

**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Monday, September 27, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

1. Meeting was called to order by the Supervisor and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. **ROLL CALL** – Beverly Ikola-Trustee, Sue Roberts-Trustee, Hope Tarnaski-Treasurer\*, Jeff Randall-Supervisor, Debbie Janczak-Clerk. In addition, there were two guests present.
3. **PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES** –MOTION by Ikola supported by Roberts to approve the minutes from September 13, 2021 as presented. Motion carried.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS** –None.
5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Supervisor Randall added item 10.D. Motorized Trail Use. Motion by Randall supported by Janczak to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

6. **PETITIONS**-None.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Supervisor: Letter form the USDA Requesting candidates for their Resource Advisory Committee;  
Clerk: None; Treasurer: None. MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to accept and place on file. Motion carried.

8. **REPORTS – BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

**ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** – The Supervisor did sign the contract as well as Mr. Macomber. We will need to get his name on our website as well as an email address for him. The Clerk will contact Alan Estola regarding this.

**PAUD** – This was a regular business meeting reported the Supervisor.

**GRSWMA** – Supervisor Randall informed the board that the authority renewed Chris Ann’s contract for three years, which included a 2% increase for each year. They are in need of another dump truck and asked whether the township would be willing help in the purchase as we had in the past.

**MISCELLANEOUS** – The Supervisor reminded the board of the Gary Engstrom Run that will take place on October 9<sup>th</sup>. It will be from the City of Bessemer to the Park. Keystone Road will be closed during the event.

The DPW continue to do work on the baseball field.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**-None.

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

**LIBRARY SUPPORT** – The board discussed the importance of the library serving the residents in our area. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Ikola to pledge \$3,000 in support of expenses incurred to the City of Bessemer. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**LAND SALE REQUEST** – Jim Favero approached the board regarding township property that lines up close to his current family homestead. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Roberts to authorize the process for advertising for bids for the property. Mr. Favero is aware of the process and agrees to move forward. Motion carried by roll call vote.

MOTORIZED TRAIL USE –Steve Hamilton presented the Gogebic Range Trail Authority’s perspective and their request to be able to move forward with trail use through the township. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to authorize the Supervisor to write a letter of support from Ramsay Road west for the GRTA to present to the Michigan DNR in order connect the ORV route from Hurley, WI to Wakefield, MI. Motion carried by roll call vote.

FIRE DEPARTMENT/JAWS OF LIFE – Ironwood Township is willing to give our fire department their jaws of life as they are purchasing a newer model. MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Janczak to authorize the acceptance of the Jaws of Life and have the Clerk check on any additional insurance that needs to be put on our current policy. Motion carried by roll call vote.

- 11. **TREASURER’S REPORT** – The end of tax collection has passed and the Treasurer has had some large disbursements. She has also received \$50,000 from GRWA for the Black Jack account.
- 12. **APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS, PAYROLL & MILEAGE** –The following checks were presented for payment:

FUND	CHECK NUMERS	AMOUNT
General Fund	#15319-15337	\$11,889.88
Water Fund	#22103	\$224.76
Anvil Sewer	#	\$
Ramsay Sewer	#2806	\$18.64
West End Sewer	#	\$

MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to approve payment of bills. Motion passed by roll call vote. The Clerk gave updates on the current election process for November 2<sup>nd</sup>. AV ballot applications will be mailed next week.

- 13. **PUBLIC COMMENT AND OTHER BUSINESS**-Trustee Roberts asked about the kid’s pool in the park and where it was located. At this time because of the low water, it is very hard to see where it is. Last year, with the park renovations, there was a section designated off of the shoreline, which is dug out further than the rest. Trustee Ikola asked about how the post office progressing. Supervisor Randall will share the contact information for the USPS. Pastor Todd has heard very little about the progress. The Clerk will post the information on the website and Facebook for area residents to also send inquiries.

Lisa Hegbloom updated the board on the utility department. She has applied and deposited many payments and is getting accounts and property transfers up to date. She asked the board to consider purchasing a laptop for her to use. MOTION by Randall supported by Tarnaski to approve of the purchase of a laptop for the utility clerk. Motion carried by roll call vote.

The Clerk is looking into new phones for the offices. They have not been updated in over fifteen years.

None of the township board received notice of the MTA meeting that was held last week.

The Supervisor will be gone for the October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- 14. **ADJOURNMENT** – MOTION by Tarnaski supported by Randall to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried.

These minutes are respectfully submitted: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Debbie Janczak, Clerk