

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2008

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, February 6, 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: Reporter Paul Gingras with The St. Ignace News and D.J. Goudreau, Jr. MT Road Committee Chairman.
CITIZENS: Chuck Malcolm and Lee Ortman.

MINUTES:

Treas Dionne made note of correction to **December 5, 2007** meeting minutes. The paragraph **UNCOLLECTIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES:** should state:

900-020-00 \$ 44.19 *not \$ 6.07*
900-020-10 \$140.11 *not 900-029-10 for \$39.72*
900-132-50 \$ 18.39 (was correct)

the total uncollectible amount reported was \$202.69, is correct. Clerk Vallier to correct.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER TO CORRECT THE UNCOLLECTABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX AMOUNTS REPORTED ON THE DECEMBER 5, 2007 REGULAR MEETING.

Treas Dionne noted on the Special Meeting minutes of January 16, 2008 the last paragraph, last sentence, was incomplete. Should read “ *These bills need to be reviewed by the Moran Township Road Committee before payment is made.* ”

MOTION BY HEUER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 2, 2008 AND SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 16, 2008 WERE APPROVED WITH CORRECTIONS TO THE JANUARY 16, 2008 MEETING.

REPORTS RECEIVED:

St. Ignace Fire Dept report for the month of December, 2007.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

MORAN TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR REQUEST:

Cynthia Oliver, MT Assessor is requesting the MT Board of Trustees select an alternative starting date for the March Board of Review to hear taxpayer appeals. Change the date from March 1, 2008 to Tuesday, March 11, 2008 beginning at 9:00 AM.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO CHANGE THE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW DATE TO TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2008 BEGINNING AT 9:00 AM.

SNOW REMOVAL – BREVORT COMMUNITY CENTER:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) THE SNOW REMOVAL AT THE BREVORT COMMUNITY CENTER BE DISCONTINUED DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST IN REAL ESTATE.

INVOICES:

1. Invoice from Young, Graham, Elsenheimer & Wendling, P.C., previous Township Attorney Harry Golski, was submitted for services from 10-18-2007 to 12-21-2007 in the amount of \$437.50. Due to lack of response from Attorney Golski in the year 2007, these charges are questionable.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO NOT PAY THIS BILL AND SUPR DURM TO SEND LETTER EXPLAINING.

2. City of St. Ignace, Inv # 3673 for \$1,704.00 for watermain repair on Portage Rd.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO PAY INVOICE No. 3673 FROM CITY OF ST. IGNACE FOR \$1,704. MONIES TO COME FROM WATER FUND.

3. MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION (MCRC) INVOICE # 07-166 for Pte. LaBarbe road project in the amount of \$267,051.06. MT Road Committee recommended this invoice be paid.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO PAY MCRC INVOICE #07-166 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$267,051.06. MONIES TO COME FROM ROAD FUND.

ENBRIDGE CONSENT JUDGEMENT:

Consent judgement papers received from Twp Attorney Evashevski.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO AGREE TO THE TERMS OF REPAYMENT IN THE CONSENT JUDGEMENT FOR THE ENBRIDGE MICHIGAN TAX TRIBUNAL CASE AND AUTHORIZE TWP ATTORNEY TOM EVASHEVSKI TO SIGN THE STIPULATION.

EDISON SAULT ELECTRIC CO MICHIGAN TAX TRIBUNAL CASE:

Papers on the Edison Sault Electric Co Michigan Tax Tribunal Case were presented. Treas Dionne questioned revision to taxable values for the 2005 year.

MATTER TABLED.

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATION:

Treas Dionne recommends that the Twp purchase a CD from the UP State Credit Union in the amount of \$350,000 from the Road Fund Account. The Pte. LaBarbe Road Project came way under the projected estimate. The bonds purchased for the project can be paid off after May 1, 2008, without penalty. BUT \$10,000 was paid for the processing of the bonds. Interest on the bonds is 4.7%. the CD will yield 4% interest. It is Treas Dionne's recommendation that a CD be purchased, rather than the bonds paid off. BOARD APPROVED.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

Supr Durm and Trustee, Road Committee member Spencer, attended the Mackinac County Road Commission meeting for the 2008 road projects in Mackinac County. The main project for MT is the paving of East Martin Lake Road.

Supr Durm attended a meeting in Clark Township with Supr Linda Hudson and Mackinac County Sheriff Scott Strait, concerning the purchasing of a noise meter for Mackinac County.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fire Chief Alfie Dyer of Hendricks Twp contacted Clerk Vallier concerning the 2% monies of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. Supr Durm requested a share of the 2% monies last fall. Supr Durm stated we were turned down. The request for the 2% share, by Moran Township, was to help Hendricks Twp purchase the Jaws of Life for extractions in emergencies. (Western end of Moran Township).

Chief Dyer would like Supr Durm to submit another request for the spring 2% monies. Supr Durm to contact Chief Dyer.

A request from "Scenic Michigan" to become a member of their statewide organization, was received. MATTER TURNED OVER TO THE MT PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW.

Clerk Vallier informed the Board of the next meeting for the Michigan Township's Association, Mackinac County Chapter. The meeting will take place March 3, 2008 at 7PM at the Moran Township Hall. Guest Speakers include a representative from the American Transmission Company and Sgt. John Bruno with the Michigan State Police on speed limit control in your township.

AMENDMENTS TO 2007-2008 BUDGET:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS BE MADE TO THE 2007-2008 BUDGET:

- 1. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LINE ITEM 722-900 (PUBLISHING) BE RAISED \$700 NEW BUDGET AMOUNT \$1000**
- 2. ROAD COMMITTEE LINE ITEM 446-860 (MTGS & MILEAGE) BE RAISED \$500 - NEW BUDGET AMOUNT \$1000.**

2008-2009 BUDGET DISCUSSED:

Board discussion on changes for the 2008-2009 budget.

TOWNSHIP BILLS: Checks 1670 thru 1697 + EFT's = \$13,499.82

1670	P.J. Durm, Supr	\$1131.10
1671	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	779.37
1672	Susan K. Dionne, Treas	879.37
1673	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	395.78
1674	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	731.10
1675	Barbara Alkire, Custod	46.17
1676	DSP, Inc	2500.00
1677	AT&T	223.16
1678	AT&T	69.31
1679	LaVerne Heuer, Trustee	157.00
1680	Mark A.Spencer, Trustee	157.00
1681	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	57.75
1682	Mark A. Spencer, Rd Comm	142.58
1683	Cloverland Elec Coop	153.74
1684	ESELCO	907.15
1685	Gary Revord	250.00
1686	B&B Snowplowing	385.00
1687	VOID	
1688	Sault Printing Co	10.63
1689	National Office Prod	56.08
1690	James K. Dodson	30.00
1691	Susan K. Dionne, Treas	41.00
1692	Richard Oliver, Dep Bldg Insp	15.55
1693	GBS, Inc	480.00
1694	Katherine Stephan, Dep Clerk	140.38
1695	Brown and Brown	2033.00
1696	MI Assoc of Municipal Clerks	65.00
1697	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	137.84

EFT's

IRS	1474.81
Lighthouse.net	49.95

AJOURNMENT:

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 7:05 PM EST.**

SIGNED

Kristine R. Vallier
Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk

DATED: 02-11-2008

APPROVED: 03-05-2008