

Charter Township of Ironwood  
Regular Meeting  
February 18, 2009

At 4:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Supervisor Mattson with the pledge of allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Kim Mattson Supervisor, Gayla Salmi Clerk, Jyl Olson Treasurer.

**Trustees:** Steve Boyd, Bernie Brunello, Bob Fredrickson, Kathy Maki.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Lou Bonagura, Arvo Toolanen, Eric Sharp, James Simmons.

**Public comment:** None.

**Amendments to agenda:**

General fund:

Beever Tree Service- \$750.00.

Communications: Letter from EDC, and two proposals from Coleman Engineering.

A motion was offered by Mr. Boyd supported by Mrs. Maki to accept the amendments to agenda as presented. The motion carried.

**Consent Agenda:**

Minutes February 9, 2009 regular meeting.

General Fund Vouchers: 30677- 30711 totaling \$13,720.84.

Water Fund Vouchers: 7706 totals \$881.00.

A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mrs. Maki to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion carried.

**Reports:**

**GRWA:** Through GRWA Wilcox Engineering submitted an application on behalf of the township water system for 3.5million grant loan application. This has been submitted toward the stimulus package.

**9-1-1:** Mr. Fredrickson reported that the 9-1-1 committee is requesting a question be placed on the May 09 ballot. A \$1.65 per month surcharge per phone line will be requested.

**Planning commission:** Access management will hold a special workshop on the Highway Corridor Access management on March 18, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. here at the township hall.

**Roads:** Mr. Brunello reported that Michigan Tech donated a software package which monitors roads and assists with planning. Mr. Brunello suggested that Mr. Bastman attend the meetings at Michigan Tech for GPS training. Mr. Garske, Coleman engineering mentioned that the information has to be keyed in at first. He felt that Coleman Engineering would be able to allow the township to use a laptop computer as needed.

Mr. Garske is getting the information into the county urban task force- to be added to the stimulus money.

**Old Business:**

Recycling issue. No action taken.

**New business:**

Rachel Peck has had a three month review of performance. The review was favorable, and a .50c per hour increase in pay is in order. A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Fredrickson to increase Mrs. Peck's wages. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

**Communications:**

Received:

- Jeff Randall- requesting an energy audit- needs 25000 square feet – his township is short. Wants our township to join in the audit. A motion was offered by Mrs. Maki supported by Ms. Olson to join the Bessemer Township energy audit. The motion carried.
- Gogebic County Council of Veterans Affairs- letter of appreciation. A motion was offered by Mr. Brunello supported by Mrs. Maki to place the letter on file. The motion carried.
- Gogebic County EDC- letter of appreciation. A motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Ms. Olson to place the letter on file. The motion carried.
- Coleman Engineering proposal for assistance with parks and recreation grant application. A motion was made by Mr. Fredrickson supported by Mr. Boyd to approve and authorize signatures on the contract for parks and recreation. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.
- Coleman Engineering proposal for assistance in creating a roads plan. A motion was made by Mr. Boyd supported by Mr. Fredrickson to approve and authorize signatures on the contract for parks and recreation. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

TO:

- Michigan Works- summer youth program.
- Fire Chief- re: SCBA agreement.
- Joe Kariious- RE: progress edition. An exception was taken to this letter, corrections are to be made and brought back to next meeting.

**Public comment:** A constituent noted that we would have to amend our budget due to the increase in secretary's wages. The supervisor responded that the increase in wages was budgeted for.

**Adjournment:**

At 5:01 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Brunello supported by Mr. Fredrickson to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried.

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Kim Mattson Supervisor

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Gayla Salmi Clerk