

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2007

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, February 7, 2007 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: St. Ignace News Reporter, Paul Gingras and
Mackinac Bridge Authority Executive Director,
Robert Sweeney.
CITIZENS: Chuck Malcolm and Lee Ortman.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

FNB/GENERAL CHECKING	\$	2,024.19
FNB/GENERAL SELECT SAVINGS	\$	205,460.83
GENERAL TOTAL	\$	207,485.02
FNB/WATER	\$	120,718.06
FNB/WATER SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	\$	57,638.71
WATER TOTAL	\$	178,356.77
CSB/ROAD FUND CHECKING	\$	7,358.51
CSB/ROAD FUND SAVINGS	\$	101,054.10
FNB/ROAD SELECT SAVINGS	\$	238,836.40
FNB/ROAD FUND (CD)	\$	239,839.15
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION ROAD FUND (CD)	\$	110,819.20
U.P. STATE CREDIT UNION SAVINGS	\$	5.25
ROAD TOTAL	\$	697,912.61
CSB/RECREATION GOLF	\$	617.32
CSB/RECREATION CHECKING	\$	76,907.14
CSB/HISTORICAL CHECKING	\$	1,795.69
CSB/CEMETERY CHECKING	\$	20,297.21
FNB/LIQUOR INSPECTION CHECKING	\$	138.82
FNB/CURRENT TAX COLLECTION CHECKING	\$	50,634.20
GRAND TOTAL	\$	1,234,144.78

MINUTES:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 3, 2007 MEETING, AS PRESENTED.

REPORTS RECEIVED:

St. Ignace Fire Dept report for the 2006-Year.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS:

Due to Building Inspector Bob Bishop away for the winter, Assessor Dick Oliver has assumed building inspections. Oliver is incurring more costs than anticipated and more building inspections this winter due to the warm weather. Assessor Oliver should be compensated for his inspections.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO COMPENSATE ASSESSOR OLIVER \$10 PER INSPECTION PLUS MILEAGE.

Supr Durm to have Oliver submit an invoice of his inspections and mileage for payment, to be approved at March Board of Trustees meeting.

MACKINAC BRIDGE 50TH CELEBRATION:

Robert Sweeney, Executive Director of the Mackinac Bridge was in attendance to inform the Board of the tentative schedule of the Mackinac Bridge 50th Celebration scheduled to be held on July 27 & 28, 2007. Questioning if any permits were needed. There will be food vendors at the celebration, but are exempt from Moran Twp Peddler's Permits because of being non-profit organizations. Sweeney to instruct vendors to obtain this exemption from the Twp.

LIQUOR INSPECTIONS:

Due to lack of funding the Moran Twp Board of Trustees has decided to discontinue Liquor Inspections.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO DISCONTINUE LIQUOR INSPECTION IN MORAN TOWNSHIP, AND TO FORWARD TO STATE LIQUOR COMMISSION THE BALANCE OF \$138.82 IN MORAN TOWNSHIP LIQUOR ACCOUNT.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO RE-APPOINT CHARLES LAMOREAUX AND LAVERNE HEUER TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

NEW AMBULANCE:

Due to a donation of \$10,000 by the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Moran Twp share of the new ambulance being purchased is \$14,342.03.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO PAY \$14,342.03 FOR MORAN TWPS SHARE OF NEW AMBULANCE.

AMERICAN TRANSMISSION COUNTER OFFER:

Matter tabled. No response from Attorney Golski.

INTERNET SERVICE:

Lighthouse.net has requested internet service be paid by Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)
MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) THE LIGHTHOUSE.NET INTERNET SERVICE BE PAID BY EFT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$49.95 AT THE END OF EACH MONTH, TO COME FROM GENERAL CHECKING.

MORAN TOWNSHIP WEB SITE:

Reiters Web Design, Inc of Gulliver, Michigan has presented a proposal for a Web Design for Moran Township.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT REITERS WEB DESIGN, INC PROPOSAL OF A ONE TIME SET UP FEE OF \$750 AND MONTHLY FEE OF \$38 BILLED QUARTERLY.

SKI HILL PROPERTY SELECTIVE CUTTING OF TREES:

Discussed hiring Dean Reid, Forester to evaluate the timber at Doc Holle's Ski Hill for a selective cutting. TABLED.

