

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, Michigan 49781.

**AGENDA:**

1. Pledge~Minutes~Treasurer's Report
2. Public Comment
3. Wes Therrian was selected Cemeterian of the Year/MI Assoc of Municipal Cemeteries
4. Wes Therrian, Sexton address Board concerning cemetery improvements
5. Select a realtor to handle two parcels the twp would like to sell
6. Discuss Straits Area EMS Authority and their resolution #2022-01
7. Approve Resolution #2022-04 to set alternate date for the Dec 2022 BOR
8. Approve "Bike Trail" sign and discuss picnic table, bench & cement platform
9. Approve budget amendments
10. Approve MCRC contracts for brushing
11. Old Business
12. New Business
13. Adjourn

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supr Dionne called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM DST with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** PRESENT: Supr Dionne, Clerk Vallier, Treas Sovey  
Trustees Spencer & Therrian .  
ABSENT: None  
CITIZENS: DJ Goudreau, Chair Rd Committee, Wes Therrian, Sexton, Dep Supr  
Austin Kimberling, Jim Fenlon and Lee Ortman

**MINUTES:**

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT FROM THE AUGUST 3, 2022 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**CEMETERY SEXTON:**

Wesley Therrian, Moran Twp Cemetery Sexton was presented with a trophy for "Cemeterian of the Year" by the MI Association of Municipal Cemeteries at a banquet held in Frankenmouth, MI on August 19, 2022.

Therrian reports the Brevort Cemetery is ready to install new fencing. Also waiting for Belonga Excavating to gravel the drive-way. Also learned at the Municipal Cemeteries Conference about "Green Burials". Natural burials. Brevort's north end has about 300 feet not being used, which could be used for green burials. Further investigation to be done.

**SELECT A REALTOR:**

Two realtors showed interest Mackinac Properties and Coldwell Banker. The Twp is selling 15 acres located on US-2 #49-008-029-030-00 and parcel on Bashore Road #49-008-012-003-50. Both realtors stated they would list the property with a 12 month listing at a 6% listing fee.

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO HAVE MACKINAC PROPERTIES LIST THE 2 PARCELS FOR SALE.**

**STRAITS AREA EMS AUTHORITY RESOLUTION #2022-01:**

At the General Election November 8, 2022 the Straits Area EMS has proposed a millage request to levy 2.0 mills of the taxable value on all taxable property for 15 years, for ambulance services within the territory of the Authority, which is composed of the City of St. Ignace, St. Ignace Township, Moran Township, Brevort Township and Hendricks Township, Mackinac County Michigan and Trout Lake Township, Chippewa County, Michigan. Discussion concerning Moran Twp paying the most because of taxable value of properties. The only option is to withdraw before the election and have Moran Twp’s own ambulance service. Not Feasible!!!!

**ALTERNATE BOARD OF REVIEW FOR DECEMBER 2022:**

**MOTION BY THERRIAN, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO SET THE BOARD OF REVIEW DECEMBER ALTERNATE DATE TO FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2022 AT 4:00 PM** (Resolution 2022-04 attached)

**BIKE TRAIL:**

**MOTION BY THERRIAN, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO APPROVE INVOICE FROM KEN GILLMORE FOR A “BIKE TRAIL SIGN” (21” X 38”) MOUNTED ON 4 X 4 POSTS AND CEMENTED INTO THE GROUND. TOTAL SIGN COST INCLUDING MATERIALS, PAINTING AND INSTALLATION NOT TO EXCEED \$650.**

Discussion in purchasing a picnic table, bench and garbage container for the bike trail area.

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) THE PURCHASE OF PICNIC TABLE, BENCH AND INSTALLATION NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000.**

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO AMEND THE FOLLOWING BUDGET AMOUNTS:**

**101-101-801 GENERAL FUND – PROFESSIONAL AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES INCREASE BY \$5,000**

**101-262-702 GENERAL FUND - ELECTION SALARIES INCREASE BY \$650**

**MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION AGREEMENTS:**  
**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY THERRIAN (CARRIED) TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ROAD AGREEMENTS:**

**BRUSH MOWING PRIMARY ROADS – 16.5 MILES TWP COST \$3,900**

**BRUSH MOWING SECONDARY ROADS -11.4 MILES TWP COST \$6,100**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Supr Dionne attended breakfast meeting with Enbridge President Colin Gruending.
2. Email sent to Mike Moeller, Enbridge Director for the Great Lakes Region concerning a dock on Boulevard Drive.
3. SwimSmart update – permits still being sought.
4. Planning Commission Chair Chris Kittell has been trying to update the “Recreation Plan” The last update was in 2015 - DNR guidelines state update every 5 years. The holdup has been the 2020 Census Counts. The final edition is now slated for September 2023.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. MCRC 2021 Annual Financial Report
2. Emmet County Recycle Center at St. Ignace Area Schools
3. Letter from City of St. Ignace Water Dept
4. Notice from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers concerning American Transmission Company.

**TOWNSHIP PAYROLL: \$ 9,387.03**

**TOWNSHIP ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & EFT'S: \$124,202.16**

**ADJOURN:**

**MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:06 PM EST.**

**SIGNED:** *Kristine R. Vallier*  
Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 9, 2022**  
**APPROVED: OCTOBER 5, 2022**

