

GRANT TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**Held at the Lac La Belle Fire Hall
6314 Superior Street
Lac La Belle, Michigan 49950
Minutes for Tuesday, June 12th, 2018**

Call to Order

Supervisor Ken Stigers called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Present were Supervisor Ken Stigers, Treasurer Karen Karl, Clerk Kelly Coltas, Trustee Ned Huwatschek and Trustee Art Davis. Motion to adopt Agenda put forth by Coltas/Huwatschek, all were in favor 5-0 motion carried.

- Motion to approve Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of 05/08/18, the special meeting of May 24, 2018, and work session of 06/07/18, put forth by Coltas/Davis, all were in favor motion carried 5-0.

Supervisor's Remarks

Public Hearing: The Public Hearing for the Lagoon Project will be held on Wednesday June 20th, 2018 at 10:30 am at the Township Hall in Copper Harbor. Clean up days for Copper Harbor will be Saturday and Sunday, June 16th and 17th from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Clean up days for Lac La Belle will be on Saturday and Sunday, July 21st, and 22nd, 2018.

There will be 3 dumpsters and one scrap metal trailer for each location. Summer hours for Garbage and recycle in Copper Harbor are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:00pm until 5:00pm.

Monthly Reports

Financials

- Motion to approve the financial Reports that were available, put forth by Coltas/Huwatschek, the Board was polled, Ayes- 5, Nays-0 Absent-0 Motion carried 5-0.

Utility Board

See old business and new business

DDA

Just discussions, no motions.

The Copper Harbor Parks Committee

There is considerable work to do out at Hunters Point because of the storm damage from last winter. We have been waiting until Aaron Rogers came back to town with his crew. He is now back and has agreed to start next week and get it ready to go and do all repairs. Tom Jones who has been a wonderful help to us out on Hunter's Point will no longer be able to help due to health issues. The Committee will meet next week to discuss further park issues.

Rich Jamsen was discussing the 10th street Park and the old rails for boat removals. The rails are broken and need to be removed as they are no longer

used, also the winch house is a hazard and should be removed as well. The Supervisor will speak with Brian from MJO when they are here for the sewer project. They will have the big equipment in town and be able to pull out the rails.

Lac La Belle Parks Committee: The committee is waiting for the third committee member to arrive after the winter before their 1st meeting. They need to clean up the area they want to improve to see what they need to do. They have spoken with Miranda Davis who will help them with design and grant applications.

Public Safety

CH Fire Dept.

No Report

LLB Fire Dept.

No Report

Old Business

Kayak Launch: The Supervisor is working with Doug Rich and Wayne Burnett for a lease agreement between the Township and the DNR. We will need that in place by this fall.

The Supervisor wanted to start by clearing up any misinformation put out by the Gazette. This was a failure of the liner of the large lagoon, but no raw sewage was released, it leaked out through many feet of gravel and sand as well as being almost fully treated. The DEQ and the Health Department were immediately notified and felt no need for an announcement because of the time of year.

We are going to be modifying the small lagoon to accommodate all the sewage treatment until the large lagoon can be relined. There will be a Grant from the DEQ to help with the modifications.

The Liners from both lagoons must be replaced as they are at the end of their life cycle. This will be a two year plan and two separate projects.

We must come up with an emergency plan in case of a catastrophic failure of the second lagoon, if it were to fail we would be forced to do a patch.

New Business

Leak Detection: We don't know where the leak occurred in the large lagoon, but Dr. Charles Young from Michigan Tech has a radio technique that could find where it is. The DEQ would like the information if we can get it. The cost of this is \$120.00 per hour and about 18 hours or so, should not exceed \$2,500.00.

- Motion to hire Dr. Charles Young to help locate where the lagoon leak was, put forth by Stigers/Huwatschek, not to exceed \$2500.00. The Board was polled, Ayes- 5, Nays-0 Absent-0, motion carried 5-0.

During the modification we are not discharging the small lagoon until the modifications are complete. Since we are nearing capacity it will be necessary to pump out the lagoon and transport the waste to the lagoon owned by the County at Mount Horace Greely. This will start On June 22nd, and need to be done daily for about one week. It will be hauled out by FSO 3 to 4 loads per day at a cost of about \$2950.00 per day and .06cents a gallon to the county for disposal and treatment at their plant. It is possible that this could go on longer than a week as

well depending on how quick the modifications can be done. This is all grant eligible.

- Motion to have the Supervisor sign the contract with FSO to haul sewage. Put forth by Coltas/ Davis, the Board was polled, Ayes- 5, Nays-0 Absent-0, motion carried 5-0.

The Project was estimated at \$120,000.00 but the contract with MJO came in at \$80,000.00 so there is some leeway for sewage hauling.

For the special meeting for the Lagoon projects it is necessary to hire a court reporter to take the minutes for this meeting. The only one available for this a Susan Edwards-Schellgell, the cost is \$50.00 per hour mileage and 6.50 per page for transcript. The total estimate is between, \$650.00 to \$1000.00.

- Motion to approve the hiring of Susan Edwards-Schellgell as the court reporter for the Special meeting on June 20th, 2018 at 10:30 am at the Township hall. Estimated cost will be up to \$1,000.00. Put forth by Coltas/Davis, the Board was polled, Ayes- 5, Nays-0 Absent-0, motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment

Connie Eddy wanted to thank the Board for all the work they are doing in this difficult time.

Mr. Valsa wanted to know how much this was going to cost. The modification possibly up to 120,000.00 with almost half in the form of a grant. The relining and equipment updates for both lagoons 1.5 million. The project will be broken up into two separate projects over two years and each possibly with up to \$500,000.00 of principle forgiveness, but we will not be sure of any of this until the project is done.

- Motion to pay audited bills for June in the amount of \$76,335.44 and adjourn Coltas/Huwatschek, the Board was polled
Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
All were in favor, motion carried 5 -0.
Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Ken Stigers
Grant Township Supervisor

Kelly Coltas
Grant Township Clerk