

Escanaba Township meeting held May 14, 2018, at the Township Hall.

Supervisor Ken Brunette called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Alliance along with a short prayer. Other Board members present: Clerk Patricia Beauchamp, Treasurer Linda Trombley-Robitaille, Trustee Alfred Gareau, and Trustee Raymond Hughes.

Trustee Gareau moved to accept the Agenda as presented, seconded by Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille. Motion carried.

Trustee Gareau moved to accept the April 2018 minutes, seconded by Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille. Motion carried.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille presented the Financial Report:

Mead Checking (19151)	11,583.04
Mead Savings (191510)	267,347.65
Mead Savings (12978)	930.96
Building Fund C/D	115,716.03
Water Fund C/D	42,646.11
Cemetery Fund	6,894.29
Cemetery C/D	10,824.32
Liquor Law Fund	6,926.98
Liquor Law C/D	16,388.02
State Bank Sp. Assmt.	335.51
Jaws Equipment Fund	10,558.88
FD Ladder Truck	153,427.85
T & A Fund	24.80
Summer Tax Checking	5.14
Summer Tax Saving	44.05
Winter Tax Checking	10.82
Winter Tax Saving	364.74

Clerk Beauchamp moved to approve the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion carried.

Communications: DATA RENEWAL

Public Comments: None

Unfinished Business: The pavilion doors will be discussed at our June meeting.

The Civil Infraction is still in the Planning Commissions hands.

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille moved to renew Dan Bender as our Realtor for another year, this is seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

New Business: Mike Synder from the Health Department was present to discuss the well contamination in the area on Co 416 J Road and Carroll's corner. Forty-Six people were in attendance and wanted answers. Why the water is brown and stinks worse than cow manure? Mr. Synder mentioned that clay can turn the water brown. Pam Farrell and a representative from Verso were present to discuss this as well. Verso had a substance they put on the farmers land which smelled terrible but acted as a fertilizer. They said this did not contaminate our wells but will quit putting this out on the farmers' fields in Escanaba Township. Frank Nelson a well driller in the area was present also and said the people need answers for the cost of drilling another well is very expensive and could it happen again. Supervisor Brunette mentioned that we have a Water Fund set up but is not close to paying for a water system at this time.

A speed survey is going to be completed on Co Road 426 M.5 Road, the supervisor will take care of this.

Road Projects: Paquins—0.8 Lane will have the prep done this year and double seal coat next year. D-39 will have a single coat completed, as well as Co Road 416 J Road.

No copier will be purchased at this time for the office. We will use the ones we have and not purchase a larger one.

Our next meeting will be June 11, 2018, at 7:30 p.m.

Public Comments:

Township Board Comments: The Treasurer mentioned the \$20,000.00 we just received from Besse Foundation for the Fire Department.

Fire Chief Matt Rian gave his report of the month. They had 7 call outs, 2 were mutual aide, 4 grass fires and a RV/School bus fire. Brian Hughes stepped down from being the Treasurer for the Fire Department and Kent King will take his place. Fire Chief Rian thanked Dan Robitaille for the volunteer help for getting extra donations for the fire department.

Delta County Commissioner Dave Rivard was present to give his report of the months. He mentioned the new administrator Phil Strom, SkyWest is taking over the flights for Delta airlines, the jail will be open in six months.

Trustee Hughes moved to pay bills, seconded by Clerk Beauchamp. Motion carried.

Clerk Beauchamp moved to adjourn at 9:45 p.m., seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

Patricia J. Beauchamp
Escanaba Township Clerk