

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 14, 2021
Time: 6:00 pm
In person meeting-Township gym**

Call to Order: 6:00 pm Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Jay Kangas- Supervisor, Maria Graser- Treasurer, Mary Segalin- Clerk

Trustees: Brenda Aili-Angus, James Simmons, Kevin Lyons, Gabe Justinak

Absent: None

Also, Present: Megan Hughes, Marlene Saari, George Kivi, Zack Marano and Brett Imwalle.

Amendments to Agenda: New Business: Resolution 2021-003- Meeting time change, Approval to pay Big Fire Apparatus bill, Increase of seasonal worker wage. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: (3-minute limit) There were no citizens who wished to address the board on the items on the agenda.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Aili-Angus supported by Lyons to accept the minutes as presented from May 24, 2021. Motion carried.

Bills and Salaries: General Fund-47123-47198, EFT 128-133- \$102,933.35, Water Fund- 9212-9218- \$9,760.81, Wastewater Fund-2007-2011-\$16,186.21. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to accept the bills and salaries as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Appearances: None

Old Business: Graser reported on Broadband updates. Gogebic County is applying for grants to help with the cost of the towers. There is a meeting at NMU in Marquette on Wednesday, concerning installing fibers in the Western UP.

The revised COVID preparedness plan was tabled due to possible new revisions needed.

New Business: A motion was made by Lyons supported by Graser to authorize the signing of the 2021 tax rate request. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Segalin supported by Justinak to adopt Resolution 2021-002- Gogebic County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Simmons supported by Lyons to increase the seasonal employee wage from \$10 to \$12 per hour- Erik Tervonen has worked for 4 years as the Township's the seasonal worker. Kangas states he has a great work ethic. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Segalin is asking for authorization to pay \$3,645.93 for a bill for the Fire Dept. vehicle repair done by Big Fire Apparatus. A motion was made by Lyons supported by Aili-Angus to authorize such payment. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Lyons supported by Aili-Angus to table the Resolution 2021-003- Board Meeting time change- from 6pm to possible 4-4:30 pm meeting time, until the next meeting. The board would like to see if any citizens have trouble attending at the earlier time.

Communications: None

Reports:

Supervisor: Kangas checked with the Insurance company concerning any problem with the Fire Dept filling of swimming pools, he stated the insurance agent said there is no problem. The Timber sale extension was signed by both parties. Park and Rec. Committee met-discussed some projects needing to be done. Don Cvengros and another citizen would like to be on the committee as well. Any citizen wishing to be on the committee is encouraged to call the office. The fire numbers are slow going at this point- MISS DIG is still limiting the amount of locates done in a day, the maintenance men are busy with burials and mowing. The Fire Dept. will be asked to help with installing the fire numbers.

Treasurer: Attended a Broadband mtg, PAUD mtg., working on the tax roll, reports that the FD received the \$3,000 grant and has ordered the new SCBAs. The fire dept. also requests new emergency lights for the hall.

Clerk: The summer has been busy with burials so far. MTA picnic is scheduled to be held at the Ramsay Park. The FD refrigerator has stopped working so they will be encouraged to seek out a new/used one. There is an unused refrigerator in the hall basement, which they can have.

Trustees:

Lyons: Asked if the solar stop sign- Vanderhagen/ Airport had been ordered or replaced yet.

Simmons: Attended a Gogebic Range Water Authority meeting, reports that he attended the Waste Water union negotiations, requested a bigger LED sign be put out front and to let the Fire Department use this smaller one.

Justinak: Stated the Planning Commission meeting may be moved from July 15 to July 8, upon approval.

Aili-Angus: Will be attending a Gogebic Range Solid Waste Meeting

Fire Dept.: No report

Public comment: A citizen addressed the board with comments on the replacement of the stop sign on Vanderhagen/Airport corner and also if the Capital Improvement Plan has been looked at further. The time change in the meeting needs to have more input from the public.

Adjournment: A motion was made Segalin supported by Aili-Angus to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 pm. Motion carried.

Jay Kangas, Supervisor

Mary Segalin, Clerk

Resolution 2021-002
Charter Township of Ironwood
Gogebic County Hazard Mitigation Plan Adoption Resolution

At its scheduled meeting on June 14, 2021, at Ironwood Township, the Charter Township of Ironwood Board adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Gogebic County, Michigan and its communities have experienced risks that may damage commercial, residential, and public properties, displace citizens and businesses, close streets and impair infrastructure, and present general public health and safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, Gogebic County and its communities have prepared a *Hazard Mitigation Plan* that outlines the community's options to reduce damages and impacts from natural and technological hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires communities to have a Hazard Mitigation Plan approved by FEMA in order to receive funds available through certain mitigation grant programs; and

WHEREAS, the *Hazard Mitigation Plan* has been reviewed by community residents, business owners, and federal, state, and local agencies, and has been revised where appropriate to reflect their concerns; and

WHEREAS, the *Hazard Mitigation Plan* identifies hazardous threats to the County and its communities with feasible mitigation projects to minimize hazardous impacts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Charter Township of Ironwood Board hereby adopts the Gogebic County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution enacted by the Charter Township of Ironwood at an official meeting held June 14, 2021.



Mary Segalin, Township Clerk

A motion was made by Segalin supported by Justinak. Motion carried upon a roll call vote:
The following voted:

Yes: Segalin, Justinak, Graser, Kangas, Lyons, Simmons, Aili-Angus

No: None

