

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
**Burt Township Community Center**  
**Grand Marais, Michigan**  
**September 13, 2005 7:00PM**

**Present:** Lee Durrwachter, Lori Savage, Jim Seibert, Gordon Kniss, Lois Leavenworth  
Twenty-nine citizens .

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Leavenworth, and seconded, to approve the agenda with the following change – add Mark Maki Proposal under Unfinished Business - Other. 4 – ayes; 1- late. Motion carried.

**Presentation:**

Burt Township Planning Commission addressed the Township Board to make the following recommendations:

Request 1: The Planning Commission proposes a change to Article IV, Section 401, B. (Waterfront Development), Part 2., of the Burt Township Zoning Ordinance.

New Part 2: The setback on the Lake Superior Shoreline (North) side of Coast Guard Point, to include Lots 134 through 169; The outermost point of any dwelling shall be at least fifty (50) feet behind (South) of the Traverse Line, as indicated on the Assessors Plat of Coast Guard Point, Lot 1 Section 6, approved on April 5, 1983, by the Burt Township Board.

Township Board TABLED further action until the Township Attorney could review the request.

Request 2: The Planning Commission proposes a change to Article IV, Section 401, A., Part d., of the Burt Township Zoning Ordinance.

New Part d.: In zoning districts R-1, R-2, and Bay, the maximum height of an accessory building shall not exceed the maximum allowable height of the principal structure.

Motion by Seibert and seconded to approve the proposed change to Article IV, Section 401, A., Part d., of the Burt Township Zoning Ordinance to read that in Zoning Districts R-1, R-2 and Bay, the maximum height of an accessory building shall not exceed the maximum allowable height of the principal structure. Roll call vote was taken: Seibert – aye; Leavenworth – aye; Kniss – aye; Savage – aye; Durrwachter – aye. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Opened at 7:53 pm. Closed at 8:05 pm.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. Complaint of Inappropriate Action – Ellen Airgood  
Ellen Airgood stated that she felt the Township Board took inappropriate action by asking the DPW employees to remove the wood that was in the roadway of the alley from the alley. The DPW employees stacked the wood on her property. She said that she felt she should have been called before the action was taken and asked the Township Board to apologize to her.
- B. Proposal: Lake Street Interim Improvement – ACRC  
Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to approve the proposal by the Alger County Road Commission to make road repairs to the end of Lake Street. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.
- C. Proposal: Community Center Kitchen Plumbing Improvement – Dowe Plumbing  
Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to approve the plumbing upgrades at the Community Center at a cost of \$380 from account 699930. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.
- D. Vacation of Platted Cummings Street – Motion by Seibert and seconded to start the proceedings to have Cummings Street between Lake Avenue and the Bay vacated. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.
- E. Final List of Delinquent Water Customers to Treasurer for Tax Lien – Clerk to give to Treasurer in the next few days.
- F. Tax Assessment Review – TABLED – Need to have special meeting with Mark Maki, Assessor, present.
- G. Other – Use of Community Center for Flu Clinic – Motion by Seibert and seconded to allow LMAS to use the Community Center to set up a Flu Clinic on a Friday near the end of September from 8:00 am til Noon. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Update: DPW Truck – Mike Beek says that it should be ready in about a month.
- B. Land Transfer: Quit Claim Deed to Worden Children – Lee to investigate further and report.
- C. DPW/EMS/Fire Building Drawings – Drawings are being copied.

D. Mark Maki Proposal – Maki asked if the Township Office could provide someone to type the assessment card information into the computer database. Lee to discuss with Maki further.

**Correspondence:** Correspondence was read.

**Appointments/Resignations/Applications:** Motion by Seibert and seconded to appoint Todd Roessner to the Burt Township Ambulance Corps. Mr. Roessner completed his 90-day probationary period with the Corps after becoming a licensed EMT-B. 5 – ayes. Motion carried. Welcome Todd !!!!

**Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to accept the minutes of the August 9, 2005, meeting of the Township Board and the minutes of the August 26, 2005, special meeting of the Township Board. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report:** Accepted by Supervisor pending audit.

**Payment of the Bills:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to pay the bills as presented. 4 – ayes; 1 - nay. Motion carried.

**Refunds:** Motion by Leavenworth and seconded to pay the Community Center refunds as presented. 5 – ayes. Motion carried.

**Reports:** Written reports were received from Managers and were available on the back table. Librarians Report and Youth Center report was given to the Board members.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Leavenworth to adjourn. Time Recorded: 9:43 p.m.

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.**