SCHOOL ZONE SIGNS:

A phone call from a Moran Township citizen concerning speeding around the school. Supr Durm discussed the cost with the Mac Co Road Engineer Kelso. The flashing "School Zone Signs" would cost approx \$6,000 to \$9,000. The total would be split with the Twp, City of St. Ignace and the St. Ignace School System.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO PROCEED WITH INSTALLING SCHOOL ZONE SPEEDING SIGNS WITH ACCEPTANCE FROM THE OTHER ENTITIES INVOLVED.

911 SIGN UPDATE:

Supr Durm has talked with 911 Sign installer, Clayton Rooney, and Rooney has stated he will warranty his work until June. A list of corrected items was faxed to Rooney, and he said he would take care of them. Rooney is still interested in making new signs but is not interested in doing the installation of them. Discussion as to hiring someone to install signs, when needed at a payment of \$10 per sign plus mileage to install. Supr Durm to post an ad in the St. Ignace News for an interested citizen to do installations.

MTA CONFERENCE:

Supr Durm and Trustee Spencer attended the Michigan Townships Association annual Conference held in Detroit. Both reported very interesting and well attended. Main concern with MTA is the State is looking to eliminate Township governments.

INVOICES:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO PAY INVOICE SUBMITTED BY GEORGE AND JOANN FORD FOR ATTENDING PLANNING COMMISSION SEMINARS FOR A TOTAL OF \$103.40 TO COME FROM GENERAL FUND.

MACKINAC COUNTY COMMISSION PROJECTS:

INV: 06-179 (WOODS ROAD)	\$142,605.33
06-181 (BOULEVARD CULVERT)	\$ 7,216.89
07-100 (CRUSHED GRAVEL)	\$ 5,631.25
07-101 (ADJUSTMENT FOR WOODS RD)	\$ 4,550.00

TOTAL \$160,003.47

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO PAY INVOICES TOTALING \$160,003.47 TO MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION MONIES TO COME FROM ROAD FUND.

OLD BUSINESS:

Supr Durm will advertise for the sale of the Brevort Community Center in the St. Ignace News with a starting bid of \$45,000.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clerk Vallier reported the new 2007 IRS Standard Mileage Rate is 48.5 cents per mile.
2. Treas Dionne reported the U. P. State Credit Union, Road Fund CD (\$110,819.20) has been rolled over for 6 months.
3. The St. Ignace Fire Dept reports submitted for 2006 Runs included a pie chart on calls per area. Mutual Aid 1.5%, City of St. Ignace 41.5%, St. Ignace Twp 30.8% and Moran Twp 26.2%. The formula based on cost uses SEV per entity. Moran Twp SEV for 2005 was \$114,635,863, where St. Ignace Twp was \$38,015,312. Fire protection cost for Moran Twp was \$41,677.19 and St. Ignace Twp was \$22,782.73. Treas Dionne's concern is Moran Twp is paying more and St. Ignace Twp had more calls in 2006. With the Indian Kewadin Casinos operation being in St. Ignace Twp they are NOT on the tax role, and are a multi million dollar operation. Some adjustment should be made on the formula.

TOWNSHIP BILLS: Checks 1247 thru 1273 = \$13,597.36

1247	P.J. Durm, Supr	\$1131.15
1248	K. Vallier, Clerk	779.37
1249	S. Dionne, Treas	879.37
1250	R. Bishop, Bldg Insp	395.77
1251	M. A. Spencer, Zon Admr	731.10
1252	B. Alkire, Custodian	54.12
1253	DSP, Inc	2000.00
1254	Betty Kennedy, MAMC Treas	50.00
1255	AT&T	83.55
1256	AT&T	164.20

1257	Cloverland Elec Coop	146.90
1258	M.A. Spencer, Trustee	394.52
1259	M.A. Spencer, Rd Comm	59.55
1260	M.A. Spencer, Zon Admr	19.40
1261	DSP, Inc	51.82
1262	M.A. Spencer, Trustee	78.50
1263	LaVerne Heuer, Trustee	78.50
1264	ESELCO	806.28
1265	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	51.38
1266	B&B Snowplowing	140.00
1267	National Office Prod	10.88
1268	Mackinac Co Treas	29.17
1269	VOID	
1270	George Ford	103.40
1271	VOID	
1272	MTA	62.50
1273	Moran Township	5295.93

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Lighthouse.net	\$ 49.95
IRS	\$1425.54

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 7:45 PM EST.**

SIGNED: *Kristine R. Vallier* **DATED: Approved 03-07-2007**
 Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk