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Osceola Township Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2021, 6:15 PM

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Mark Halkola on November 10, 2021, at 6:42 PM. Board members present were Mark Halkola, Christa Gardner, Don Wareham, Aaron Janke and Traci Houle.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Houle, supported by Gardner to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

Approval of November 2, 2021, Special Meeting Minutes

E. unfinished business (land split)

A. new business (“draft” salary table)

B. new business (recommendation on past due accounts) Motion by Janke, supported by Houle to accept the agenda as amended. AVIF

Motion by Gardner, supported by Houle to accept the minutes of the October 13, 2021, meeting. AVIF

Motion by Houle, supported by Wareham to accept the minutes of the November 2, 2021, meeting. AVIF

Motion by Houle, supported by Wareham to approve the financial reports for the General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC water, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Gardner for payment of the bills: General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC water, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Public Comment: 6:58 Jim Siira inquired about water usage is in Mason. Public comment closed at 6:59.

Reports:

a. Assessor: Written report submitted.

b. Maintenance: Written report submitted.

c. OT Water Board Action items: Purchased of 2 no trespassing signs for Mason drain field. Motion by Houle, supported by Wareham. 5 yay 0 Nay Motion Carried

d. DBVFD: Written report submitted.

e. First Responders: Written report submitted.

f. TCVFD: Written report submitted.

g. TC Utility Board: Written report submitted.

h. TLSA: Written report submitted.

i. Supervisor reports: No parking sign letter from Uppco to resident, sign is down. Veterans Banners will go up in the spring of next year. Christmas lights in Dollar Bay, ADHOC meeting regarding 2022 decorations. Ordinance regarding recreational marijuana. Maintenance posting has one interested. Secretary/office manager position already discussed previously. Ice rink board bid has been accepted and both contractors have been verbally notified. Zane Hyrkas of OHM will attend December 2021 meeting with snowmobile trail update. Letter from Charter for Franchise renewal will go up from approval at 12/8/2021 meeting. New

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beach contact information is in the packet from the Health Department. Tim Gasparich from Calumet Township will attend utility meeting to discuss Michigan American Water purchase. Set up meeting with Tim Palosaari to go over white goods removal and junk car disposal.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Elm Street restoration plan (tabled): after brief discussion decision made to keep tabled
- b. Mason Sewer MDOT Lease (s) – amended (Action item): Motion by Gardner, supported by Houle to remove MDOT Lease Agreements off the table. AVIF. After discussion, Motion by Janke, supported by Wareham to pay both lease agreements for 5 years in one payment each. 5 year 0 day, Motion carried.
- c. Semco Request (pending more information): Still pending.
- d. Office Manager Position Update: No applications.
- e. Land split Tamarack City: In reaction to Assessor's recommendation, board would like more information from property owner on intentions of plan with properties once split. Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke for a detailed plan from property owner before approval of split. AVIF

New Business:

- a. Salary Table: Motion by Janke, supported by Wareham to accept the draft salary table for planning purposes only and for possible action during the December 8, 2021, meeting. AVIF
- b. Recommendation on past due water bills from joint utility meeting: Motion by Wareham, supported by Houle to formally notify residents of expectations of payment on past due bills. AVIF

Public Comment:

8:17 p.m. Jim Siira made comment on how Franklin Township compensates Clerk for elections. Cindy Barth asked how Yooper Cares can comment on staff salaries and will there be any zoom meeting prior to salary adjustments. After a brief explanation from Supervisor Halkola, Public Comment closed at 8:24 p.m.

Motion by Janke, supported by Wareham to adjourn at 8:24 PM. AVIF

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 8, 2021, at 6:15 PM at the Osceola Township Boardroom.