

MULLETT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING FOR MAY 10, 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 6:33 PM with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance led by County Commissioner Ron Williams.

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 6:36 PM and closed at 6:37 PM. There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Trustee Brett Lindgren, with support by Treasurer Brenda Bowes, that the minutes for the Regular Meeting on April 12, 2021 be approved. The motion passed.

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

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

REPORTS:

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

General Fund 101	\$945,174.76
Fire Fund 206	\$658,717.01
Liquor Fund 212	\$1,409.43
Street Light Fund 219	\$24,541.37
Library Fund 271	\$91,028.13
Tax Accounts	\$5,364.63
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS:	\$1,726,235.33

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

General Fund 101	\$32,291.52
Fire Fund 206	\$2,267.40
Liquor Fund 212	\$118.42
Street Light Fund 219	\$1,007.97
Library Fund 271	\$3,107.65
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$38,792.96

Trustee Brett Lindgren reported for the Burt Trail Committee informing us of shoulder work that will be done in 2021 that could affect the Burt Trail and its future costs.

Treasurer Brenda Bowes reported for the Maintenance Department:

- The Pauley Road Storage Unit will be cleared out and any salvageable items will be stored at the Old Schoolhouse.
- Brett Lindgren made a motion, supported by Mike Goerke, that the Board approve having Stanley Steamer of NW Michigan strip and wax the VCT floors in the Townhall and foyer at a cost of \$2175. The motion passed.
- A motion was made by Brett Lindgren, with support by Brenda Bowes, to approve the purchase of flushes for the Park Restrooms.

Clerk Denise Ackerman reported that the Board had gratefully accepted a donation of \$250 from the family of John Tiesworth for the dedication of a park bench at the Depot in memory of their brother. They will install a plaque on the bench of their choice in his memory.

James Hilyard reported on behalf of the Technology Committee that the RFP for the design of our new Township website had been sent to six vendors with experience in municipal website development.

Topinabee Fire Chief Mike English made his monthly Fire Report, reporting 12 runs for April with average dispatch to enroute time of 3:42 minutes and average response time of 6:16 minutes.

East Mullett Fire Chief John Parrott reported 8 runs for the East Mullett Fire Department in April, all medical runs.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Surabian reported that he had responded to Burt Township's request for more information. Tabled until June 14, 2021, awaiting their response.
- Supervisor Surabian has asked for several estimates and recommendations from engineers on how to address the problems at Woodruff Launch. Tabled until June 14, 2021, waiting for their reports.
- Clerk Denise Ackerman reported to the Board that our installation of BS&A software, along with their hardware requirements, is progressing on schedule, with a go-live target of end of August.
- Supervisor Surabian is continuing discussion with ADT to streamline our security costs.
- We have pushed back the timeline for painting the Depot until after the Parking Lot Improvements are completed (target date is June 25) to avoid any dust or dirt that might hamper the painting.
- Our fire insurance coverage is renewed in early June and the Supervisor is in consultation with the Fire Chiefs regarding increasing our coverage to include new vehicle replacement.
- Mike Goerke made a motion, with support by Brett Lindgren, that the Board continue the hazard pay of \$100 per election inspector for working the May 4, 2021 Special Election under current pandemic conditions. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Clerk Denise Ackerman presented new three-year contracts for Corbin Plowing, Cronan Tidy Lawn Care, DAS, and Northern Home Elements. Brett Lindgren made a motion, with support by Brenda Bowes, that the Board approve the contracts. The motion passed.
- Supervisor Laz Surabian presented a request by Dollar General Development for consideration to bring a Dollar General Store to Mullett Township. After discussion, the Board indicated that they were not interested in pursuing this request.
- The Library staff requested that they be allowed to continue offering wireless printing for the community under the new Library hardware configuration. The Board will continue that practice as long as appropriate security measures are in place.
- Mike Goerke made a motion, with support by Brett Lindgren, that \$5000 be allocated to make initial improvements to the Old Schoolhouse Park to include, but not limited to, two new basketball hoops, resurfacing and relining of the tennis courts and basketball courts, and fill dirt to eliminate any unsafe surfaces. The motion passed.
- Denise Ackerman made a motion, with support by Brenda Bowes, that we resume in-person meetings for the June 14, 2021 monthly Board of Trustees meeting, and those thereafter, and that all future meetings be moved to Mullet Township Hall in Topinabee until social distancing requirements have been lifted, also offering ZOOM access for those interested in attending remotely. The motion passed.

Call to the Public was offered at 8:44 PM and closed at 8:49 PM.

Motion to adjourn was offered by Brett Lindgren, with support from Brenda Bowes, at 8:56 PM. The motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Ackerman
Mullett Township Clerk
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