

MULLETT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING FOR APRIL 12, 2021  
VIA ZOOM AT 6:30 PM

The Mullett Township Board of Trustees met remotely via Zoom due to the Cheboygan County Emergency Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were Supervisor Laz Surabian, Clerk Denise Ackerman, Treasurer Brenda Bowes, Trustee Mike Goerke, and Trustee Brett Lindgren. All members of the Board were attending from their homes in Mullett Township, Cheboygan County.

Public Comment was opened at 6:31 pm and closed at 6:32 PM. There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Trustee Mike Goerke, with support by Trustee Brett Lindgren, that the minutes for the Regular Meeting on March 8, 2021 be approved. The motion passed.

Emma Cook from Enbridge made a presentation about Line 5.

Treasurer Brenda Bowes made a motion, with support by Trustee Mike Lindgren, that the Agenda be approved. The motion passed.

Brett Lindgren made a motion, with support by Brenda Bowes, that we pay the bills. The motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report for March 2021 is summarized as follows:

General Fund 101	\$1,000,730
Fire Fund 206	\$650,460
Liquor Fund 212	\$1,426
Street Light Fund 219	\$24,457
Library Fund 271	\$57,223
Tax Accounts	\$6,973
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS:</b>	<b>\$1,741,270</b>

The Clerk's Expenditure Report for March 2021 is summarized as follows:

General Fund 101	\$48,860
Fire Fund 206	\$85,943
Liquor Fund 212	\$118
Street Light Fund 219	\$997

Library Fund 271	\$5,233
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$141,152</b>

Trustee Brett Lindgren reported for the Burt Trail Committee that discussion ensured that signage was needed on the trail and continuing concern over the shoulder work to be done on Topinabee Mail Route Road by the Road Commission that would not accommodate the future Trail.

Trustee Mike Goerke reported for the Oakhill Cemetery Committee that the 2021-2022 Budget had been set and approved. Mullett Township's contribution for 2021-2022 will be \$4500.

James Hilyard reported on behalf of the Technology Committee that the basic outline of our new website had been designed and was ready to go out for RFQ. The timeline for vendor selection would be about 5 weeks.

The Board reviewed the following maintenance projects that were completed in March: New Bulletin Board at East Mullett Hall, New Gutters at Mullett Town Hall, new slip-proof epoxy floors in the Topinabee Park Restrooms, and the beginning of the reseeding at Topinabee Park with the removal of three overgrown bushes.

Chief Mike English made his monthly Fire Report, reporting 23 runs for March with average dispatch to enroute time of 1.33 minutes and average response time of 10.22 minutes.

Fire Chief John Parrott reported 2 runs for the East Mullett Fire Department in March, with two training sessions.

Under Old Business, Supervisor Surabian reported that there was a change order for the Topinabee Parking Lot improvements for an additional \$7,647 over the \$32,000 the Board approved in the February meeting. Consumers Power also quoted a price of approximately \$11,000 to move the utility pole across the road to accommodate the improvements. Brenda Bowes made a motion, with support by Mike Goerke, that the Board allocate an additional \$20,000 to the project. The motion passed.

Brenda Bowes reported on the delivery of a dumpster for Township trash.

Under New Business it was reported that All Purpose Exteriors will begin repainting the Depot as soon as weather permits.

Laz Surabian reported on new insurance coverage recommended by our insurance agent and risk assessment manager to increase our liability coverage to 2,000,000 and to acquire cyber insurance covering us for \$250,000. Those increases would cost approximately an additional premium of \$2550.

Brett Lindgren made a motion, supported by Mike Goerke, continue with our policy not to rent the Townhall at this time. We will revisit the matter at our June 14, 2021 meeting. The motion passed.

Future Board meetings will continue to be held via ZOOM until we received further clarification.

Supervisor Surabian reported on the negotiations regarding the Burt Township Fire Agreement. Burt Township has asked for justification for our request for an increase in the contract. Supervisor Surabian will respond to Burt Township's request. We will wait for Burt Township's response.

Call to the Public was offered at 8:33 PM and closed at 8:36 PM.

Under Board Comments, Supervisor Surabian suggested reviewing past plans for a path at Boy Scout Park.

Motion to adjourn was offered by Brett Lindgren, with support from Mike Goerke, at 8:46 PM. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Ackerman  
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