

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, March 3, 2022 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, MI 49781.

AGENDA:

1. Pledge~Minutes~Treasurer’s report
2. Public Comment
3. Alycia McKowen will present the 2022-2023 Strategic Plan for the St. Ignace Public Library and 2022 Action Plan
4. Laurie Collier will discuss Hendrick Township’s EMS & Fire Department
5. Discuss fencing options for the two cemeteries as proposed by Sexton Therrian
6. Set a date for 2022 Spring Clean-Up
7. Public Hearing for 2022-2023 Budget
8. Info concerning Cloverland Electric Coop Grant of Franchise
9. Old Business – Audit date set to July 12 at 9 a.m.
10. New Business
11. Adjourn

CALL TO ORDER:

Supr Dionne called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM EST with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Supr Dionne, Clerk Vallier, Treas Sovey,
and Trustees Spencer and Therrian

ABSENT: NONE

CITIZENS: D.J. Goudreau, Jr, Moran Twp Road Committee Chairman,
Alycia Mc Gowen and David Coven from the St. Ignace Library
Board, Ken & Laurie Collier from Hendricks Twp, Hendricks Twp
Fire Chief Terry Cece, Hendricks Twp Supr Howard Hood, Lee
Ortman, Cara Mason, Chuck Cullip and St. Ignace News Reporter
Erich Doerr.

MINUTES AND TREASURER’S REPORT:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY THERRIAN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 2, 2022 AND FEBRUARY 24, 2022 MEETINGS AND TREASURER’S REPORT.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

FNB/GENERAL CHECKING	\$312,133.65
HORIZON BANK NOW ACCOUNT	\$ 91,217.62
FNB/GENERAL SAVINGS	\$335,938.75
FNB OF AMERICA CD	\$109,564.47
CSB/BUSINESS MONEY MARKET	\$338,296.92
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION CD	\$103,938.18
GENERAL TOTAL	\$1,291,089.59

FNB/CITY WATER	\$ 112,870.65
HORIZON BANK NOW ACCOUNT	\$ 51,752.09
,CSB/WATER DEBT SERVICE	\$ 5.00
FNB PORTAGE STREET PROJECT BOND RESERVE	\$ 10,243.38
PORTAGE STREET WATER REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, IMPROVEMENT	\$ 12,246.19
STATE SAVINGS BANK OF MANISTIQUE – CD	\$ 51,735.31
WATER TOTAL	\$ 238,852.62

FNB/CITY SEWER	\$ 57,442.78
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CSB/ROAD SAVINGS	\$ 336,327.27
FNB/ROAD SELECT SAVINGS	\$461,107.62
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION SAVINGS	\$ 85.44
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION CD	\$105,567.08
OLD MISSION MONEY MARKET	\$204,707.79
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA – CD	\$ 83,598.26

ROAD TOTAL	\$1,191,393.46
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CSB/RECREATION SAVINGS	\$179,543.25
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CSB/CEMETERY SAVINGS	\$ 56,260.88
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CSB/GROS CAP CHURCH PRESERVATION	\$ 18,977.63
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FNB/CURRENT TAX COLLECTION CHECKING	\$ 163,969.86
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GRAND TOTAL \$3,197,529.07

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Resident Lee Ortman asked about the progress of a dock at the property on Chain Lake. Supr Dionne explained the process in the works.

FYI:

Attorney General's opinion on meeting attendance accommodations required under ADA.

HENDRICKS TOWNSHIP:

Moran Twp has a fire agreement with Hendricks Twp expiring on June 1, 2022. Fire Chief Cece thanked the board for their past support and asked for continued support. Hendricks Twp EMS Administrator Laurie Collier was present stating she would like (#2 in the contract) the area to be covered wording changed to say "The area to be covered in the Brevort Area is everything west of the W3300 Gridline." The Board agreed. The contract states Moran Twp agrees to pay Hendricks Twp Fire Dept a flat rate of \$ 7,500 per year and \$1000 towards operating expenses. A new contract will be drawn up and approved by both boards.

ALYCIA MCGOWEN ST. IGNACE LIBRARY DIRECTOR:

Ms McGowen gave a detailed "Strategic Plan Summary" on activities for 2021 and outlayed an "Action Plan" for 2022.

