

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, Michigan

**AGENDA:**

1. Pledge~Minutes~Treasurer's report
2. Public Comment
3. Open bids for storage building – Western Cemetery
4. Select company for 2023 Dust Control
5. Approve working document to be included in M.T. Master Plan
6. Discuss document shredding for Spring Clean-Up
7. Discuss purchase for LBE Fitness Center
8. Approve Resolution #2023-3
9. Old Business
  - a. Report UPSET
  - b. Truck Climb Canceled for 2023
  - c. Work beginning on Father Jacques Marquette National Memoria

New Business

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Supr Dionne, Clerk Vallier, Treas Sovey  
Trustees Spencer and Kimberling

ABSENT: NONE

CITIZENS: ZBA Chair Chris Kittell, Road Chair D.J.  
Goudreau, Sexton Wes Therrian, St. Ignace News  
Reporter Erich Doerr ,Zoning Adm Fred Strich, Jim  
Fenlon, Kevin Paquin and Scott Marshall.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Supr Dionne called the meeting to order at 6 pm DST with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:**

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 1. 2023 MEETING.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** NONE

**RECREATION:**

Acting St. Ignace Recreation Director Scott Marshall was present requesting approval for fitness equipment for The St. Ignace Little Bear East Fitness Center of which Moran Twp residents are given a reduced rate to use the facilities. Marshall states the exercise equipment is in poor shape, needing replacement.

The plan is to replace a couple of machines every year. Marshall is requesting the twp purchase a “Seated Leg curl/extension Bench” and a “Ion Adjustable Bench” at a approx. cost \$4800. Treas Sovey suggested we purchase the equipment for LBE Fitness Center in exchange for no increase in our yearly payment

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY KIMBERLING (CARRIED) TO PURCHASE THE NEEDED EQUIPMENT FOR LBE FITNESS CENTER NOT TO EXCEED \$5000.**

**STORAGE BUILDING WESTERN CEMETERY – BREVORT BIDS:**

1. Benchmark Construction - \$44,000 if use a cement slab to place building on the bid would change to \$39,000,  
TABLED. Ask for breakdown of bid.

**DUST CONTROL BIDS:**

The following dust control bids were received:

1. M.J. VANDAMME, INC 26% SOLUTION 0.697
2. BAY DUST LIQUID CALCIUM CHLORIDE SALES  
35% SOLUTION 0.822
3. WILKINSON CORPORATION 28% SOLUTION 0.395

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) THE BID FROM WILKINSON CORPORATION AT \$0.395 – 28% SOLUTION WAS ACCEPTED.**

**MASTER PLAN:**

Approve a working document to be included in the M.T. Master Plan. Given to the M T Planning Commission as they are updating the Master Plan.

**DOCUMENT SHREDDER:**

Resident Jim Fenlon recommended obtaining a document shredder company for Spring Clean-Up. Supr Dionne checked into and the truck they use has to be on concrete or black top. The Twp does not have the room for a truck along with Spring Clean-Up equipment. It was suggested getting a locked bin supplied by the shredding company. Supr Dionne to check on.

**RESOLUTION #2023-3:**

Resolution #2023-3 is for the purchase of property adjoining township hall property from James & Amy Yost. COPY ATTACHED TO MINUTES.

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY KIMBERLING (CARRIED) TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #2023-3.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Email from Aaron, Susan and Maurice Ekstrom residents Boulevard Drive. Upset about the trimming and removing of trees along right-of-way. Supr Dionne refereed them to Mackinac County Road Commission.
2. The Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team (UPSET) is requesting a monetary amount for drug enforcement services. Supr Dionne contacted Sheriff Ed Wilk and they are legitimate. UPSET has 4 divisions – North, South, East and West. TRIDENT is in Chippewa, Luce and Mackinac Counties. SANE operates below the bridge. The Board DECLINED.
3. The Truck Climb at Doc Holle’s Silver Mountain was cancelled due to lack of snow.
4. INFO on Father Marquette rebuild.
5. Due to no “Red Flags” the Identity Theft Prevention Program was reviewed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Auditor approved the following budget amendments to 2022-2023:

**MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO INCREASE LINE ITEM 268-000-402 ST. IGNACE PUBLIC LIBRARY BY \$5,334.25.**

**MOTION BY KIMBERLING, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO INCREASE LINE ITEM 101-336-801 FIRE DEPARTMENT BY \$87.49.**

2. Cemetery Sexton Wes Therrian presented rules for the Green Burial Section at Western Cemetery – Brevort. Trustee Spencer suggested a Public Hearing at the Church in Brevort. A meeting will be scheduled in May.

**TOWNSHIP PAYROLL:**

<b>MARCH 2023</b>	<b>\$15107.51</b>
<b>APRIL 2023</b>	<b>\$10290.58</b>

<u>TOWNSHIP PAYABLE &amp; EFT'S:</u>	MARCH 2023	\$32974.17
	APRIL 2023	\$15822.04

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:53PM EST.

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

DATED: APRIL 10, 2023

APPROVED: MAY 3, 2023