

**Charter Township of Ironwood  
Regular Meeting  
September 11, 2017**

A moment of silence was recognized in memory of 9/11.

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

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

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

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Joe Rohde, Linda Ellos, Kim Pelkola, Kathy Maki, Laurie Soltis, Deborah Fergus, Peggy Krone, Brenda Aili-Angus and Rich Jenkins.

Boyd reminded the audience of the 3 minute limit on public comment and that the meetings are for the board to conduct township business. There is a public comment at the beginning of meeting for Agenda Items Only and at the end of the meeting for Non Agenda Items Only.

**Public Comment:** Agenda Items Only -None

**Amendments to Agenda:** To amend the agenda to move closed session after the last public comment on the agenda. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the amended agenda as presented. Motion carried.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Saari to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**Bills and Salaries:** A motion was made by Saari and supported by Brunello to accept the bills and salaries as presented.

**Appearances:** None

**Old Business:** None

**Communications:** The Township Assessor, Dave Hardie, responded to the AMAR review via letter.

USDA- Forest service letter was to inform the public of motorized trails in all counties. Supervisor Boyd has a copy of the USDA mapping in his office for public view.

Plante Moran sent an updated bill for services for the forensic audit. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Saari to place all correspondence on file. Motion carried.

**New Business:** The August 2017 Zoning Log was given in writing to the board by Leroy Johnson, Zoning Administrator for their information. He will be giving a monthly report to the Board.

The 2017 tax rate request had no changes for winter tax rates for Ironwood Township. It's only for millage, operational costs and roads. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to authorize necessary signatures on the tax rate request form. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

**Reports:**

**Supervisor:** Boyd informed the public that the Township hydrant flushing will commence on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup> with the GRWA. Some water discoloration may occur. Blacktopping and repairs to Section 12 and Vanderhagen roads are to be completed this month by the Road Commission.

**Treasurer:** A citizen had asked when and if the center lines can be repainted on Margaret Street and Vanderhagen Road. Supervisor Boyd will ask the Road Commission if this is on the schedule and if they could be done this year if monies are available. He also stated the fog lines to be painted next year. Another citizen had asked about paperless billing. Graser will be checking on this and report back at the next meeting. Another citizen stated that her garbage could not be picked up for 3 weeks due to the road construction on Lake Rd. to Little Girls Point. She was told she could bring the garbage here to the offices or our maintenance men could pick it up. She requested a 3 week garbage credit. Graser will check with the Gogebic Range Solid Waste if they will issue the Township a credit.

**Clerk:** There were 27 utility shut off notices for water and sewer billings this month, 10 of which are already shut off. Segalin reminded the public to remove flowers from the cemetery by September 30, 2017.

**Trustees:** None

**Fire Department:** Carlson reported that the "Fill the Boot" campaign raised \$2,100 for the MDA. The money is sent to MDA.

**Public Comment: (3 minute limits)** A citizen had commented on how she doesn't understand what the board is talking about due to citizens do not get a full board packet while attending the meeting. Another citizen had commented on how she believes the elected officials are being paid illegally due to they are already being paid for 40 hrs. a week and also getting paid additionally for utility billing, that is part of their statutory duties and that they are double dipping. Boyd requested a copy of her letter so he can respond to her concerns. Another citizen came in to pay her taxes and found the Deputy Clerk manning the window as the Treasurer and Secretary were on vacation. She did not pay her taxes at that time.

**Closed Session:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to enter into closed session for personal matters at 6:01 pm. Motion carried. A motion was made by Michaels supported by Graser to enter into regular session at 6:27 pm. Motion carried. No action taken in the closed session.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn at 6:27pm. Motion carried.

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**Steve Boyd, Supervisor**

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**Mary Segalin, Clerk**