

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board
January 9, 2007 – 7:02 p.m.**

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Attendance: Jack Hubbard, Kay Wampler, L. Scott Wieting, Lois Leavenworth, Marc Oglevie – **Citizens:** approx 40-45.

Public Comment: Comments were heard from Sally Brooks on the Harbor effort, Delphine Wilson on grants, and Norm Geiger on Alger County Tourist money.

Approval of the Agenda: **Motion** by Leavenworth, second by Wampler to approve the agenda as submitted - 5 ayes

Correspondence: Letters from: Kirt Harmon regarding rates and status of current projects, John and Jeanette Bauknecht requesting the Board permit a hardship waiver on late fees on their RLF loan, Erin Sarver requesting permission to have a Parade for Music Festival, Lois Kinlaw requesting approval of an outdoor ice rink and wood burning fire on Ed Warrens empty lot with maintenance, preparation & tear down by community members and Kidz Ink, and a letter from the School accepting the donation of the Apple computer and related equipment. **Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve the request on an outdoor ice rink on the Greenspace – 5 ayes. NOTE: this rink will be built using plastic to cover the ground and railroad ties surrounding it so it can be removed without damage to the grass. The wood fire pit will be installed with a containing fire ring that can stay for use by other events throughout the year. **Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve Erin Sarvers request for a Music Festival Parade as outlined in her request – 5 ayes. In regards to John and Jeanette Bauknechts request to waive late fees on their RLF loan, it appears the contracts do not provide for assessment of late fees, the only impact will be that additional interest will accrue on the balance.

Resignations/Appointments: **Motion** by Leavenworth, second by Wampler to receive Lee Goewey's resignation with regrets and to appoint Ed Bowen to fill the position of Assistant Airport Manager – 5 ayes. **Motion** by Leavenworth, second by Wieting to say "yes to Sheri Shafer" on the Zoning Board of Appeals – 5 ayes. **Motion** by Wampler, second by Oglevie to approve Jack's (supervisor) appointments to the Planning Commission – 5 ayes (Sally Brooks and Gwen Bradish with Pat Munger staying on for another 3 year term.). **Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve Ed Massey, Gee Petruske and Michael Ballard on the Board of Review for another 2 year term – 5 ayes. **Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to rehire Sheri Shafer for 2007 as the Park Manager – 5 ayes. **Motion** by Wampler, second by Oglevie to appoint Scott to the RLF Committee [as Jack has an RLF loan and cannot sit on the committee] – 5 ayes. (need to determine if we have a full committee now or if we need another member). Also, Motion by Wampler, second by Oglevie to appoint Lois Leavenworth to head up the "Save the Harbor" Committee – 4 ayes. [Lois jokingly opposed but accepted the appointment]. There is currently a group of about 12 citizens working on the committee.

Approve Minutes: Minutes of December 12 were approved without correction on motion by Leavenworth, second by Wieting – 4 ayes

Reports: Reports were received from DPW/Water from Mike Beek and Ambulance Chief Evelyn Morrison. The new "Save the Harbor" Committee reported on their status and a petition of support for the Break wall Project. Jack reported that he had spoken with STS engineer, Mike Pond and they will be going to Lansing to gain support on the break wall and to work with the Waterways commission on the status of the Marina. They are also working on a broad plan for the Marina/Harbormaster, DPW, Ambulance, Fire, and possible Chamber Building.

Treasurers Report: Reconciled bank balances as of 01/09/06: General Fund \$3828.67, Improvement \$15298.06, Harbor \$51,954.51, Ambulance \$18018.32, Tax Account \$112433.89, RLF \$42766.44, Fire Fund \$12477.06, Woodland Park \$99411.93, Marina \$2105.35, Fuel System \$9902.34, Medical Facility \$385.37, Water Operating \$4957.47, Water Receiving \$18621.89, Bond Redemption \$12099.06, New Well \$41914.82, Wellhead Protection \$3998.42, Beach Access \$1111.69, Ambulance Trust Savings \$21110.15, Water Savings \$5870.93, CD's – General Fund (Fire, Ambulance & Harbor combined) \$52,289.16, General Fund – Beach Access \$10,420.47, Woodland Park \$9,868.29, Fire \$7,206.26, Harbor Fund \$21,738.61 & \$12,577.90, Water General Purpose \$10,000.00 and \$20,477.50, Water Receiving \$12,835.38, Water supply system \$11,149.40,

and Water Bond Reserve \$22,298.81. Outstanding RLF Loans/Grants – Dunes Motel \$13,264.78, Fuel System \$12,691.14, Hilltop Cabins \$53,126.22, Burt Township Well \$50,000.00 (Grant) Accepted by Supervisor.

