

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

Monday, August 17, 2020

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Mel Jones, Clerk Carol Jones, Treasurer Mary Long, and Trustee Kathy McEvers

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Jack Treganowan

GUEST PRESENT: Stephanie Tepkasetkul, Mark Bonenfant, Ken and Kathy Johnson, Tom and Elaine Hall, David Schumacher, Nora O'Brien, and Sarah Kelly

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- Approve minutes of July 20th, 2020 regular meeting
- Accept financial reports – treasurer and clerk
- Approve payment of bills for all funds – General Fund (Ch #5192 - 5213: \$13,170.29)
Water Fund (Ch #1528 - 1533: \$580.93) Park Fund (Ch #1015 – 1016: \$28,838.70)
Cemetery Fund (Ch#1132 : \$108.08) Bridge Fund - No activity
- ❖ Adopt agenda for tonight's meeting

Motion by McEvers, seconded by Long, to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

ASSESSOR/BOARD OF REVIEW – Meeting held on Tuesday, July 21st at 11:30 am – no clerical errors noted.

BUDGET AMMENDMENTS:

Motion by Kathy, seconded by Mary, to increase the General Fund line Parks and Rec (751) from \$475 to \$3475. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mary, seconded by Kathy, to increase the General Fund Insurance Line from \$2200 to \$2665. Motion passed unanimously.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT – Annual water samples have been sent in for gross alpha ad partial chemistry.

The buffalo box repair was at the property of Ken and Kathy Johnson.

OLD BUSINESS –

- ❖ Pavilion update –It may not be completed by the end of August.
- ❖ The proposed Township Square Park Ordinance - Changes discussed based on advisement of attorney Rodger Kershner. A copy of the ordinance will be sent by email to Rodger for him to edit, and then be reviewed by the board.
- ❖ Board discussed the addition of an extra dumpster. The cost would be \$550 for 2 months. Future placement of the dumpster will be considered further. For now, it will be left at the current location.

NEW BUSINESS –

- ❖ Motion by Kathy, seconded by Mary, that with written agreement from Dan Steck, the revised contract presented by Raasio be approved as well as the second payment of \$21,838.70 to be paid from the Park Fund.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- ❖ A second Blood Drive was approved to be held on September 16.
- ❖ New election procedures went well.
- ❖ Mary requested that asked if insurance and bonding were in place for the pavilion construction

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Next regular meeting – Monday, September 21, 2020 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 17th day of August, 2020.

Carol Jones, Clerk, Houghton Township Clerk