

**Held at the Grant Township Hall
230 Gratiot Street
Copper Harbor, Michigan 49918
Minutes for Tuesday July 10th, 2018**

Call to Order

Supervisor Ken Stigers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the assembly in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Present were Supervisor Ken Stigers, Treasurer Karen Karl, Clerk Kelly Coltas, and Trustee Art Davis and Ned Huwatschek.

- Motion to adopt Agenda put forth by Coltas/Ned, all were in favor 5-0 motion carried.
- Motion to approve Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of 6/12/18 and work session of 07/05/18, put forth by Coltas/Davis, all were in favor motion carried 5-0.

Supervisor's Remarks

Board of Review will be on Tuesday July 17th, 2018 from 10 until 11ish

Clean Up Days:

Copper Harbor Clean up Days went well and Lac La Belle's will be held on July 21st, and 22nd, from 8:00am to 4:00 pm each day.

Lac La Belle will also be holding a rummage sale the same days and will be held in the Hall from 9:00am until 4:00pm.

Financials

- Motion to approve the financial Reports, put forth by Coltas/Huwatschek the Board was polled, Stigers-Yes, Karl-Yes, Coltas-Yes, Huwatschek-Yes, Davis-Yes, Ayes- 5 Nays-0, Motion carried 5-0.

Utility Board

We are moving on with the Sewer Project.

We have put a post-up for an operator assistant to help Tom, and we will be interviewing soon.

DDA

Met two weeks ago, one project is the overhead door at the gas station and sprucing up the welcome sign.

Talking about forming a snow trail committee, for snow bike and cross country ski trails.

In September we will be looking for two new members for the DDA.

The Copper Harbor Parks Committee

Copper Harbor Parks Committee Meeting, 7/1/2018

Present: Kelly Coltas (Chair), Staci Gibson, Jane Jamsen (Secretary), Rich Jamsen, Erica Vye, Miranda Davis

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 P.M.

Agenda and other items addressed:

- 1) The storm damage to Hunter's Pt. includes fallen trees and problems with the boardwalks. Aaron Rodgers' crew will start this week and Hunter's Pt. should officially be open sometime next week. The "closed" signs remain up for now. In addition, largely due to the storm but also to age, the 6th St. Dock needs new Planking. Funding from the DDA will not be available until next year and other funds this year are committed to the sewer project.
- 2) Erica Vye will start an interpretive geologic walk for the 6th St. dock in the near future and hopes to include a scavenger hunt aspect. She is also interested in doing something similar at Hunter's Pt.
- 3) MJO will soon submit a bid for the removal of the tracks at the 10th St. dock. In the future, signs might be erected to commemorate the history of that dock area.
- 4) A large white pine tree in the Community Park needs to be replaced. The committee decided that planting another white pine seems to be the best option.
- 5) There is a problem with fireworks being set off at Hunter's Pt. even though it is township property and fireworks are specifically listed as forbidden on the entry sign. Relying on county law enforcement to monitor this has been difficult because of the lack of staff. One suggestion is to put up a separate sign at the boardwalk area just before the 4th of July each year to highlight this regulation.
- 6) There is some concern about parking of private docks at the 10th St. dock. The Harbor Haus dock usually is there for the winter at no charge. The committee recommends that the township consider assessing a fee for the storage of any private dock with the additional requirement that the structure be removed by early May.
- 7) The Parks Committee supports the request of the Copper Harbor School Board that the township continue to mow the school yard. The School Board maintains the tennis courts and the Playground Committee maintains the playground itself but since the school yard is on township property, the grass mowing should remain under township maintenance duties.
- 8) The kayak launch will be at the Copper Harbor Marina. The township will work out a lease agreement with the DNR so that the joint Grant Township/DNR project can proceed.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Jansen

Lac La Belle Parks Committee:

Waiting for the last member to return. They have been working with DNR at the Marina on transient boaters that use the marina as a private docking system and stay all summer.

Public Safety

CH Fire Dept.:

The regular monthly meeting of the CHFD was held on Wednesday July 4th, 2018. Department members participated in the morning parade, followed by the cook-out in the park during kid's games and at Dark with fireworks. It was a full day including 2 medical runs during the activities.

At our mid-month meeting for June was held on Wednesday June 21st, 2018.

Discussed events in June and the upcoming 4th events.

The slide-in water unit was placed into the side by side for the summer, the unit was pump tested and everything was in good working order.

There was on page out for the fire Department for downed wires. The medical unit had a number of page outs for the month.

LLB Fire

No Report

Old Business

Kayak launch: The Supervisor is working with Doug Rich, Wayne Burnett and Jon Sullivan. Doug will be drafting up the agreement between the Township and the DNR then our attorney will go over it. All will be determined in October if we get the grant or not.

Sewage Lagoon Project: Modification to the small lagoon (#2) are all finished and working, with MJO only needing to do a few small things yet on their punch list. The SRF plan has being submitted to the State we will know in October where we stand and if accepted the work will start in June.

Leak Detection in sewage Lagoon #1:

Dr. Charles Young has been hired to attempt to find the original leak. He has a calibration system that was set up and once the computer has calculated everything we might know where it is. If we can find it we would attempt to patch it in case another leak in Lagoon #2 occurred. It is only for an emergency backup.

Hauling Waste from Lagoon#2: We had to Haul 302,400 gallons of sewage out to the old Air Force base lagoons. It had to be done to help with the modifications to the small Lagoon to give it the ability to start functioning. It did work and the lagoon is working as it should be.

New Business

No new Business

Public Comment

Jim Valsa wanted to remind everyone about Rummage sale in Lac La Belle at the same time as Clean up days.

Also have been questions on why the orange bags went up.

The general fund pays over \$70,000.00 a year in waste removal, the bag sales covers only a small portion of that and prices have not gone up on bags for over 10 years but the price of waste removal has gone up every year.

Cyd Faassen was wondering if we should sell large paper bags for recycling, this is an idea we can present to Waste Management who will be at next month's meeting.

Phoebe wanted to mention that the two new attendants for waste removal are very helpful and nice.

- Motion to pay audited bills for July in the amount of \$17,2567.15 and adjourn Coltas/Karl, the Board was polled
Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
All were in favor, motion carried 5 -0.
Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Ken Stigers
Grant Township Supervisor

Kelly Coltas
Grant Township Clerk