

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, April 2, 2008 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, MI 49781.

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 Spencer and Heuer.
ABSENT: NONE
GUESTS: Mackinac Straits Hospital CEO Rod Nelson and Mackinac Straits Hospital Board Members Chairman Ron Mitchell and Vice-Chairman Richard Smith also Hospital personnel Tom Alkire, Shannon Martin and Michelle Argue.
CITIZENS: Lee Ortman and Barbara Bentgen.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

REPORTS RECEIVED:

1. St. Ignace Fire Dept monthly report for February 2008.
2. Mackinac County Commission meeting March 13, 2008.
3. Report from Doc Holle Ski Hill Manager on gross receipts for the winter of 2008 totaling, \$14,974.25 - lift ticket sales \$11,489 and food sales \$3,485.25.

MINUTES:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT MINUTES FOR MARCH 5, 2008 AS PRESENTED.

MACKINAC STRAITS HOSPITAL REPORT BY PERSONNEL:

The May 6, 2008 hospital transfer vote, here is the formal ballot language:

Shall the Mackinac Straits Hospital Authority be authorized to sell, lease and/or transfer certain property and assets of Mackinac Straits Hospital Authority to the Mackinac Straits Health System, Inc., a Michigan nonprofit corporation, pursuant to the terms of a proposed Transfer Agreement and Act 47 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1945, and shall Mackinac Straits Health System, Inc. be authorized to incur bonded indebtedness payable from its net revenues in excess of 80% of its total asset value and grant a mortgage and security interest in its assets, to be used to finance the construction, furnishing and equipping of a replacement hospital and related facilities and assume operation of the replacement hospital and related facilities?

Mackinac Straits Hospital CEO, Rod Nelson, Hospital Board members Ron Mitchell and Richard Smith and Mackinac Straits Hospital employees Tom Alkire, Shannon Martin and Michelle Argu, were present to answer questions.

The Mackinac Straits Hospital Authority currently operates the hospital, the entities that created the current Authority are City of St. Ignace and Townships Brevort, Moran and St. Ignace. It was started in 1950 to raise money to qualify for a Federal grant to build the existing hospital. It was created under Act 47, which requires that voters approve any transfer. The Authority Board voted in favor of the transfer at its February 4, 2008 meeting.

Approval is needed to transfer the Mackinac Straits Hospital from one type of organization to another. The new corporation is a technical requirement of a \$37 million USDA Rural Development financing program for the new hospital. The new corporation, a private non-profit corporation will build and operate the new facility, if approved by voters, the new corporation will be called Mackinac Straits Health System.

All the assets, debts, liabilities and operations of the Mackinac Straits Hospital and Health Center, Long-Term Care Unit, the Mackinac Island Medical Center, Naubinway Family Health Clinic, Bois Blanc Island Clinic and an interest in the Moses Dialysis Unit will be transferred from the current Authority to the new non-profit corporation.

Taxpayers will not be obligated to cover the new corporation's debts. Any debts will be the sole responsibility of the new corporation.

If voters do not approve the transfer, the new facility will not be built. The hospital would then, under Michigan Public Act 47, request /4 mills from the Authority members without an election. The hospital would also ask for a 10-year 2 mill increase from the residents of the Authority to support operations and needed improvements in the current facility as determined in Section 331.4 of Act 47, along with implementing cost-cutting measures. The Authority members are the registered voters in the City of St. Ignace, Brevort, Moran and St. Ignace Townships, these entities created the current Authority.

CEO Rod Nelson is requesting a "Resolution" to support the transfer vote on May 6, 2008.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Moran Township Board of Trustees has had the opportunity to review the facts and wording of the May 6, 2008 Hospital Transfer vote,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Moran Township Board of Trustees supports the Hospital Transfer of authority to the new private non-profit corporation, Mackinac Straits Health System,

BY: *Kristine R. Vallier* DATE: 04-02-2008
Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk

SUPPORTED BY: *LaVerne Heuer* DATE: 04-02-2008
La Verne Heuer, Trustee

AYES: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and Trustees Heuer and Spencer

NAYS: NONE

I hereby certify that this resolution was passed by the Moran Township Board of Trustees at our meeting held on Wednesday, April 2, 2008 at St. Ignace, Michigan

Kristine R. Vallier
Kristine R. Vallier
Moran Township Clerk

AMENDMENT TO 2008-2009 BUDGET:

Due to approved increase in Trustee salaries the following amendment was made:
MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO AMEND THE LINE ITEM'S BUDGET – GOVERNING BODY TRUSTEE SALARIES:

101-702 (SALARIES) FROM \$3600 CHANGE TO \$4000
101-714 (SS & MC) FROM \$350 CHANGE TO \$400

DOC HOLLE SILVER MOUNTAIN AGREEMENT:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO ADD ATTACHMENT (B) TO THE CURRENT DOC HOLLE'S SILVER MOUNTAIN SKI HILL FACILILTY FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ST. IGNACE:

ATTACHMENT (B)

Agreement: Doc Holle’s Silver Mountain Disc Golf Course.

