

Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board

Community Center
Grand Marais, Michigan
November 15, 2005 7:00 p.m.

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

Board Members Hunting and Excused: Gordon Kniss

Public Attendance: Three (3) Citizens.

Public Comment: Opened at 7:01 No Comments. Closed 7:02.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to approve the agenda as presented. 4 – ayes. Motion Carried.

Current Business:

MSP Training Grant

Nancy Weston explained the application that she has completed for the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division Training Grant. The Board requested a couple of changes in the request. **Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to approve the application for the MSP EMD Training Grant with changes. 4 – ayes. Motion carried.**

Sewer System/Master Plan Survey

In process.

Clerk Resignation

Letter received from Clerk withdrawing letter of resignation.

Speed Limit on H-58 East

Durrwachter spoke with ACRC Engineer. Seibert to write petition for board signature at November 22, 2005 meeting.

Sno-Trails Use of Woodland Park

Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to allow the Sno-Trail Association to use a trail through Woodland Park as part of the trail into Grand Marais. Conditions were added to the motion: the Sno-Trail Association will need to determine an acceptable alternate route during Community Center events such as the UP200, and damage caused by snowmobile traffic in Woodland Park will be repaired by the Sno-Trail Association at the completion of the season. 4 – ayes. Motion carried.

Youth Center Report

Christine Rosenberg gave a complete report of Youth Center activities since it re-opened in July 2005. She also talked about some additional funding that is available. Durrwachter requested copies of the grants that Christine wants to apply for by Thursday of this week so that he can see what is required and make sure they are something the Board can back.

Payment of the Bills

No Bills were presented for payment. Bids were opened for 22' Whaler Boat with two 100 hp motors and trailer – Richard Nebel bid \$2,151; Michael Canon bid \$3,355; and Frank Withey bid \$3,650. Winning bid: Frank Withey - \$3,650. **Motion by Seibert and seconded to accept the bid of Frank Withey for \$3,650 for the 22' Whaler Boat. 4 – ayes. Motion carried.** Upon receipt of a money order or cashier's check for \$3,650.00 the boat will be turned over to Frank Withey.

General Discussion

Treasurer Seibert to take money from Green Space account and put \$10,000 in a CD and the remainder into an interest bearing savings account. Seibert and Clerk Savage to figure out how to display contributions from utilities in the Youth Center fund. Seibert is concerned about the number of paper copies being made – suggested that Board use email to communicate. Seibert also asked if the minutes were going to be put into the Gazette again. Savage said that putting the minutes in the paper is very expensive – it costs between \$60 and \$80 each time the minutes run in the Gazette. Savage said that it would be cheaper to mail the minutes to 100 people each month and display them on our website. Clerk Savage said that due to the higher cost of publishing in the Gazette – the budget set up at the beginning of the fiscal year is gone, but it is up to the citizens. IF the citizens want the minutes in the paper again, Savage will look for money in another part of the budget and make sure they are given to the Gazette for publishing. The board is looking for feedback from the community. Seibert also said that rent money received from the Dentist and the Chiropractor should be put into the General Fund.

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Lori Savage

Lori Savage, Township Clerk

Date Approved: _____, 2005

Lee Durrwachter, Township Supervisor

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