CEMETERY FENCING:

Cemetery Sexton Therrian brought before the board a proposal to replace the damaged fencing with a 4 foot chain link fence using the existing posts. Fencing from Home Depot – 47 rolls 4' x 50' for \$4500 plus shipping.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO ORDER 47 ROLLS OF CHAIN LINK FENCE FROM HOME DEPOT AT A COST OF \$4700 WITH SHIPPING. MONIES TO COME FROM CEMETERY FUND.

SPRING CLEAN-UP:

Twp has scheduled spring clean-up for Saturday, May 21, 2022.

2022-2023 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY THERRIAN (CARRIED) THE BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2022-2023 OPENED AT 6:20 P.M. EST.

Being no questions or concerns of the 2022-2023 Budget, the meeting was closed.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY THERRIAN (CARRIED) THE BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED AT 6:24 P.M. EST.

2022-2023 BUDGET APPROVAL:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) THE FOLLOWING BUDGET OPERATING EXPENSES FOR 2022-2023 WAS APPROVED:

GENERAL FUND	\$401,000.00
ROAD FUND	\$252,950.00
RECREATION FUND	\$193,250.00
WATER/SEWER	\$ 82,000.00
LIBRARY FUND	\$ 45,000.00

TOWNSHIP MILLAGES:

TOWNSHIP ALLOCATED	1.5 MILLS
TOWNSHIP VOTED ROADS	2.0 MILLS
TOWNSHIP VOTED RECREATION	0.25 MILLS
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TOWNSHIP VOTED LIBRARY	0.3 MILLS

FUND BALANCES:

GENERAL FUND	2021	\$1,069,503.17
	2022	\$1,226,672.60
ROAD FUND	2021	\$1,212,962.15
	2022	\$ 912,296.10
RECREATION FUND	2021	\$ 292,994.43
	2022	\$ 332,036.52

UNRESTRICTED ASSETS:

SEWER	2021	\$ 187,343.44
	2022	\$ 193,050.28
WATER	2021	\$1,555,085.31
	2022	\$1,519,853.18

ALL MEETINGS ARE ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY'S OF THE MONTH STARTING AT 6 PM AT THE MORAN TOWNSHIP HALL, W1362 US-2, ST. IGNACE, MI 49781

- APRIL 6, 2022
- MAY 4, 2022
- JUNE 1, 2022
- JULY 6, 2022
- AUGUST 3, 2022
- SEPTEMBER 7, 2022
- OCTOBER 5, 2022
- NOVEMBER 2, 2022
- DECEMBER 7, 2022
- JANUARY 4, 2023
- FEBRUARY 1, 2023

MARCH 1, 2023

CLOVERLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE GRANT OF FRANCHISE:

Letter from township's attorney, Erin Evashevski, asking the Township Board to grant Cloverland Electric Cooperative a franchise to conduct business in the Township by approving an ordinance. Cloverland currently serves the Township per an agreement the Township granted which expired in 2002. Evashevski is asking the Township Board to approve the new ordinance. Being the Township and Cloverland are represented by Erin Evashevski, Attorney she is also asking for a "Conflict of Interest Waiver".

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) THE "CONFLICT OF INTEREST WAIVER" AND ORDINANCE # 56 WAS APPROVED.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The 2020-2021 audit is scheduled for July 12, 2022.
2. Total cost for the "Fat Bike Trail" constructed at Doc Holle's Silver Mountain was \$75,000. The Township contributed \$15,000, Enbridge \$30,000 and the St. Ignace Visitor's Bureau \$30,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY THERRIAN (CARRIED) THE TOWNSHIP BOARD SUPPORTS THE JOINT RESOLUTION FOR ANY AND ALL PROJECT APPLICATIONS AND REQUESTS FOR FUNDING TO EXPEDITE URGENT IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ST. IGNACE ROAD, LOCATED IN CLARK, MARQUETTE AND ST. IGNACE TOWNSHIPS.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY THERRIAN (CARRIED) TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:44 PM EST.

SIGNED:

Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk

DATED: MARCH 8, 2022

APPROVED: APRIL 6, 2022