WHEREAS, the City of St. Ignace (City) and the Township of Moran (Township) are jointly interested in the recreational activities for all citizens of the area; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to incorporate the Disc Golf Course into its overall program and coordinate responsibility for the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Ski Hill Committee is hereby appointed the governing body of the Disc Golf Course.
2. The Disc Golf Course will operate pursuant to Attachment (A) of the Doc Holle’s Silver Mountain Facility Funding Agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING ELECTION INSPECTORS FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 6, 2008:**

CHAIRMAN: KATHY STEPHAN

INSPECTORS: CRISTAL MARSHALL, MARY SUE KUNZE, AND PATTI BECKER

ALTERNATES: THORA SHEPARD AND SUZY HARTLEY

2. Clerk Vallier informed the Board of the Michigan Township Association Spring District Meeting which will take place at Little Bear Arena, St. Ignace on May 30. Early bird registration needs to be made by May 1. All board members stated they wish to attend.

3. Treas Dionne presented the consent judgement totals for the suit filed by Enbridge Energy Limited is as follows:

\$31,121.99	SET
\$90,448.79	SCHOOL OPERATING
\$ 9,401.32	SCHOOL VOTED SINKING FUND
\$ 5,245.39	EUPISD
\$ 7,744.51	TOWNSHIP ALLOCATED
\$ 7,791.17	TOWNSHIP VOTED ROADS

\$ 2,589.00	TOWNSHIP VOTED RECREATION
\$22,983.47	COUNTY ALLOCATED
\$ 6,689.81	VOTED HOSPITAL
\$ 1,840.12	TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION FEE

\$185,855.58 TOTAL

4. MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO PAY THE MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION INVOICE FINAL BILLING FOR THE PTE. LABARBE ROAD PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,248.50. MONIES TO COME FROM THE ROAD FUND ACCOUNT.

5. Trustee Spencer encouraged Board members to attend the Mackinac County Water Safety meeting to be held on May 21 at the Little Bear Arena in St. Ignace. The meeting will discuss rip tides and currents in the Great Lakes.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

TOWNSHIP BILLS: Checks 1734 thru 1766 + EFT's = \$13,012.02

1734	P.J. Durm, Supr	\$1131.10
1735	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	\$ 779.37
1736	Susan K. Dionne, Treas	\$ 879.37
1737	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	\$ 395.78
1738	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	\$ 731.10
1739	Barbara Alkire, Custod	\$ 46.17
1740	DSP, Inc	\$2000.00
1741	Mark A. Spencer, Cemetery Sexton	\$ 277.05
1742	Jake Tamlyn, Cemetery Sexton	\$ 277.05
1743	VOID	
1744	JoAnn Ford, BOR	\$ 321.27
1745	Ivan R. Wilde, BOR	\$ 295.52
1746	Patti Becker, BOR	\$ 72.29
1747	AT&T	\$ 155.96
1748	AT&T	\$ 214.97
1749	Albert Feliksa, BOR	\$ 258.58
1750	B&B Snowplowing	\$ 245.00
1751	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	\$ 138.53
1752	LaVerne Heuer, Trustee	\$ 138.53
1753	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	\$ 51.38
1754	Cloverland Elec Coop	\$ 170.48
1755	The St. Ignace News	\$ 65.63
1756	National Office Prods	\$ 98.67
1757	MTA	\$ 375.00
1758	ESELCO	\$ 870.59
1759	Richard Oliver, Dep Bldg Insp	\$ 22.22
1760	Reiter's Web Design, Inc	\$ 114.00

1761	Postmaster	\$ 615.00
1762	Richard Oliver, Dep Bldg Insp	\$ 40.00
1763	B&B Snowplowing	\$ 105.00
1764	Katherine Stephan, Dep Clerk	\$ 84.97
1765	Kinross Charter Twp	\$ 21.30
1766	Brown and Brown	\$517.00

EFT'S

Lighthouse.net	\$ 49.95
IRS	\$1698.19

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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

DATED: APRIL 7, 2008

APPROVED: MAY 7, 2008

