

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
**Grand Marais Community Center**  
**Grand Marais, Michigan**  
**January 11, 2005 7:00PM**

**Present:** Lee Durrwachter, Jim Seibert, Gordon Kniss, Lois Leavenworth  
Twenty-four visitors.

**Absent/Excused:** Lori Savage

**Public Comment:** Opened 7:01 pm - Closed 7:06 pm

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Leavenworth, and seconded, to approve the agenda. 4 – ayes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A) **Park Camping Rate Increase** – Discussed at Special Board meeting. **Motion by Leavenworth, and seconded, to raise the park camping rates across the board by \$2.00 per site effective April 1, 2005. One dollar of the increase will be used for park improvement – the first to be the road. 4 – ayes. Motion carried.**
- B) **Community Center Deposit Waiver Request** – Motion by Seibert, and seconded, to waive the deposit for use of the Community Center for the Burt Township School Class of 2006 for the January 14, 2005 homecoming dance.
- C) **Well Financing Resolution** – Motion by Seibert, and seconded, to adopt a resolution that states "Whereas, Burt Township is submitting a pre-application to the MEDC for funding of a new water well to replace a contaminated well. Now therefore be it resolved, that the Burt Township Board will use \$80,000 of Burt Township Water Department funds toward the local match. And further resolves, that the Burt Township Board commits the use of \$50,000 of its CDBG Revolving Loan Funds toward the project. The Township Board will submit the required documentation and forms to the MEDC for the use of the CDBG Revolving Loan Funds with the full application or sooner if requested by the MEDC. 4 – ayes. Resolution adopted.
- D) **Other**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A) **Alley Vacation Update** – TABLED
- B) **New Projects for Park** – TABLED
- C) **Policy Revisions:**
  - 1. **Purchase Requisition Forms** – Tabled until next meeting when there is a form available.
  - 2. **Trustee Insurance Policy** – Motion by Seibert, and seconded, to change the wording of the policy to read that trustees insurance would be reimbursed if they have insurance other than Township insurance.
- D) **Monthly Reports/Newsletter Alternative:** Discussion
- E) **Other**

**Correspondence:** Correspondence was read. Seibert commented on an article received from Senator Carl Levin concerning extra hours required to complete and EMT course and possible reduction of services offered to ambulance patients. Seibert also mentioned letter from the DNR concerning property taxes. Supervisor Durrwachter commented on a notice of a meeting of MDOT concerning ALTRAN bus service and funds that are available only to the ACRC and ALTRAN. Kniss commented on phone calls he received about snowmobile traffic on H-58 east.

**Applications/Resignations/Appointments:** None

**Minutes of previous meetings:** Motion by Seibert, and seconded to accept the minutes of the December 14, 2004, Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board and the Special Meeting of the Township Board held December 21, 2004. 4 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report:** Accepted by Supervisor and subject to audit. Account balances: General - \$12,410.28; Payroll – 1,435.36; Improvement - \$31,987.81; Youth Fund - \$108.59; Marina - \$2,095.14; Ambulance - \$5,927.66; Water Receiving - \$3,073.24; Water Operating - \$1,368.55; Water Bond & Savings - \$99,665.78; Fire Protection - \$34,065.69; Woodland Park - \$28,106.78; Harbor - \$68,522.24; Medical Center - \$1,233.46; Tax Account - \$5,588.91; Beach Access - \$32,250.97; Revolving Loan Fund - \$82,210.90; Fuel System - \$5,267.78.

**Payment of bills:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to pay bills as funds become available. 4 - ayes. Motion carried. Clerk will add information to Bill sheet to notate if a payment is an annual one.

**Refunds:** None

**Monthly Reports:** Ambulance – need to check on insurance exposure when ambulance is out of service and another county ambulance is requested to stand by or take our runs. Seibert reported that the CERT program is currently \$10,000 behind in reimbursement payments. Zoning Administrator Bates stated a Land Division class could be held here free of charge and she can make the necessary arrangements. Mike Beek was recognized for his latest water certification upgrade to level S2. Because of the on the job and educational requirements needed to elevate to the next level, this is the highest level of certification that Mike can achieve in Burt Township at this time. Durrwachter said that he would discuss with the Board to take in to account for their consideration his latest accomplishment at Budget review time.

**Adjournment:** Savage walked into meeting just in time to be shocked by an early adjournment. **Motion by Leavenworth to adjourn the meeting. Time Recorded: 8:10 p.m.** Savage sat down for a couple minutes to recover from shock.

Minutes taken by members of board and secretary who were in attendance and reported to Clerk Savage.  
Respectfully submitted:

*Lori Savage*

Lori Savage, Township Clerk

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_, 2005

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Lee Durrwachter, Township Supervisor

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