Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board Tuesday, August 13, 2019–7:00 PM – Community Center

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Attendance: Sheri Shafer, Tara Dongvillo, Deb Lundquist, Lou Lundquist, Lori McShane

<u>Agenda</u>: <u>Motion by McShane, second by Dongvillo, to approve agenda with the following additions under New business:</u> Northwest Petroleum quote - 5 ayes.

Public Comments: none.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Email from Ronda Whaley dated July 25 asking for a memorial plaque on the greenspace gazebo in honor of her father and Allen Cherniak, the man who built it.

<u>Approve Minutes</u>: <u>Motion by Dongvillo, second by D. Lundquist, to approve the minutes of the July 9th regular meeting, and the July 17th and 29th special meetings.</u> 5 ayes

<u>Department and Committee Reports</u>: Reports were available from the DPW/Water, Library, Park assessor, Fire and Ambulance

Appointments/Resignations: Motion by McShane, second by Shafer, to accept the resignation from Lisa Marks from the planning commission. 5 ayes. Motion by McShane, second by Dongvillo, to appoint Heather Dobberstein and Leslie Davis to the open positions on the planning commission. 5 ayes We are still in need of one more member on the planning commission as well as a member on the zoning board of appeals.

<u>Supervisor Report</u>: The ambulance crew continues to make sacrifices to keep our ambulance service going. Please remember this and let them know how much we all appreciate what they are doing. Also, thank you to the voters for passing the two millages at the August 6^{th} election.

<u>Treasurer's reports and Approval of Bills</u>: Treasurer's report – (\$932,411.90) <u>Motion by Dongvillo, second by Shafer, to accept treasurer's report and approve the bills for payment.</u> (\$43,954.26) 5 ayes.

Unfinished Business:

<u>Marina Bathhouse and Fish Cleaning Station:</u> Construction is moving along. Septic and drain field installation began August 10th and is scheduled to be completed by August 20th.

New Business:

Sheriff Brock, Ambulance Services: Sheriff Brock explained how the merging of the Burt Township Ambulance and the Alger County Ambulance would work. This is the best option to keep our ambulance here in Burt Township available with minimal delay. This would also increase the level of care to a paramedic level (ALS) and we would be under the Alger med control. Our county commissioner Catherine Pullen and our representative in the Michigan State House Sara Cambensy was also in attendance. Ms. Cambensy talked about House bill 4590 that she has sponsored and is currently active which would allow us to impose a use tax on tourism and direct money collected from this tax to the county level to be used to enhance our public safety and emergency services.

Wolf Creek estimate for sidewalks: Motion by McShane, second by D. Lundquist, to approve the cost estimate from Wolf Creek to repair the sidewalks on Main Street in front of the Marketplace for a cost of \$3,618.00. 5 ayes. Northwest Petroleum: Northwest is proposing an enhancement to the fuel system to eliminate the delay when starting the gas pumps, but would still include the emergency stop features needed to be in compliance with the state for a cost of \$1,276.00. Board members would like to see these funds recouped by an increased mark up on the price to the county road commission.

Other:

<u>Public Comment:</u> Board was once again asked about the blight ordinance with regard to the property out on the point formerly known as North Shore Lodge. Wendy Lowe asked about a garbage can at the greenspace gazebo. Various community members commented on the great job our DPW crew is doing. The town looks great.

Adjournment: 8:20 PM

Respectfully submitted August 20, 2019 Lori McShane, Clerk