

A Special Meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, MI 49781.

MEETING AGENDA:

1. 2016-2017 Budget Public Hearing
2. Appoint Cemetery Sexton
3. Appoint Manager of Doc Holle's Silver Mountain
4. Discuss Assessor position
5. Discuss letter from Allied EMS
6. Lease of Parcel 49-008-003-004-00 to Bacco

ROLL CALL:

Present: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and Trustee Spencer

Absent: Trustee Malcolm

Citizens: Assessor Richard Oliver, Cindy Oliver, Benjamin Goudreau, Kyle Brow, Ed Ryan and Zoning Admr Craig Therrian

CALL TO ORDER: Supr Durm called the meeting to order at 10 AM DST with the Pledge of Allegiance

ASSESSOR:

Assessor Richard Oliver and wife Cindy were present. Moran Twp contracts with DSP, Inc owned by Richard Oliver for township assessing. Oliver is dealing with serious medical issues but reports he's making progress and will continue doing the assessing for the township. The March Board of Review is over and reports are being prepared for Equalization Department. A question arose concerning needing a Level 3 Assessor for the township. Oliver is a Level 2. If a level 3 is required by the State Tax Commission, DSP, Inc will hire a Level 3 Assessor to do the assessing duties. Reports will be filed on time.

APPOINT CEMETERY SEXTON:

Benjamin "Ben" Goudreau was present to state his interest in becoming Cemetery Sexton for the two Moran Township Cemeteries.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) BENJAMIN GOUDREAU WAS APPOINTED CEMETERY SEXTON.

Clerk Vallier states duties of the Sexton does not include cremation burials of which the Sexton is in charge. A full burial opening/closing is paid to the Sexton by the Funeral Home Director. Vallier states the Sexton does the digging preparation for cremations. The week-day cost of a cremation is \$130.00. Vallier states the Sexton receives nothing for cremation burials. Vallier suggested the Sexton be paid \$30 per cremation.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) THE CEMETERY SEXTON BE PAID \$30 PER CREMATION BURIAL.

APPOINT MANAGER OF DOC HOLLE'S SILVER MOUNTAIN:

Kyle Brow was present to state his interest is becoming the manager of Doc Holle's Silver Mountain.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO APPOINT KYLE BROW, MANAGER OF DOC HOLLE'S SILVER MOUNTAIN. AT \$14 PER HOUR WORKED.

Trustee Spencer questioned if the Manager has to be certified. Clerk Vallier to check with the insurance company.

ALLIED EMS LETTER:

Allied EMS through their attorney, sent a letter requesting payment for the invoice sent on April 23, 2015, January-March Operational loss for 2015 - \$8121.05. Payment for this invoice and the invoice received from the City of St. Ignace is in question. City of St. Ignace has requested an audit report for the past 3 years, has not received. Allied EMS is a non-profit business who dissolved March 2015. The Township would like accountability as to where this money is going since they have dissolved.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY VALLIER TO PAY THE INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8121.05.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: CLERK VALLIER AND TREASURER DIONNE

NAYS: SUPERVISOR DURM AND TRUSTEE SPENCER.

ABSENT: TRUSTEE MALCOLM

MOTION FAILED BY A 2-2 VOTE.

Supr Durm to send a letter requesting the audit from the past 3 years. Also consult with Twp Attorney on content of letter.

REQUEST TO LEASE TWP PARCEL # 49-008-003-004-00 ON CHEESEMAN:

Construction Company Bacco would like to lease the property (49-008-003-004-00) on Cheeseman Road for stock piling gravel and sand. Bacco is preparing to dig gravel on property close to the township property. Applications are being prepared with the Zoning Administrator. Bacco will also have a "Hold Harmless" contract with Moran Township. A Zoning hearing is scheduled for April 4 for which Bacco is requesting a "Use Variance". After all requirements are received then allow Bacco to use the property.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO CHARGE BACCO FOR THE USE OF PROPERTY (49-008-003-004-00) ON THE CHEESEMAN ROAD FOR A \$50/MONTH CHARGE WITH \$600 UP FRONT FOR THE FIRST YEAR. RENEGOTIATE IF STILL USING THE PROPERTY IN A YEAR.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2016/2017 BUDGET:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 11:06 AM EST, TO CONSIDER THE 2016/2017 BUDGET.

NO CONCERNS OR QUESTIONS ASKED.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 11:10 AM EST.

ADOPTION OF MORAN TOWNSHIP BUDGET – APRIL 1, 2016 TO MARCH 31, 2017:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO APPROVE THE OPERATING BUDGET EXPENSES FOR THE DEPARTMENTS LISTED FOR 2016/2017 BUDGET YEAR:

GENERAL FUND	\$365,487.92
ROAD FUND	\$590,250.00
RECREATION FUND	\$ 49,738.65
WATER/SEWER FUND	\$112,060.25

Clerk Vallier also reported 2015 Fund Balances for the following:

General Fund	\$318,235.76
Road Fund	\$813,521.30
Recreation Fund	\$221,932.77

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:

SEWER`	\$156,662.58
WATER	\$1,740,803.39

MEETING DATES FOR 2016-2017:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING MEETING DATES FOR THE 2016-2017 YEAR:

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

- APRIL 6, 2016
- MAY 4, 2016
- JUNE 1, 2016

JULY 6, 2016
AUGUST 3, 2016
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
OCTOBER 5, 2016
NOVEMBER 2, 2016
DECEMBER 7, 2016
JANUARY 4, 2017
FEBRUARY 1, 2017
MARCH 1, 2017

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:15 AM EST

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

DATED: MARCH 28, 2016

APPROVED: APRIL 6, 2016