

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace Michigan.

AGENDA:

1. Pledge~Minutes~Treasurer’s Report
2. Public Comment ~ Limit 2 minutes
3. Discuss bids received for work on township parking lot
4. Approve Moran Township Credit Card Policy
5. Approve SAFA Board member
6. Approve Resolution #2023-06 and discuss the sale of US-2 property
7. Discuss estimate from J&T Services to clear area east of township hall
8. Discuss AT&T landline at the tubing hill
9. Old Business – Updates
 - a. Does the township want the ability to waive zoning fees if the applicant is unable to pay?
10. New Business
11. Adjourn

ROLL CALL:

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

ABSENT: NONE

CITIZENS: Lee Ortman, Lester Livermore, Paul & Sharon McDonald and Zoning Admr Strich

MINUTES: MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY KIMBERLING (CARRIED) THE MINUTES AND TREASURERS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 WAS APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mackinac County Road Commission member Lester Livermore was present to inform the board that the road commission is in the process of maintaining their own website, currently they are on the Mackinac Country website..

TREASURER’S REPORT:

FNB/GENERAL CHECKING	\$ 83,773.98
HORIZON BANK NOW ACCOUNT	\$ 91,597.33
FNB/GENERAL SAVINGS	\$ 381,321.88
FNB OF AMERICA CD	\$ 111,047.84
CSB/BUSINESS MONEY MARKET	\$ 635,242.37
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION CD	\$ 104,874.57
GENERAL TOTAL	\$1,407,857.97

FNB/CITY WATER	\$ 126,948.31
HORIZON BANK NOW ACCOUNT	\$ 51,967.52
,CSB/WATER DEBT SERVICE	\$ 5.00
FNB PORTAGE STREET PROJECT BOND RESERVE	\$ 10,327.38
PORTAGE STREET WATER REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, IMPROVEMENT	\$ 14,357.59
STATE SAVINGS BANK OF MANISTIQUE – CD	\$ 52,092.77
WATER TOTAL	\$ 255,698.57

FNB/CITY SEWER	\$ 69,255.25
----------------	--------------

CSB/ROAD SAVINGS	\$ 599,392.58
FNB/ROAD SELECT SAVINGS	\$ 397,262.20
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION SAVINGS	\$ 85.53
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION CD	\$106,341.33
OLD MISSION MONEY MARKET	\$205,976.84
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA – CD	\$ 84,542.30
ROAD TOTAL	\$1,393,600.78

CSB/RECREATION SAVINGS	\$ 169,125.46
------------------------	---------------

CEMETERY SAVINGS	\$ 65,590.72
------------------	--------------

CSB/GROS CAP CHURCH PRESERVATION	\$ 20,579.63
----------------------------------	--------------

FNB/CURRENT TAX COLLECTION CHECKING	\$ 00
-------------------------------------	-------

GRAND TOTAL \$3,381,708.38

TOWNSHIP PARKING LOT BIDS:

TABLED

MORAN TOWNSHIP CREDIT CARD POLICY:

MOTION BY KIMBERLING, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO APPROVE THE MORAN TOWNSHIP CREDIT CARD POLICY PRESENTED (COPY ATTACHED TO MINUTES)

STRAITS AREA FIRE AUTHORITY (SAFA) APPOINTMENT:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) TO RE-APPOINT MARK SPENCER AS A MORAN TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVE ON THE SAFA BOARD, TERM ENDING 12/27.

RESOLUTION # 2023-06:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY SOVEY TO ADOPT RESOLUTION # 2023-06 TO AUTHORIZE THE MORAN TWP SUPERVISOR AND TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE SALE OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY # 49-008-029-030-00 AT THE FISHING HERITAGE PARK ON HIGHWAY US-2. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED TO MINUTES).

CLEARING OF TREES BEHIND TOWNSHIP HALL:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT ESTIMATE FROM J & T SERVICES, LLC - \$ 4,900 TO CLEAR TREES FROM BEHIND TOWNSHIP HALL.

AT&T LANDLINE AT DOC HOLLE'S SILVER MOUNTAIN:

Clerk Vallier states the AT&T landline at the tubing hill is \$108.37 per month. Is this phone needed? Cell service is spotty with some providers. The tubing hill has not opened in the past 4 years due to lack of snow. Clerk Vallier to check with AT&T about putting a seasonal hold on the service to save cost. Service from November thru March and a hold from April to October.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Trustee question concerning variance application fees, can the board waive a fee for someone who can't afford the fee? There is no precedent to waive a fee, it wouldn't be fair to waive a fee for someone but require it for everyone else.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Email provider Lighthouse has been canceled as we are now with Google.
2. Corner of US-2 and Cheeseman road has been sold by the Department of Natural Resources to Shannon Smith for \$61,000.
3. Clerk Vallier gave an Election update.
4. Resident Sharon McDonald complimented on the new picnic table and bench recently installed at the Bike and Hike Trail.
5. Trustee Kimberling attended a meeting on necessary housing.
6. Recommended by Moran Twp Planning Commission to issue a Special Use Permit.

MOTION BY KIMBERLING, SECONDED BY SPENCER A "SPECIAL USE PERMIT" ISSUED TO DARROW BROTHERS GRAVEL PIT ID#49-008-009-058-20 PER RECOMMENDATION OF THE MORAN TWP PLANNING COMMISSION.

TOWNSHIP PAYROLL: \$11542.57

TOWNSHIP ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & EFT'S: \$17912.80

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY KIMBERLING, SECONDED BY SOVEY (CARRIED) THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:36 PM DST.

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

DATED: OCTOBER 10, 2023
APPROVED: NOVEMBER 1, 2023