

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting
Monday July 8, 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

Absent: Marlene Saari

Also Present: Joe Rohde, Scott Carlson-Fire Chief, Ron Jacobson, Kim Pelkola, Jim Schmitz, Adam Graser.

Public Comment: (3 minute limits) A citizen (a member on the Recreational marijuana committee) hopes the Board doesn't vote to adopt ordinance 57 and listed reasons why.

Amendments to Agenda: None. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to accept the minutes as presented from the Regular Meeting on June 25, 2019. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-#44980-45031- \$25,016.47, Water Fund- #9004-9012- \$145,596.68, Wastewater Fund- #1886- \$618.72. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Segalin to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Appearances: None

Old Business: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Michaels to adopt Ordinance 57- Prohibiting recreational marijuana establishments in the Township. The board reminded the audience that the ordinance can be amended in the future after the State rules and regulations are established. Motion carried on a roll call vote-All ayes.

Graser suggested LED Flashing stop signs to help at problem intersections. Graser reported the flashing stop signs will cost \$1386 a pc. They are solar paneled. After much discussion the board agreed to purchase 4 flashing stop signs to try and prevent traffic accidents on the intersections of Lake/Airport and Jackson/ Lake. The Gogebic County Road Commission will be installing them. A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to allow Graser to purchase them. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Communications: A motion was made by Lyons supported by Segalin to allow Graser to sign the 2019 Ironwood Area School District Tax Collection Agreement. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Reports:

Supervisor: Simmons talked with Gus Ahonen- Township auditor, he will be in the office on Monday July 15, 2019 for the 2016 audit finalization. Barry Bolich and Phil Strong will be in the office to go over the 5 year road plan. It will be presented to the board soon. The Capital Improvement Plan committee held a meeting on July 2, the need for windows and exterior doors

were discussed. They will meet again on July 15, 2019. A Connecting Michigan Communities Grant is offering \$20 million to extend service to unserved parts of the state for broadband. Applications need to be in by August 30th, and projects need to be completed by Sept. 30, 2019.

Treasurer: The taxes were sent out by July 1, 2019. A reminder that the Airport Park Pavilion will be holding the Farmer's Market on Tuesday July 9, 2019 from 4-6pm, and every Tuesday thereafter.

Clerk: Had 13 water late payments notices sent out for utility billing. Will be out of the office all next week due to training.

Trustees: Brunello-Solid waste meeting-They have a skid steer going out for bids-minimum is \$5000. Also attending a meeting on sewer infiltration problems.

Lyons- None

Michaels: None

Saari- Absent

Fire Dept.: Chief Carlson stated the Fire Dept. had one fire call last month. The Fourth of July parades were successful.

Public Comment: Comments were made about how nice it is that the Township has the soccer field. There were also comments about recreational marijuana.

Closed Session: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Brunello supported by Graser to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 pm. Motion carried.

Jim Simmons, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk