

Escanaba Township meeting held, March 20, 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 TrombleyRobitaille, Trustee Alfred Gareau and Trustee Raymond Hughes. Trustee Gareau moved to accept the Agenda as presented, seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion carried.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to accept the January 30, 2017 Public Hearing, February 13, 2017 regular meeting, and February 13, 2017. Trustee Gareau seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Trustee Gareau moved to accept the Financial Report as presented:

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| Mead Checking (19151) | 2,731.53 |
| Mead Saving (19151) | 125,113.02 |
| Mead Saving (12978) | 922.71 |
| Building Fund C/D | 114,735.76 |
| Water Fund C/D | 41,947.57 |
| Cemetery Fund | 7,060.15 |
| Cemetery C/D | 10,824.32 |
| Liquor Law Fund | 6,489.26 |
| Liquor Law C/D | 16,324.77 |
| State Bank Special Assmt. | 534.20 |
| Jaws Equipment Fund | 11,653.55 |
| FD Ladder Truck | 157,064.14 |
| T & A Fund | 229.62 |
| Summer Tax Checking | 97.87 |
| Summer Tax Saving | 40,533.15 |
| Winter Tax Checking | 21.23 |
| Winter Tax Saving | 143,819.50 |

Clerk Beauchamp seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Communications: Delta Solid Waste Management, FOIA

Public Comments: Rick Chenier, Michele Chenier.

Clerk Beauchamp asked for line items to be as follows:

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| + Computer | \$1,169.65 + | | |
| Summer Helper | \$2,400.00 | | |
| +Construction | \$1,568.27 | | |
| +Street Lights | \$2,822.21 | -Roads | \$8,130.61 |
| Total | \$8,130.61 | Total | \$8,130.61 |

Trustee Gareau moved to change the line items as explained, seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion carried.

Trustee Gareau moved to recess this meeting at 7:45 p.m. and go into our Budget Hearing. This motion is seconded by Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille. Motion carried.

Supervisor Brunette resumed the regular meeting at 8:20 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS: The Assessor has been asking for a new computer being his is outdated. Trustee Gareau moved to purchase a computer for the Assessor no higher than \$900.00. The Board decided that the Assessor has to communicate more with the Board and the Treasurer. He should meet once a month with the Treasurer to get the exemptions and veterans records to match. He would still get the \$400 for supplies each year. This motion is seconded by Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille. Motion carried.

The Franchise agreement for We Energy was signed and sent to the company.

Dan Bender was present to discuss the land the township owns on 0.8 Lane. The Committee of Jack Penegor, Ray Hughes, and Dan Bender will get an idea of a cost before we commit.

NEW BUSINESS: Dan Robitaille thanked the firemen on their many hours of training they put in and work they do without pay. Dan mentioned he cannot be on the fire department so his job is to help raise money for fire extinguishers, paint for the old fire hall, and just help raise money for extra needed supplies. The Board says a BIG THANK YOU TO DAN and LINDA. The extinguishers are now in.

A Bulletin Board was asked for by Rick Chenier for the Boy Scouts to put their trophies in. Clerk Beauchamp mentioned if a person is up for an Eagle Scout Award they could build it and we will supply the materials.

Fire Chief Matt Rian gave his fire report of seven call outs last month. The Firemen also installed 71 smoke detectors free for people from Holy Family Church. Fire Chief also mentioned that there will be pipe line training which will be good training for the guys. Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille mentioned that our Insurance fellows were here and they asked for an update on our active firemen. Also we are getting new fire numbers and they are already paid for and they will be great for mapping.

Public Comments: None.

Board Comments: Trustee Hughes mentioned that Dale Richer's property is zoned correctly. Delta County Commissioner Dave Rivard was not present. Supervisor Brunette mentioned that Tom Rymkos was plowing corners at Lake Bluff. This will be discontinued for we are paying the Delta County Road Commission for this. If anyone has a complaint they can call the Road Commission themselves.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to pay bills, seconded by Clerk Beauchamp. Motion carried.

Clerk Beauchamp moved to adjourn at 9 p.m., seconded by Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille. Motion carried.

Patricia J. Beauchamp
Escanaba Township Clerk