

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY BUILDING

**BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING HELD AT 5 P.M., FOLLOWED BY THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
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: DAN STECK, MIKE LAMOTTE, STEPHANIE TEPKASKETKUL AND DAVE SCHUMAKER

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 18, 2019 REGULAR BOARD MEETING.
- ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORTS – TREASURER AND CLERK
- APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR ALL FUNDS – GENERAL FUND (CH #4919 – 4934, \$4617.79)/
WATER DEPARTMENT (CH #1430-1431, \$453.31)
- ADOPT AGENDA FOR TONIGHT’S MEETING, WITH ADDITION OF DATES OF MEETINGS FOR 2019-20

MOTION BY TREGANOWAN, SECONDED BY McEVERS, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ASSESSOR’S REPORT/BOARD OF REVIEW – JOHN BOTTO MUST RESIGN, SO WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR A NEW ASSESSOR.

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS ANNOUNCED FOR MARCH.

BUDGET REPORT –

GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

- MOTION BY LONG, SECONDED BY McEVERS TO INCREASE THE ASSESSOR LINE ITEM 208 BY \$475 FROM \$4139 TO \$4369. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- MOTION BY LONG, SECONDED BY TREGANOWAN TO INCREASE THE CLERK LINE ITEM 215 BY \$230 FROM \$7787 TO \$8017. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- MOTION LONG SECONDED BY TREGANOWAN, TO INCREASE THE BOARD OF REVIEW ITEM 247 BY \$5 FROM \$1450 TO \$1455. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

WATER DEPARTMENT – MEL WILL BE ATTENDING CLASSES TO MAINTAIN HIS CERTIFICATION. A FLUME WATER USAGE DETECTOR WILL BE INSTALLED ON THE MAIN METER AT THE PUMP HOUSE ALONG WITH INTERNET SERVICE.

OLD BUSINESS –

- PURCHASE OF FIRE PROOF CABINET APPROVED
- PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MET; GOAL IS TO HAVE PARK PHASE ONE COMPLETED BY AUGUST; DAN’S NUMBERS OF FLOW RATE FOR AN EVENT (COPPER DOG) WILL BE PRESENTED; TOWNSHIP PARK WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING.

NEW BUSINESS –

MOTION BY TREGANOWAN, SECONDED BY LONG, TO RETAIN RODGER KERSHNER AS ATTORNEY, SUE SANFORD AS AUDITOR, ALLOUEZ TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR FIRE PROTECTION AND SUPERIOR NATIONAL BANK. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY LONG, SECONDED BY McEVERS THAT MEL BE AUTHORIZED TO CONSULT WITH OUR ATTORNEY REGARDING THE BEACH LAND SWAP BETWEEN HOUGHTON, KEW COUNTY, KEWEENAW COUNTY ROAD COMM AND EAGLE INNS INC, OF BLOCK ONE, LOTS 3 AND 4, INITIATED IN 2004, TO RESOLVE ANY ERRORS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUDGETS WERE APPROVED FOR ALL FUNDS FOR THE 2019/2020 FISCAL YEAR AS FOLLOWS:

MOTION BY TREGANOWAN, SECONDED BY JONES TO ADOPT THE WATER FUND BUDGET AS PRESENTED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY McEVERS, SECONDED BY TREGANOWN, TO ADOPT THE CEMETERY FUND BUDGET AS PRESENTED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY LONG, SECONDED BY McEVERS, TO ADOPT THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET AS PRESENTED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY LONG, SECONDED BY McEVERS, TO ADOPT THE BRIDGE FUND BUDGET AS PRESENTED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION BY JONES, SECONDED BY McEVERS, TO ADOPT THE TOWNSHIP SQUARE PARK FUND BUDGET AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY McEVERS, SECONDED BY TREGANOWAN, TO CONTINUE TRANSFERRING \$125 PER MONTH FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO SAVINGS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MEETING DATES FOR THE 2019/20 FISCAL YEAR SET FOR THE THIRD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6 P.M.

MEL WILL CONTACT POSSIBILITIES FOR A NEW ASSESSOR.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:50 P.M.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019 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 18TH DAY OF MARCH, 2019.

CAROL JONES, CLERK, HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP