

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2008

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2008 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER:

Supr Durm called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM EST with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and Trustees Heuer and Spencer.
ABSENT: NONE
GUESTS: Mackinac County Road Commission Manager/Engineer, Dirk Heckman and MCRC Member Frank Luepnitz
CITIZENS: Chuck Malcolm, Judy Luoma and St. Ignace News Reporter John DeMott.

REPORTS RECEIVED:

Ambulance Committee report, Monday, October 27, 2008, attended by Supervisor Durm.

MINUTES:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE OCTOBER 1, 2008 MEETING.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

INTRODUCTION OF MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MANAGER/ENGINEER:

Road Commission member, Frank Luepnitz, introduced MCRC Manager/Engineer Dirk Heckman. Clerk Vallier inquired into the repair of the pot hole on the west drive-way at the St. Ignace Area Schools. Road Committee member Spencer explained to Manager Heckman about the pot hole. Manager Heckman stated he would look into the problem.

WESTERN CEMETERY REQUEST:

Richard Bellant and Ann Freel sent a letter requesting permission to place 3 benches at the Western Cemetery, Brevort.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO ALLOW BELLANT AND FREEL TO PLACE UP TO 3 BENCHES AT THE WESTERN CEMETERY, BREVORT. NO PLACING OF THE BENCHES UNTIL THE SEXTON OF THE WESTERN CEMETERY (MARK SPENCER) HAS BEEN CONTACTED.

SALE OF BREVORT COMMUNITY CENTER:

An offer of \$20,000 has been submitted by Tom and Joyce Gustafson for the purchase of the Brevort Community Center in Brevort, Michigan. The property has been listed for sale with Mackinac Properties for over a year. No responses.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER TO ACCEPT THE OFFER OF \$20,000, PLUS CLOSING COSTS, FOR THE SALE OF THE BREVORT COMMUNITY CENTER, PROPERTY ID #49-008-078-10, LOCATED AT N4421 SCHOOLHOUSE ROAD, BREVORT, MICHIGAN, TO TOM AND JOYCE GUSTAFSON

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**AYES: SUPR DURM, CLERK VALLIER,
TREAS DIONNE AND TRUSTEES
SPENCER AND HEUER**

NAYS: NONE

NORTH WOODS ELECTRIC INVOICE:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO PAY INVOICE FROM NORTH WOODS ELECTRIC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$235.86 FOR ADDITIONAL WORK ON ELECTRIC HEATERS IN THE TOWNSHIP HALL.

MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION INVOICE:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO PAY INVOICE #08-146, FOR \$90.30, FROM THE MCRC FOR A “NO TURN AROUND” SIGN INSTALLED ON WILSON ROAD. MONEY TO COME FROM THE ROAD FUND.

SAYLES BUILDERS INVOICE:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE TO PAY INVOICE SUBMITTED FROM SAYLES BUILDERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,450 FOR INSTALLATION OF A NEW ROOF, AND REPAIR TO SOFFIT/SIDING/FASCIA, ON THE GROS CAP CEMETERY STORAGE BUILDING. MONEY TO COME FROM GENERAL FUND (CAPITAL OUTLAY).

TRUSTEE MARK A. SPENCER INVOICE:

Trustee Spencer attended the National Association Towns and Townships (NATaT) Conference in Washington D.C. from Sept 28 thru Oct 2. Trustee Spencer submitted an invoice for expenses of the trip in the amount of \$859.39. Trustee Spencer gave an excellent report on his experience. Recommends if you have the chance to go – GO.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO PAY THE INVOICE SUBMITTED BY TRUSTEE SPENCER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$859.39, TO COME FROM GENERAL FUND.

CHARLES GOUDREAU PROPERTY:

Charles Goudreau property located at US-2 and Cheeseman Road (ID # 008-005-033-40) .80 acre lot size 100 x 140, is for sale. Supr Durm contacted Goudreau regarding a price. This property is listed with George Yshinski Real Estate – List Price \$6500. This property is connected with Doc Holle’s Silver Mountain Ski Hill. The True Cash Value is \$2,000.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO MAKE A FIRM OFFER BID OF \$2,500 TO CHARLES GOUDREAU FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY ID# 008-005-033-40.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Jefson property located at W1170 US-2 has a pile of garbage along US-2. Supr Durm to write a violation letter.

2. Clerk Vallier reported the election results. Mackinac County reported a 67% turn-out and Moran Township had 71% turn-out in voters.

