

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF IRONWOOD
SPECIAL MEETING
December 2, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: At 11:00 a.m. Supervisor Mattson called the special meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance and roll call.

PRESENT: Kim Mattson, Supervisor, Jyl Olson Treasurer, Gayla Salmi, Clerk.

TRUSTEES: Bernie Brunello, Bob Fredrickson, and Kathy Maki.

ABSENT: Steve Boyd.

ALSO PRESENT: James Simmons Jr, John Garske from Coleman Engineering.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Simmons offered that he didn't like the time of the special meeting.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA: None.

PURPOSE OF MEETING:

- o Budget.
- o Appoint two members to planning commission.

BUDGET WORKSHOP:

Supervisor Mattson and Mrs. Maki reviewed the budget committee meeting:

General Fund issues:

Income from logging to be set at \$20,000.

Mrs. Maki added that the National Forrest monies will come to \$6,325 vs. the \$2,500 shown in last budget workshop. She confirmed this amount with the County Treasurer.

The committee suggested the following regarding officials wages:

Clerk and Treasurer to receive 3% increase on statutory salary and retain the utility wages of \$4,250.

Supervisor's salary is frozen at 2008 amount.

A discussion was held regarding the supervisor salary was held, It was decided to allow 3% increase in six months, since she is not experienced in her new position. There will be no review unless the statutory duties are not fulfilled.

An insurance representative has been contacted to assist in reducing the insurance cost, and will attend a meeting in the near future.

Possible change in employer contribution toward pension. Will negotiate with union.

The committee agreed that roads should be high priority to put a plan in place, and any extra funds directed there.

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A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Fredrickson to accept the committee and subsequent board recommendation on the wage package as follows:

Clerk and Treasurer to receive 3% increase on statutory wages only, to retain the utility duties and pay of \$4,250.

Supervisor is to receive 2008 salary with no increase for six months. In six months, unless Ms. Mattson is not fulfilling her statutory duties, there will be a 3% increase without review. The motion carried.

Ms. Salmi reviewed the Perpetual Care Fund, the Township Improvement Fund, and the Special Grants Fund Budgets. Explaining that until last year, the auditor noted that these three funds should have a budget as well. In August 2008, the three fund budgets were passed.

RESOLUTION #12 – Resolution to hold public hearing on General Appropriations Budget.

Ms. Mattson asked if the board was in agreement with the budget, as reviewed noting we could have a public hearing on this at any time. Friday the 12th of December was agreed upon. A motion was offered by Mrs. Maki supported by Mr. Brunello to adopt Resolution #12 General Appropriations Hearing to be set for December 12, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Brunello, Fredrickson, Maki, Mattson, Olson, & Salmi.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Boyd.

Planning Commission appointment:

Ms. Mattson recommended Frank Genisot and Jason Hofstede as new planning commission members. A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Ms. Olson to appoint Mr. Genisot and Mr. Hofstede to the planning commission. The motion carried.

Public comment:

Mr. Simmons that there would be repercussions for passing the budget.

At 11:53 a.m. a motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Ms. Olson to adjourn the special meeting. The motion carried.

Kim Mattson, Supervisor

Gayla Salmi, Clerk