

ST. IGNACE TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 8, 2022

The regular meeting of the St. Ignace Township Board of Trustees was held on June 8, 2022, at the Township Hall. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Danielson.

Present: Supervisor Danielson, Treasurer Massey, Clerk Oja, Trustee McKenzie, Trustee Mitchell

Absent: None

Public Comment:

John and Ellen Bronson were present with concerns about the erosion being caused by the change in direction of Hobans Creek in Evergreen Shores and the sign that was posted regarding "beach access". They requested that the sign be temporarily taken down or removed. Supervisor Danielson informed them that this was a Road Commission issue, not township, and they would have to speak with them to have any changes done. Shawn Borowicz, who works for the Road Commission, stated he would look into that and get back with the Bronsons.

Minutes:

Clerk Oja submitted the minutes for the May 11, 2022, regular meeting. Motion by Massey, supported by Mitchell, to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Massey presented the Treasurers Report for May and amended April report. Motion made by Danielson, supported by McKenzie, to accept the Treasurers report as presented. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Report:

Shawn & Tammy Borowicz were present to discuss the plans for their property located at 2986 Mackinac Trail. They were denied a zoning permit and wanted to let the board know their plans for the property. They will be getting with the Zoning Administrator to discuss further plans.

Supervisor Danielson gave the board an update on the current zoning issues in the township. Regarding the Frey building matter (former Kabaret Building), a court hearing was held on May 13th and the Supervisor was at that hearing to express the townships disappointment as to how long this matter has been going on and nothing has been done. Soon after that hearing, the inoperable cars and a van that was parked outside the building were removed. Another court hearing was scheduled. The property owner still intends on building and/or remodeling the structure.

Clerk Report:

Clerk Oja submitted the June expenses for approval:

General Fund:	\$35,073.56	Payroll:	\$7,594.01	
Road Fund:	\$0.00	ACH Payments:	\$5588.48	Payroll DD
Recreation Fund:	\$57.20	MI w/h Tax:	\$ 0.00	
Sewer Fund:	\$319.52	FICA Tax:	\$1,306.12	
Total:	\$35,450.28			

Motion by Danielson, supported by Mitchell, to accept the expenses as submitted. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Dust Control Agreement

A Joint Resolution for Dust Control between St. Ignace Township and Marquette Township was presented to the Board for dust control on Simmons Road. This is due to half of the road being in St. Ignace Township and the other half being in Marquette Township. The agreement is to have St. Ignace and Marquette Township enter into a six year agreement where St. Ignace Township pays for dust control on Simmons Road in even years, starting in 2022 and that Marquette Township would pay for dust control in odd years starting in 2023.

The Dust Control is for the entire road bed, not just the center and the agreement shall expire in 2027 and if working satisfactorily for both parties, it may be renewed.

Motion by Danielson, supported by Massey, to approve the Joint Resolution for Dust Control between St. Ignace Township and Marquette Township for Simmons Road, Resolution No. 2022-07. Roll call vote: Yes – 5, No – 0. Motion carried.

Newsletter

Clerk Oja presented the Board with a draft of the 2022 Township newsletter for review. Treasurer Massey suggested checking with National Office Products on the cost for printing the newsletter. The Board agreed the draft copy was good to print.

Cemetery

Clerk Oja stated she has had a few requests for the purchase of cemetery lots. The Board requested that the township hold off any selling any lots until the cemetery can be mapped correctly. Trustee McKenzie stated he would continue to help with the location of lots and possibly assist with burials. Clerk Oja will contact other townships to ask if they had mapping done at any of their cemeteries and how this was done. An amended Cemetery Ordinance will be done once more is known on the mapping and costs of burials, etc.

New Business: None

Correspondence:

Spring Cleanup Day was discussed. Clerk Oja will look into the process of possibly getting this done in the fall and how other townships have done it.

Adjourn:

Motion made by Danielson, supported by Mitchell, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sheri L. Oja, Clerk

Date: 6-10-22