

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, Michigan 49781.

AGENDA:

1. Pledge~Minutes~Treasurer's Report
2. Public Comment ~ Limit 2 minutes
3. 2003 US-2 Water Project
 - a. Paul Krause wishes to address the board concerning driveway settling issues due to the water line excavation.
4. St. Ignace Golf Course ~ Recreation fund revenue request
5. Moran Township Cemetery Sexton ~ Pay for cremations.
6. Cloverland/Gros Cap Electric Service
 - a. Supr Durm spoke to Super Crag Davidson at Cloverland. He inspected the affected properties on Gros Cap Road and concluded that the only option for upgrading the electrical service would be for Moran Twp to obtain an easement from the neighboring property owner. Cloverland can continue to maintain the existing electrical service, but if it requires replacement they would require an easement.
7. Moran Township Zoning Ordinance
 - a. The Moran Twp Planning Commission approved the updated zoning ordinance and recommends that our board also give our approval.
8. 45 MPH speed limit sign on US-2 ~ Discussion
9. Old Business
10. New Business
 - a. The Board must decide whether or not to accept ownership of tax reverted Property Parcel # 49-008-100-024-70
 - b. Scrap Tire Cleanup grant application
11. Adjourn

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

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and Trustees Spencer and Malcolm
ABSENT: NONE
CITIZENS: Paul Krause, Ben Brown, Paul Koivuniemi, Lee Ortman, Jim Fenlon M.T. Zoning Adm Craig Therrian and St. Ignace News Reporter Erich Doeer.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

US-2 2003 WATER PROJECT:

Mackinac Ford Sales owner Paul Krause was present to explain since the 2003 water project on US-2, a section of driveway has been sinking after spring thaw. At the time of the project Supr Durm and Trustee Spencer visited the driveway and the sinking is definitely a result of the water project. Krause to return with cost to repair.

ST. IGNACE GOLF COURSE:

Golf Course Manager, Ben Brown and Golf Course Committee Member, Dave Koivuniemi were present to request the township assist in buying a new mower for the golf course. The St Ignace Golf Course property is located in Moran Township, but the township receives no monies from the course. A Profit & Loss statement from January through August 2017 was presented showing a net loss of \$4,330.98. The cost of a new mower is between \$29,000 and \$32,000. The total membership this year is 133 of which 40 are Moran Twp residents. A request for \$12,000 is in line with the percentage of members who are Moran Twp residents. An e-mail to Treas Dionne from Twp Attorney Evashevski stated "Recreation millage funds to buy golf course equipment that would belong solely to a third party, as requested, is not an allowable public purpose". This expenditure would provide no recreational benefit to the citizens of the township that it would not have if the donation were not made. Trustee Spencer suggested maybe a 425 Agreement with the City of St. Ignace, who operates the Golf Course.

MORAN TOWNSHIP CEMETERY SEXTON:

Cemetery Sexton Ben Goudreau is solely responsible for the opening and closing of cremation burials. There are no provisions for pay for this service.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY MALCOLM (CARRIED) THE CEMETERY SEXTON IS TO BE PAID FOR CREMATION BURIALS:

\$50 ~ week day burial

\$75 ~ Saturday burials

\$100~ Sunday burials

GROS CAP CHURCH ELECTRICAL SERVICE:

Supr Durm and Zoning Adm Therrian spoke with Craig Davidson at Cloverland Electric. Davidson inspected the affected properties on Gros Cap Road and concluded that the only option for upgrading the electric at the Gros Cap Church would be for Moran Twp to obtain an easement from the neighboring property owner. Cloverland can continue to maintain the existing electrical service, but if it requires replacement they would require an easement.

MORAN TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 53:

The Moran Twp Planning Commission approved the updated zoning ordinance and recommends that our board also give our approval.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO ADOPT THE UPDATED ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 53. THE ORDINANCE INCLUDES AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING TEXT AND ZONING MAP, AS FOLLOWS:

Amendments to Sections 5.04, 6.04, 7.04, 8.04, 9.04, 10.04 11.04, 12.04, 13.04, 14.04, and 15.08 to allow mining operations as a special land use in all districts and establish review standards for mining operations; amendments to Article 20 relating to signage in all districts; addition of a new Article 15A establishing a Mixed-Use Corridor (MUC) District; addition of a new Article 15B establishing a Corridor Viewshed Protection Overlay District applicable to properties with frontage on US-2; amendment to Section 2.02 adding a definition for mini-warehouse; addition of a new Section 21.21 establishing standards for mini-warehouses; and, amendments to the Zoning Map affecting properties along US-2 including the designation of properties in the new Mixed-Use Corridor (MUC) District.

40 MPH SPEED LIMIT SIGN: TABLED

OLD BUSINESS:

MORAN TOWNSHIP IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM RENEWAL:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) THE IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM IS RENEWED BEING NO RED FLAG'S DETECTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

MACKINAC COUNTY TAX REVERTED PROPERTY:

According to Public Act 123 of 1999 the County is to furnish the local units of government a list of unsold properties in their respective units after the second "no minimum bid" auction. Properties that are unsold after the second round of auctions are to be deeded to the local unit unless they reject them pursuant to MCL 211.78m, (6): the parcel in question is 49-008-100-024-70.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO SEND A LETTER OF REJECTION, FOR PROPERTY ID # 49-008-100-024-70 TO MACKINAC COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE.

SCRAP TIRE GRANT APPLICATION: TABLED

BLIGHT ISSUES:

Trustee Spencer reports blight issues:

1. Cabins in Brevort owned by Brian Kriesche are open and children are playing in them. Owner needs to be notified to close the cabins.
2. Lehto's Pastie sign located at W1983 US-2 has fallen over. Owner needs to remove/fix sign.

KOORSEN FIRE & SECURITY AGREEMENT:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY MALCOLM (CARRIED) TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH KOORSEN FIRE & SECURITY TO SERVICE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS FOR 5 YEARS AT A COST OF \$85.00 PER YEAR.

TOWNSHIP PAYROLL & BILLS PAID: SEE ATTACCHED CHECK REGISTRAR

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:20 PM DST.

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

DATED: OCTOBER 13, 2017

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 1, 2017