

Escanaba Township Board Meeting
February 12, 2018

Supervisor Ken Brunette Called the Meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance and a short prayer was led by Ken Brunette.

Roll call: Supervisor Ken Brunette, Treasurer Linda Trombley-Robitaille, Trustee Al Gareau, Trustee Ray Hughes. Excused Clerk Pat Beauchamp.

Trustee Ray Hughes Motioned to except the agenda with the additions of Dan Bender under New Business. Seconded by Trustee Al Gareau. Motion Carried.

Motion to except The January 8th 2018 meeting minutes was made by Trustee Al Gareau, seconded by Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille. Motion Carried.

Motion to except the Financial Report was made by Trustee Al Gareau Seconded by Ray Hughes. Motion carried.

Communications: Delta Solid waste annual landlord report, Thankyou note from the people working on the house signs.

Public Comment: Robert Barron

Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille motioned we move to A new business after the public comment.

Unfinished Business: Railing for front steps Bid was except from Barry King for \$1100.00. Motion was made by Trustee Hughes to except this bid, seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

FOIA Information was tabled until next month.

Dan Bender: A bid was made for 100acre parcel of the township property, by was rescinded. They want it rezoned to multifamily units before they make another offer. Mr. Bender would like to see a gate put up and signed private property. There are complaints from the neighbors about people there who don't belong there. Trustee Gareau suggested talking to the police and see if they will patrol the area more. Treasurer Trombley-Robitaille agrees there should be signage put up.

New Business: Terry Burkhardt: The prosecutor denied the request for the blight ordinance prosecution.

A civil infraction is handled by an officer of the township. The party can be fined, if not cleaned up maybe fined again. If it is a misdemeanor where you could get possible jail time with clear evidence. Some of our ordinances should be civil and some should be misdemeanor.

A motion by Treasure Trombley-Robitaille to have Mr. Burkhardt go ahead and restructure the ordinances over the next few months. Seconded by trustee Gareau. Motion approved.

The caution light in front of the Township Hall isn't working. Trustee Gareau figures it is just a bulb. Supervisor Brunette also wants the lens changed when the bulbs are put in. Trustee has the bulbs and will take charge of getting new lens and the installation.

Web site, the web site is not being updated. Supervisor Brunette will contact Patty Woerpel to see why this is not happening and what can be done to correct this.

Next meeting March 19, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

Public comment: Robert Barron

Township Board Comments Trustee Hughes there will be update on solar coming .

Fire Dept. report: There was 3 calls. 1 was a house fire. 1 was mutual aid and the third was branches on power lines on the Chaison Rd.

There was Meth. Lab training. 3 sets of gear were ordered at \$5700. Looking for gloves this will take care of a \$6000.00 grant.

They have 2 new thermal imaging masks. They are looking for a grant for a \$20,000 cascading system. Once they have the system it will cost \$800-\$850 a year to maintain.

Mutual aid is out of the township. There is an agreement between the other fire dept. in the area if they need help we go the location and render aid. We do not charge for gas and don't get anything from the insurance. If we need help it is returned.

Delta County Commissioner Dave Rivard gave his County report: February 6th meeting Which covered the progress on the jail. Wind mill zoning, Drug Court, county treasure update on taxes. Dark store legislation New jail software, Pathways non motorized trail. And Salt Bill.

There was no questions.

Trustee Gareau motioned we pay bills. Trustee Hughes seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Trustee Gareau motioned to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Hughes. Motion approved. Adjourned at 9:15