Clerks Payment of bills: with corrections to the Water Fund, General Fund \$9397.23 plus \$7724.17 paid, Payroll \$12892.12, Ambulance Corps \$1516.31 plus \$572.74 paid, Medical Facility \$811.77, Fire Protection \$790.24, Improvement \$2886.68, Marina \$0.00, Woodland Park \$14840.37, Fuel System \$1644.13 plus \$2771.12 paid, Water Operating \$2593.96 plus \$117.00 paid, New Well, \$33045.71 plus \$8998.42 paid, Receiving Account \$6100.00 – Approved on motion by Leavenworth, second by Wieting – 5 ayes.

Unfinished Business: **A) Budget Amendments/Quarterlies** – Kay asked to wait until she can meet with the Auditor and include his recommendations and changes in the accounting system. **B) Background Investigations – letter to investigator:** Wampler read the letter she composed to the Investigator, copied to Harmon requesting a report before we can issue payment. Also reported that Harmon commented that a report is always furnished whether there are any findings or not. **C) 2006 Attorney and Bank Resolutions: Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to adopt **Resolution #2007-03** dismissing John Underhill and revoking any and all authorizations granted by Resolutions 2006-05, 2006-08, 2006-24, 2006-32, 2006-36 and 2006-37 – Roll Call Vote: all ayes. **D) Deficit Elimination Plan:** the Deficit Elimination Plan was completed and filed with the state on December 27th.

New Business: **A) 2007 Marina Transient Boat Slip Rates: Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to include the new Waterways Commission rates in our policy – 5 ayes. **B) Break wall Resolution:** Wampler read a **draft Resolution** in support of the Break wall project and requested input from the Board and Community before putting it to a vote in light of the new committee working on the project. **C) Wellhead Protection Program:** Scott Wieting volunteered to head up the Wellhead Protection program for the Supervisor to help alleviate some of his work load. Scott is currently involved with the project as a committee member and is in charge of the program for the tribe in Hannahville. Thank You Scott! **D) Township Open House:** The Board is going to have an open house at the office on January 27th from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for the public to come in, talk with the board, and meet the new Assessor, Susan Tillison – Jack appointed Argie Thorrington and Gloria Lundquist to provide refreshments – Sandee requested Argie's Famous Sticky Buns. **E) Well Resolutions: Motion** by Wampler, second by Oglevie to approve Change Order **Resolution #2007-01** – 5 ayes. **Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to approve **Payment Resolution #2007-02** – 5 ayes. **F) Water Board: Motion** by Leavenworth, second by Wampler to form a 5 member Water Advisory Board which should have Mike Beek and Jack Hubbard and 3 members of the community on the water system, one should be a business owner – 5 ayes. This Water Board will be responsible for reviewing rates, needs, and formulating proposals to the board for improvements and rate increases. **G) Public Comment Resolution: Motion** by Wampler, second by Leavenworth to adopt **Resolution #2007-04** rescinding #2006-22 and requiring 2 public comment periods at all future Board Meetings – 5 ayes. **H) Timber Management Plan for Airport Property: Motion** by Wampler, second by Oglevie to authorize Jack to negotiate with Grossman Forestry – 5 ayes. Any proceeds would likely go to pay down the loan and some to the Airport.

Public Comment Comments were heard from Norm Geiger regarding signage directing snowmobiles past the post office to run with the flow of traffic and again thanking the board for making the meetings pleasant.

Adjournment: Motion by Leavenworth to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kay L. Wampler, Clerk

Approved: _____ on Motion by _____, seconded by _____ ~ __ ayes, __ nay's

The full text of the Resolutions contained herein shall be and are hereby provided as an addendum to these minutes.

An official copy of all resolutions passed at this meeting are on file in the Clerk's office at the Burt Township Hall and are available for inspection/review by appointment.