None

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 pm. Motion carried.

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**James Simmons, Supervisor**

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**Mary Segalin, Clerk**