

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF IRONWOOD
Regular meeting May 14, 2007

At 4:00 p.m. Supervisor Estola called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance, and roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Supervisor Rick Estola, Treasurer Jyl Olson, Clerk Gayla Salmi.
TRUSTEES: Marilyn Partyka, Frank Genisot John Suutla, and Bernie Brunello.

ALSO PRESENT:

Elaine Erickson, Karen Mallum, Erik Guenard, Gordon Erickson, and Frank Rolniak.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA:

Additions to:

- General fund vouchers: Kim Mattson- Ins. Deductible.
- Correspondence: letter from Robert Butler.
- New Business: right away easement- Wal-mart area.

A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mrs. Partyka to accept the amendments as presented. The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes regular meeting: April 23. 2007.

General fund vouchers 28481-28529 totaling \$77560.27.

Water fund vouchers 7443-7447 totaling \$1267.33

Waste water vouchers 1024- 1026 totaling \$10571.99.

A motion was made by Mr. Genisot supported by Mr. Suutala to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried.

- **REPORTS:**

Library representatives, Elaine Erickson, and Karen Mallum presented a plan to update the Carnegie library – as it has not been updated since it was built. Also noting that there are 598 adult library cards and 199 youth library cards issued to township residents, which represents $\frac{1}{4}$ of the total card distribution. The library has 2 full time staff, 2 part time employees in circulation, and 1 part time janitor, and one teen group coordinator. The Library board is planning on an addition the library consistant with the erra of the building. Which will make the building fully handicap assessable, and allow for bathrooms, and offices.

- Gogebic Community College representative Erik Guenard reported that there are 24 apartments, which holds 96 people. Mr. Guenard noted that the Township is charging a commercial rate for water usage \$39.50 per apartment. He also noted that they were at 50% occupancy last year. Mr. Guenard was requesting a reduction in the water rates, as it is a community college.

REPORTS (Continued)

- Mr. Estola noted that residents are requesting dust control already this year. Noting that some of the contractors who are working near some gravel pits are requesting the same, and the cost would be shared. Dust control has been ordered by the Supervisor through the Road Commission.
- Mr. Estola also reported on a Wal-mart pre-construction meeting held in the past week. He noted that the contractors are being held to very tight reign, and are making efforts not to disrupt the neighborhood.
- Mr. Rolniak reported on two fires which the department responded to. Also requested a purchase order to order four sets of turnout gear. A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Genisot to authorize the purchase of four sets of turn-out gear. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote. Reported that the Mother's day brunch cleared \$900.00.
- Mr. Genisot reported on the Planning Commissions upcoming meetings, working on the Gravel pit ordinance, and the access management issue.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Hugo and Vivian Synkelma requested a street light to be installed near their home. It was noted that they could order one through xcel energy. A motion was made by Ms. Olson supported by Mr. Genisot to allow them to order the street light on their own- and the xcel would bill them directly for the street light. The motion carried.
- Reino Maki request to return the cemetery lot. Reimbursement cost to be \$310. A motion was made by Ms. Salmi supported by Ms. Olson to allow for the return of the lot. The motion carried.
- Mr. Robert Butler resigned from the Planning commission – effective immediately.

NEW BUSINESS:

- GIWWA Resolution number 68-2007 to amend inter-local agreement. A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Suutala to accept and authorize signatures on inter-local agreement with GIWWA. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.
- GIWWA re-appointment of two representatives – terms expire 6/30/07. A motion was made By Mr. Genisot supported by Ms. Salmi to re-appoint Mr. Estola and Mr. Brunello. The motion carried.

New Business (continued)

- The first June board meeting will be rescheduled for Tuesday – June 12, 2007 due to a conflict with the Gogebic Count Chapter MTA, special meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Ms. Olson to reschedule the regular meeting as stated. The motion carried.
- A request for a right-away easment for the GRWA to cross over or under the railroad tracks at the Wal-mart site. A motion was made by Mr. Genisot supported by Ms. Salmi to authorize signatures on the easement. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

The solid waste proposals were not brought to the board at this time, a special meeting will be held on May 21, 2007. A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Genisot to hold a special meeting on May 21, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Gordon Erickson addressed the board regarding waste water rates at the PAUD district. At 5:05 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Suutala to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Rick Estola, Supervisor

Gayla Salmi, Clerk