

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
Monday, April 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Jim Vivian called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Board and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Jim Vivian, Treasurer Mary Long, Clerk Marjie Marshall. Absent: Trustees Kathy Harri-McEvers and Carol Treganowan.

GUEST PRESENT: David Schumacher.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- Approve minutes of March 22nd, 2021 regular meeting.
- Accept financial reports – treasurer and clerk
- General Fund: #5352 to Houghton Township for \$275.00, #5353 to Pasty Net for \$674.00, #5354 to US Treasury for \$1229.99, #5355 to Waste Management for \$199.83, #5356 to UPPCO for \$480.43, #5357 to UPPCO for \$166.00, #5358 to James Vivian III for \$387.87, #5360 VOID, #5361 to Marjie Marshall for \$507.93, #5362 to Mark Bonenfant for \$277.05, #5363 to Mary Long for \$528.47, #5364 to Tim Gasperich for \$92.35, #5365 to Carol Jones for \$ 204.34, #5366 to David Schumacher for \$144.73.
- Water Fund: #1582 to US Treasury for \$107.30, #1583 to Pasty Net for \$59.00, #1584 to Whitewater for \$34.00, #1585 to Mel Jones for \$203.17, #1586 to Mary Long for \$141.99.
- Cemetery Fund: #1139 to David Schumacher for \$55.41.
- Bridge Fund: No activity
- Park Fund: No activity.
- For a final total of \$5768.86
- Motion by Mary, seconded by Marjie to adopt agenda for tonight's meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion by Marjie, seconded by Mary, to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS/REPORTS-

- Nothing to report for Assessing, Water Department, Elections, or Parks.
- Dave advised that the Township Hall building is in need of a paint job, and that we should get estimates from contractors this time, instead of using volunteers.
- Jim and Marjie met with Tim Ryan at the cemetery to identify a plot. We had a difficult time using the current map. Jim, Dave, Tom Hall and Marjie will meet to become familiarized with the cemetery.
- The UPPCO Ordinance is complete.
- Park Policy adoption was tabled until we get further input from Kathy and Carol T.
- Susan Sanford has been contacted to compile our reports/F65 reports.
- Conflict of Interest policy was tabled

BUDGET AMENDMENTS-

- None

NEW BUSINESS –

- Jim spoke about the CARES Act monies available to local governments. The money has not been made available yet, but Houghton Township is eligible for up to \$7,000.00. The money needs to be used to support the needs of the community. We will be considering projects that meet that criterion.
- Jim attended a Township Supervisors meeting at which garbage pick-up was discussed. An example is Sherman Township, who contracts with Rural Garbage Service. Customers pay them \$3.00 per stop and buy their bag from them as well. If Houghton Township adopted this system, we could get out of the garbage business all together.
- Sherman and Allouez Townships have turned their water management over to American Water. Jim posed the question if this would be feasible for Houghton Township as well.
- Motion by Marjie, seconded by Mary to approve the revised rental agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT-

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm.

Next regular meeting – May 17th, 2021 at 6 p.m.

Marjie Marshall, Clerk
Houghton Township

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Marjie Marshall, the appointed 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 February, 2021.

Marjie Marshall, Clerk, Houghton Township