



**Grant Township Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2022, 6:00 pm**
Grant Township Community Center
220 Gratiot Street Copper Harbor, MI 49918
Phone: (906) 289-4292

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present - Art Davis, Scott Ochodnicky, Ned Huwatschek

Absent - Scott Wendt

Zoom - Misty Filsinger

Letter of Resignation dated June 13th 2022 from Scott Wendt read by Ned Huwatschek

Agenda/Minutes Additions and Approvals

Motion to Approve the June 14, 2022, Agenda, as amended to include Scott Wendt's letter of resignation under new business – put forward by Art D, seconded by Ned H, all in favor, Motion carries 3-0-0

Board unanimously Abstains the May 10, 2022, Minutes – 0-0-3, to be Approved at July Board meeting

Supervisors' Remarks and Correspondence read by Ned Huwatschek

Copper Harbor Dumpster Days June 18 and 19th

LLB Dumpster Days July 23 and 24th

Run the Keweenaw Event 2022 July 9th and 10th

KEWEENAW FOREST ACQUISITION AND CONSERVATION PROJECT

1. John Molinaro - Consultant thru TNC
 - a. 58 Interviews
 - b. 4 Public Meetings
 - c. Numerous Group meetings (ATV Club, South Shore, Keweenaw Land Trust, Snowmobile Club, etc)
 - d. Over 1,900 surveys (and climbing)

- e. Planning Committee Meeting #1
 - i. Brainstorm and ranked Principles and Values:
 - 1. Management
 - 2. Governance
- f. Next Meeting in Aug/Sept 8+ hrs
- g. Will Post any minutes if sent
- h. Will Post website when up and running

Supervisor's Open Office Hours

CH	June 11	10am-12
LLB	None	

Brief Public Comment

Gina Nicholas speaks briefly regarding the KEWEENAW FOREST ACQUISITION AND CONSERVATION PROJECT

Motion to Accept Letter of Resignation from Supervisor Scott Wendt put forward by Art D, seconded by Ned H, all in favor, Motion carries 3-0-0

Department Reports

- 1. Financial
 - a. Treasurer Report – provided via Zoom by Misty Filsinger
 - i. General fund balance is \$557,081.24
 - ii. Fire dept. fund balance is \$457,819.89
 - iii. Copper Harbor DDA fund balance is \$111,191.70
 - b. Clerk Report - None
- 2. Utility Board
 - a. **Motion to Approve Purchase of Services from Traverse Engineering Services PC up to \$3950 max for Wellhead Protection Plan Update** put forward by Ned H, seconded by Art D, – **Roll Call vote** - Art D Aye, Ned H aye, Scott O aye, Misty F absent, Motion carries 3-0-0
 - b. Open position available: Nominations appreciated
- 3. Public Safety
 - a. Copper Harbor Fire Department - None
 - a. Lac La Belle Fire Department – Fire Chief Richard Olson provides report and submits for the record
 - b. Keweenaw Sheriff - None
 - c. First Responders - None

Standing Committee Reports

1. Downtown Development Authority (DDA) - Chairman Scott Ochodnicki provides brief update: DDA appointed Misty Filsinger as new Secretary
2. Board of Review – None, still needs alternate Board Member
3. South Shore Association - Jim Valsa provides brief update
 - a. First meeting June 15th, bonfire is June 21st, roadside trash pickup to be announced
 - b. Lac La Belle Dumpster Days 2022 is Saturday/Sunday July 23rd and 24th
4. Parks Committees
 - a. Lac La Belle – Jim Valsa provides brief update regarding new electricity at Haven Falls Park
 - b. Copper Harbor – Bob Pokorski provides brief update
5. Copper Harbor Improvement Association - None
6. **Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Committee – Presentation provided**
 - a. Sam Raymond, Zane Hyrkas and Jeff Ratcliffe present initial design concepts; Lengthy public discussion followed
 - b. **Public invite presentation to be held at Grant Township Community Center from 6pm-8pm on Monday June 27th**

Unfinished Business

1. Recreational License Agreements Update
 - CHTC - Hunter's Point II Trail Agreement DNR Approval, status OK, to confirm everyone has current copies
2. Keweenaw Point Trail Update - Guest Zane Hyrkas from OHM provides update
 - 100% design completed and submitted to DNR
 - EGLE Joint Permits in submitted and in process review

New Business

1. Motion to Accept Letter of Resignation from Scott Wendt accepted earlier in meeting
2. **Motion to Approve Audit Contract from Susan D. Sanford, CPA PLLC up to \$9600 total (with \$9000 from general fund and \$600 as DDA portion)** put forward by Ned H, seconded by Art D – **Roll Call vote** – Art D aye, Ned H aye, Scott O aye, Misty F absent, Motion carries 3-0-0
3. Requested Agenda Item - Mary Ann Quackenbush discusses Porta Potties – Board had previously discussed this at May meeting, and it was decided that we would not renew for this summer season, and decision holds
4. Ned H discusses upcoming repairs to be done at LLB pavilion

5. Ned H requests that Bob Meyers update Board on possible brush pile burning at old LLB garbage dump
6. **NEW Board Meeting Schedule Resolution #18-2022**

Motion to Approve Resolution for Board Meeting Schedule – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ned H, all in favor, Motion carries 3-0-0 and resolution is adopted

Public Comment Period

Public comments regarding posting recycling hours posted, new trash bags, LLB docks cleanup event funded by KORC, etc.

- ❖ Policy/Rules for Public Comment
 - The public comment portion of the public meeting shall last approximately 20 minutes.
 - Any Resident/taxpayer wishing to address the Board, must be first recognized by the Chair, then identify themselves by name, address of residence.
 - Each speaker will be given three (3) minutes to comment.
 - Each speaker will be given six (6) minutes total for public comment over the course of the meeting.
 - Comments are to be directed solely to the board not to audience members..
 - No official Board action will take place on items presented in the public comment period. Matters addressed publicly will be taken under advisement, with the Board responding directly to the person at a later date or the Board will respond during a future public meeting as an agenda item

Financial Wrap UP

The Clerk's Office reports this month's bills to be approved:

Total: \$100,860.44

Motion to approve this month's expenditures put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D - **Roll Call Vote** - Art D aye, Ned H aye, Scott O aye, Misty F absent, Motion carries 3-0-0

Motion to adjourn – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, all in favor, Motion carries 3-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm

*Vote tallies recorded in Meeting Minutes as Aye/Yes - Nah/No - Abstain
(Absent excluded from tally)*

APPROVED