

MULLETT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROPOSED
MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2015
TOPINABEE, MICHIGAN 7:00PM

The Mullett Township Board of Trustees met at the Mullett Township Hall in Topinabee, Michigan on January 6, 2015 at 7:00pm. All Board Members were present: Mary Anne Gale, Rachel Osborn, Kathy Flory, Dennis Dombroski and John Brown.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Gale with Trustee Dombroski leading the Pledge of Allegiance

Emily Myerson of Gaylord, Consultant to Department of Natural Resources, gave a presentation regarding the establishment of the Inland Waterway Trail and the advertising which is being used to promote the inland waterway of Emmett and Cheboygan Counties.

Public Comment was opened at 7:35pm and was closed at 7:40pm.

On a motion by Kathy Flory to approve the minutes of December 2, 2014 with a second by John Brown. The motion was carried.

Treasurer's report was as follows:

General Fund 101	\$400,833.86
Fire Fund 206	\$465,441.45
Liquor Fund 212	\$723.42
Light Fund 219	\$32,931.88
Library Fund 271	\$35,699.02
Tax Accounts	\$437,237.38

Expenses for Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2014-2015

General Fund 101	\$114,385.79
Fire Fund 206	\$32,878.79
Liquor Fund 212	\$258.36
Light Fund 219	\$36.21 (Bennett Street Light only)
Library Fund 271	\$9,346.68

Motion by Mary Anne Gale to remove "Mobi-Mat" from the website in the August 12, 2014 minutes and also the April 28, 2014 minutes and replace with the word "Path-Mat", seconded by Dennis Dombroski and the motion was passed.

Mike English, Fire Chief of Topinabee, made the following report for runs in December, 2014: Incidents – 3.

RESOLUTION OF MULLETT TOWNSHIP BOARD TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO BEGIN SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR LIGHTING PURPOSES.

Excerpts of a minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mullett Township, County of Cheboygan, Michigan, held at the Mullett Township Hall on the 6th day of January 2015 at 7:00 o'clock p.m.

Present: Gale, Osborn, Flory, Brown and Dombroski
Absent: None

Upon Motion by Dennis Dombroski and support by John Brown, the following resolution was adopted by roll call vote:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Mullett Township believes that it is in the public interest to provide lighting for certain roads and streets located within the Township and to serve certain real property located on said roads and streets in said Township which **are identified as all parcels of real estate located on or contiguous to M-27 from the Mullett Township boundary line with Inverness Township on the north and terminating at North Park Trail on the south and all parcels of real estate which are within (1/2) mile westerly and (1/2) mile easterly of that portion of M-27 described herein whether or not located on M-27;** and

WHEREAS, the Mullett Township Board further believes that it is in the public interest to provide lighting by a special assessment district to the aforesaid parcels of real property located on the identified roads or streets located within the Township; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a special assessment district established by the Township to provide collection of funds for a lighting district in the area, but said district shall be disbanded by further resolution of the Township Board; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the free holders so affected and the Township that such lighting be paid for by special assessment to ensure effective collection of funds for such lighting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Township Board of the Township of Mullett, in accordance with Public Act 246 of 1931, does hereby agree to hold a public hearing to hear objections to the lighting district, the creation of a Special Assessment District for the same, and the estimate of costs and assessments to be held in accordance with Public Act 246 of 1931, on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 6:45 p.m.;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk are hereby directed to provide appropriate notice in accordance with said Act, to all affected property owners;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the first hearing to be conducted with regard to the establishment of a special assessment district for the proposed lighting district, shall be in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and all other applicable Michigan Statutes.

Upon roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

AYES: John Brown
Dennis Dombroski
Mary Anne Gale
Kathy Flory
Rachel Osborn

NAYES: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: None

The Supervisor declared the motion carried, the Resolution duly adopted.

CERTIFICATE

1. I am the duly elected Township Clerk, and
2. The foregoing is a true and exact copy of the excerpts of minutes of a regular meeting of the Mullett Township Board held on January 6, 2015.

Dated: January 6, 2015

Rachel Osborn
Mullett Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP BOARD RESOLUTION TO ADOPT POVERTY EXEMPTION INCOME
GUIDELINES AND ASSET TEST

WHEREAS, the homestead of persons who, in the judgement of the supervisor and board of review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under the General Property Tax Act, and

WHEREAS, the township board is required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211.7u) to adopt guidelines for poverty exemptions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to MCL 211.7u that Mullett Township, Cheboygan County, adopts the following guidelines for the supervisor and board of review to implement.

The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year.

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

1. Be an owner of and occupy as a homestead the property for which an exemption is requested.
2. File a claim with the supervisor or board of review, accompanied by Federal and state income tax returns for all persons residing in the homestead, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.
3. Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of identification if requested.
4. Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested, if requested.
5. Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management
6. The maximum asset value that the person can own is \$30,000. This excludes home, one vehicle and their land.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the board of review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption, unless the board of review determines there are substantial and compelling reasons why there should be a deviation from the policy and federal guidelines and these are communicated in writing to the claimant.

The foregoing resolution offered by Board Member Mary Anne Gale and supported by Board Member John Brown

Upon roll call vote, the following voted AYE: John Brown, Dennis Dombroski, Mary Anne Gale, Rachel Osborn, Kathy Flory

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted

Clerk

I, Rachel Osborn, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Mullett Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the township board of said township at the regular meeting of said board held on January 6, 2015, at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

Rachel Osborn
Mullett Township Clerk

January 6, 2015

Motion by Kathy Flory to borrow \$40,000.00 from the Straits Area Federal Credit Union Account which is dedicated to the Parking Lot Savings in order to transfer said amount to the Library Fund Savings, seconded by Dennis Dombroski, motion passed.

Motion to pay the bills offered by John Brown with a Dennis Dombroski second, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Osborn

Mullett Township Clerk

01-06-2015