

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2018

HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY BUILDING

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

SUPERVISOR MEL JONES CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 6 P.M.

THE BOARD AND THOSE IN ATTENDANCE RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, LED BY JACK TREGANOWAN

MEMBERS PRESENT: SUPERVISOR MEL JONES, CLERK CAROL JONES, TREASURER MARY LONG, AND TRUSTEES KATHY McEVERS AND JACK TREGANOWAN

GUESTS PRESENT: SHARON DEAL, DAN STECK, RODGER KERSHNER, STEPHANIE TEPLASETKUL, KEITH DEFORGE, URPO VUORINEN, AND JIM VIVIAN

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 REGULAR MEETING
- ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORTS – TREASURER AND CLERK
- APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR ALL FUNDS – GENERAL FUND (CH #4831 – 4847: \$7639.55)
WATER DEPARTMENT (CH #1402 – 1406: \$1376.59) CEMETERY FUND (CH# 1115 –1116: \$1166.66)
- ADOPT AGENDA FOR TONIGHT’S MEETING

MOTION BY TREGANOWAN, SECONDED BY McEVERS, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, WITH MINUTES APPROVED AS CORRECTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION BY KEITH DEFORGE – POLITICAL CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE OF PROBATE JUDGE

AUDIT REPORT – AUDIT FOR 2017/18 HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED BY SUSAN SANFORD.

BUDGET – MOTION BY LONG, SECONDED BY McEVERS, TO INCREASE LINE 751 PARKS AND REC IN THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET BY \$10, FROM \$300 TO \$310 AND TO INCREASE CEMETERY FUND WAGES BY \$200, FROM \$1300 TO \$1500. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ASSESSOR/BOARD OF REVIEW REPORT – LETTER RECEIVED BY THE BOARD FROM THE MICHIGAN STATE TREASURY STATING THAT THE AMAR REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN SATISFACTORILY MET.

WATER DEPARTMENT – WORK NEEDED TO BE DONE AT 3 RESIDENCES WILL BE DONE SOON.

MUSEUM REPORT – MUSEUM CLOSED FOR THE SEASON; THE FINAL SATURDAY HOSTED OVER 100 VISITORS.

OLD BUSINESS – STATUS OF LOTS 1,2 &3 BY THE MOUTH OF THE EAGLE RIVER – ATTORNEY RODGER KERSHNER ADVISED THE BOARD THAT THERE MAY BE 2 OPTIONS FOR DEALING WITH THE PROPERTIES: 1- REQUEST THAT THE STATE KEEP THE PROPERTY ON THE AUCTION LIST. 2- THE TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR COULD DIVIDE THE PROPERTY INTO TWO LOTS AS FOLLOWS: 1 AND 2 AS ONE PARCEL AND 3 AS THE SECOND PARCEL. RODGER WILL CONTINUE TO RESEARCH.

NEW BUSINESS –

- ORV REQUEST FROM CONTEXT SENSITIVE SOLUTIONS WAS TABLED UNTIL WE FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION.
- MOTION BY TREGANOWAN , SECONDED BY McEVERS THAT THE METRO ACT RIGHT OF WAY EXTENSION BE APPROVED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

FLOOR COMMENTS –

DAN STECK REVIEWED THE PROCESS AND PLAN TO BEGIN THE PARK PROJECT, AND REQUESTED PASS A MOTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:59 P.M.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH, 2018 AT 6 P.M.

CAROL JONES, CLERK
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP

-CERTIFICATION-

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, CAROL JONES, THE DULY QUALIFIED AND ELECTED CLERK FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HOUGHTON, KEWEENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF THE CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SAID TOWNSHIP AT A REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON THE 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018

CAROL JONES, CLERK, HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP