

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
Grand Marais Community Center  
Grand Marais, Michigan  
November 13, 2001 7:00PM

**Board Members Present:** Lee Durrwachter, Lori Savage, Jim Seibert, Rose Benmark, Lois Leavenworth

**Public Attendance:** Eight visitors.

**Public Comment:** Opened at 7:01 p.m. Closed at 7:03 p.m..

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Leavenworth, and seconded, to approve agenda. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence/Petitions/Appointments/Resignations:** Correspondence was read. No petitions. Motion by Seibert and seconded, to accept the resignation of Sheri Shafer from the Planning Commission. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. Motion by Seibert and seconded, to accept the appointment of Sheri Shafer and Sherie Bates to the Zoning Board of Appeals for three year terms effective 12/1/01 through 12/31/03. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Minutes of previous meetings:** Motion by Seibert, and seconded to accept minutes of the October 9, 2001, Regular Board Meeting with changes and to accept the minutes of the November 6, 2001, Special Board Meeting as written. 5 - ayes. Motion carried. Supervisor signed and dated the minutes.

**Treasurer's report:** Accepted by Supervisor and subject to audit.

**Payment of bills:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to pay bills as presented and to pay the Water Dept. bills as funds are available - 5 ayes. Motion carried.

**Request by Mike Beek to purchase 14.1v Nikida Drill.** Motion by Seibert and seconded to purchase a 14.1v Nikida battery operated drill for up to \$300. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** A) DNR/Burt Township Airport Land Swap. Update – no action taken. B) Collapsed Pavilion at Coast Guard Point: Update – no action taken. C) Youth Center Addition: Update unavailable. No action taken. D) Change Status of Seasonal Employee to Part-Time Employee: Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to change Tim Burkhardt's status with Burt Township from seasonal employee to part-time employee effective immediately. Conditions of continued employment are that he be certified as a water operator within one year or his job will be abolished. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. E) Budget Review: Motion by Seibert and seconded to change the monthly procedures in the water fund accounting to fit the requirements of the RDA and the recommendations of the auditors. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. F) Payroll Revision: Motion by Seibert and seconded to change the pay periods from the 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of each month to every other week starting January 2002. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. G) Women's Club C/C Cleaning Agreement: Discussion. No motions. H) ACRC Snowplowing Update: Discussion. No motions. I) Project Status: Discussion about Harju Road and Sidewalks. No motions.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A) Alzheimer Group Request: Motion by Seibert and seconded to allow the Alzheimer's Association to use the community center for a 2-day training program entitled "UP Family Caregiver Awareness Training." All deposits and charges will be waived for this activity. The dates and times will need to be approved by the Township Office. 4 – ayes; 1 - nay. Motion carried. B) Authorize Supervisor to work with School Regarding EMS Staffing: Motion by Seibert and seconded to authorize the Supervisor to work with the school to resolve the potential problem with Ambulance Corp staffing. To empower him to offer financial assistance to the School to establish a Health-Emergency Medical Training program through our RLF in the form of a grant. To inform the School Board and Administration that the Burt Township Board will support and work with them to find a solution to this Community problem. To also inform the School Board and Administration that the Township Board feels that Nancy Weston is fully licensed and qualified to teach this course and that we highly recommend that she be hired for this position. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. C) Authorize to pay (2) assistants for Treasurer: Motion by Seibert and seconded to pay (2) assistants \$7.50 per hour to work for up to 6 hours with the Treasurer during tax time 2001. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. D) Community Center Heat: Motion by Savage and seconded to ask Bowman to look into heating the Community Center building and make recommendations if changes need to be made. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. E) Holiday Decorations: Motion to authorize the purchase of up to \$1100 in replacement bulbs and brackets for the 2001 Holiday Season. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Time recorded: 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

**Lori Savage**

Lori Savage, Township Clerk

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_, 2001

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Lee Durrwachter, Township Supervisor

These minutes are unapproved until approved by the board and signed by the Township Supervisor.