

Escanaba Township meeting held, August 14, 2017, at the Township Hall.

Supervisor Ken Brunette called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and led in the Pledge of Allegiance and a short prayer. Other Board members present: Clerk Patricia Beauchamp, Treasurer Linda Trombley-Robitaille, Trustee Alfred Gareau, and Trustee Raymond Hughes.

Trustee Hughes moved to approve the Agenda with additions, seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to accept the minutes of July, seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille presented the Financial Report:

Mead Checking (19151)	6,147.86
Mead Saving (19151)	235,444.37
Mead Saving (12978)	929.97
Building Fund C/D	115,062.25
Water Fund C/D	42,278.08
Cemetery Fund	9,385.61
Cemetery C/D	10,824.61
Liquor Law Fund	5,363.96
Liquor Law C/D	16,345.15
State Bank Sp. Assmt.	535.03
Jaws Equipment Fund	10,455.07
FD Ladder Truck	157,195.00
T & A Fund	292.59
Summer Tax Checking	4.78
Summer Tax Saving	78,724.83
Winter Tax Checking	141.67
Winter Tax Saving	84.28

Clerk Beauchamp moved to accept the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

Communication: DNR

Public Comments: Plamena King

Unfinished Business: The emergency signs that Barbara Barron wanted on the Agenda. She was not present to discuss them. The Board stayed the same and getting them through the County Board and not with the Civil Air Patrol.

The Township Board received a check of \$30,000. from Ford River Land Company LLC for 40 acres of the Township property off 0.8 Lane.

The Board accepted the counter offer of \$3,500. for 2.5 acres. Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to accept the bid of \$3,500 for 2.5 acres with the purchaser paying for the closing. This was seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to get a surveyor to map out two sections of this land to prepare for future sales. This motion was seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

The FOIA coordinator will be the Clerk and she can have an assistant if she is not available.

Wayne Samson was present to discuss his blight complaint that was signed by his neighbors. Mr. Samson has not done anything to start cleaning up since last month. He says he is ill and his legs don't work as well as before. Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to extend his clean up until September 11th, seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

The tot lot at Lake Bluff will be looked into again for the residents that want one.

Charter would like to have a contact person at Besse's Fire Hall and Fire Chief Matt Rian and Pete DeMay will work with them.

New Business: Barbara Barron requested the signs coming into Escanaba Township be put on the Agenda. She was not present to discuss it.

The Inghram's were present to discuss the Bichler Gravel crushing from 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Supervisor Brunette will go down by the pit and their homes to see what the dismal reading are.

Clerk Beauchamp requested that the notice for a regular meeting for the Planning Commission should be under news not an ad in the Daily Press or Action News.

Public Comments: Kim Ingram

Board Comments: The Website will be looked into soon. The Supervisor mentioned that there is now water at the Cemetery. A cap was put on the well so this is good. Treasurer mentioned that the trees should be trimmed at the Cemetery.

Fire Chief Matt Rian mentioned they went to Coplan fire and Pete's Auto Body fire. The Fire Chief mentioned that they are going to have an Open House, September 10, from 12-4 p.m. The Fire Chief is setting up entertaining things for the public. Fire Chief mentioned that there has been some damage at the Besse Fire Hall with burnouts. The Police were called and they are watching.

Delta County Commissioner Dave Rivard gave his County Report: August 1st was their normal meeting, Administrator's Report, Trade Agreement, Dark Store, Phil Strom report, Cornell 14,000 acres, CUPPAD, and made a comment on how fast our Fire Department gets to a fire.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to pay bills, seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion carried.

Clerk Beauchamp moved to adjourn at 8:50 p.m., seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion carried.