3. Clerk Vallier reported shortage in the Publishing line item for the governing body (101-101-900).

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO INCREASE THE LINE ITEM, PRINTING AND PUBLISHING IN THE GOVERNING BODY (101-101-900) BY \$500.

4. **MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO PAY EXPENSES (REGISTRATION FEE, MOTEL FEE AND MILEAGE) FOR SUPR DURM, CLERK VALLIER, TREAS DIONNE AND TRUSTEE SPENCER TO ATTEND THE MICHIGAN TOWNSHIPS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE IN DETROIT FROM JANUARY 27, 2009 THRU JANUARY 30, 2009**

5. Clerk Vallier requested a pay increase for the Election Inspectors, from \$8 to \$10.

MOTION BY HEUER, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO RAISE THE ELECTION INSPECTORS SALARY FROM \$8 TO \$10 – RETROACTIVE TO THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION.

6. A request from the MT Zoning Board of Appeals for a lap-top computer to record the ZBA meetings. The ZBA minutes need to be approved, a second meeting has been called in the past to approve the minutes. It was suggested by the George Ford, member of the ZBA, if a lap-top computer was used the minutes could be typed at the meeting and approved at the end, therefore eliminating the expense of another meeting. Trustee Spencer suggested a digital recorder. The minutes could then be typed on the Township computer. Trustee Spencer to check on a digital recorder.

7. Clerk Vallier informed the Board of a Transportation Asset Management workshop going to be held on Monday, December 1, 2008 at the Moran Township Hall conducted by the Mackinac County Chapter of the Michigan Township Association.

8. Stephen P. Murray individual on behalf of Michigan Outdoor Advertising, has been cited by the Township for turning two legal non-conforming billboards to one illegal non-conforming billboards. Murray requested a ZBA Hearing, the ZBA turned down his variance request, it then went to The State of Michigan in the 92nd Judicial District Court for the County of Mackinac, File No. 08-274-SN.

STIPULATION

Stephen P. Murray, as an individual and on behalf of Michigan Outdoor Advertising and Moran Township, by and through its attorney, Tom H. Evashevski, hereby agree and stipulate as follows:

1. The citation issued to Stephen P. Murray, Complaint No. 08-274-SN, will be dismissed with prejudice.

2. Murray and Michigan Outdoor Advertising will remove the materials that caused what were previously two legal non-conforming billboards to become one illegal non-conforming billboard on or before 12/31/2009.

3. Upon restoration of the previous two legal non-conforming billboards, the same shall be allowed to continue as legal non-conforming billboards.

4. This stipulation constitutes a waiver by Murray and Michigan Outdoor Advertising that the defense it may assert to the aforementioned citation or any similar citation that may be issued in the event Murray or Michigan Outdoor Advertising violates the provisions of this stipulation.

MOTION BY HEUER, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO SIGN THE ABOVE MENTIONED STIPULATION.

TOWNSHIP BILLS: Checks 1999 thru 2032 + EFT's = \$21708.70

1999	P.J. Durm, Supr	\$1113.10
2000	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	779.37
2001	Susan K. Dionn, Treas	879.37
2002	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	395.78
2003	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	731.10
2004	Barbara Alkire, Custod	46.17
2005	DSP, Inc	2000.00
2006	Kathleen Anne Kittell, Dep Treas	153.31
2007	Cynthia Oliver, Assessor	49.99
2008	AT&T	229.26
2009	AT&T	118.24
2010	LaVerne Heuer, Trustee	138.53
2011	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	138.53
2012	Katherine Stephan, Election Chairperson	193.94
2013	Christal Marshall, Election Inspector	150.00

2014	Thora Shepard, Election Inspector	150.00
2015	Mary Sue Kunze, Election Inspector	120.00
2016	Mackinac Plumbing & Heating Co	50.00
2017	Brown & Brown	478.00
2018	Mark A. Spencer	986.41
2019	BS&A Software	420.00
2020	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	215.86
2021	National Office Prod	16.88
2022	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	51.38
2023	ESELCO	579.72
2024	Cloverland Elec Coop	136.27
2025	Postmaster	54.00
2026	GBS, Inc	321.70
2027	North Woods Electric	235.86
2028	Sayles Builders	8450.00
2029	P.J. Durm, Supr	120.01
2030	P.J. Durm, Supr	345.73
2031	GBS, Inc	32.18
2032	Fidlar Companies	252.09
EFT's		
	First National Bank – Image fee	5.00
	Lighthouse.net	49.95
	IRS	

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 7:35 PM EST.**

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

DATED: NOVEMBER 10, 2008

APPROVED: DECEMBER 3, 2008