

**Held at the Grant Township Hall  
230 Gratiot Street  
Copper Harbor, Michigan 49918  
Minutes for Tuesday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

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/Huwatschek all were in favor 5-0 motion carried.
- Motion to approve Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of 12/11/18 and work session of 1/3/19, put forth by Coltas/Davis, all were in favor motion carried 5-0.

**Supervisor's Remarks**

Happy New Year, we are entering into our busy season for the Township. We have a lot going on with the ongoing lagoon project, resubmitting the Kayak Grant and Phase 3 of the Keweenaw Point Trail.

**Financials**

- Motion to approve the financial Reports, put forth by Coltas/Huwatschek the Board was polled, Ayes- 4, Abstention-1 Nays-0, Motion carried 4-0.
- Motion to Deputy Treasurer Misty Filsinger be a signer for checks for the Township, put forth by Karl/Stigers, the Board was polled, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, absent: 0. All were in favor, motion carried 5-0.

**Utility Board**

Discussed budge concerns and things that need purchasing. Ken Stigers, Karen Karl and Kelly Coltas spoke with Tom Trisiak from Umbaugh associates and he would like to be involved with the Budget process.

**DDA**

Discussed about winter grooming and the Brockway Challenge (the snow bike race). Also discussed paying groomers and moved to donate \$1000.00 to the Brockway Challenge and \$500.00 for Christmas lights.

**The Copper Harbor Parks Committee**

Rich Jansen was asking about 10<sup>th</sup> Street and if the Board had decided about removing the tracks and motor winch.

**Public Safety**

**CH Fire Dept.:**

The regular monthly meeting of the CHFD was held on Wednesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. Not much going on during the winter months: all extrication tools were operated on Truck #1, Generator and chainsaw were also operated.

SCBA unit #9 and #10 were rechecked for firefighter candidates. Used air cylinders were refilled and placed back on the truck.

It was noted the maintenance on Building generator and fluid checks.

At our mid-month meeting for December was held on Wednesday December 19, 2019. Brake release valve on Truck#1 was replaced.

Repacked 3 inch hose on Truck #1 cold water rescue suits, rescue sling placed on truck #4, floating pump and tank pump removed for winter.

The changeover on Mercy #8 ambulance has taken place this past week. Old ambulance now sits outside till disposed of by the Township. The newer ambulance is a great addition to our medical unit.

There were no fire page outs this past month, medical had a number of page outs.

### **LLB Fire**

Monthly report for November and December 2018

Fire Calls: 1-11/8/18 tree on wire near Deer Lake Trail pole 139

Service Calls: 0

EMS runs (FD) assists: 0

Monthly meeting/training

November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 6:00pm

Tanker discussion- Red Power Diesel and Pomasl working on quote

Trucks serviced on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

Ran trucks and pump on truck#1 and checked equipment

December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018-6:00pm

Report on truck service from Red Power Diesel

Fund Balance discussion

Tanker discussion

Present and discussed MSP Ready Preparedness program-tabled

Discussion on UPPCO lack of response to tree on wire November 9<sup>th</sup>

Ran trucks and pump on truck#1- check equipment

EMS Runs 1<sup>st</sup> responders: 0

### **Old Business**

We are changing the scope of the land acquisition grant of 2018.

- Motion to approve the change of scope to the land acquisition grant of 2018 put forth by Coltas/Stigers, the Board was polled, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, absent: 0. All were in favor, motion carried 5-0.In

Unfortunately even though we scored well we did not get the Kayak Launch Grant. To that end we will reapply for this year's round of Grants, which must be submitted by April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019.

- Motion to reapply for grant for the Copper Harbor Kayak Launch, in time for the April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 deadline. Put forth by Coltas/Davis, the Board was polled, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, absent: 0. All were in favor, motion carried 5-0.In

Sewer Update:

We are changing of the Sewer Lagoon project, going from a two phase, two year project to a single phase one year project. We qualify this year for a 75% principle forgiveness and we may not qualify next year so we want to take advantage of this but we must change the contract with OHM.

- Motion to approve a contract modification with OHM put forth by Davis/Coltas the Board was polled, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, absent: 0. All were in favor, motion carried 5-0.In

## **New Business**

The Federal mileage has gone up to .58 cents a mile. To keep up with the times we will put in for a change.

- Motion to change mileage reimbursement up to the Federal level of .58 cents a mile, put forth by Coltas/Davis, the Board was polled, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, absent: 0. All were in favor, motion carried 5 -0.In

Board of Review Training will be on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Houghton.

Budget Workshop will be held on Wednesday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 from 10:00 am-1:00pm and it will be posted.

Eagle Harbor Township is working on a Master plan for Brockway Mountain Summit. They are looking for input for this plan. Contact Supervisor Stigers with any ideas and he will forward them on to Eagle Harbor. This must be done by January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

## **Public Comments**

Margaret Kirby was interested in what the land acquisition was for.

- Motion to pay audited bills for January in the amount of \$34,457.77 and adjourn Coltas/Davis, the Board was polled  
Ayes: 5  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 0  
All were in favor, motion carried 5-0.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

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Ken Stigers  
Grant Township Supervisor

Kelly Coltas  
Grant Township Clerk