

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
**Tuesday, May 10, 2022– 7:00 PM – Community Center**

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

**Agenda:** Motion by McShane, second by Dongvillo, to approve the agenda with the addition of Friday Night Movies sign and Smart Landscapes contract as item D&C under new business. 5 ayes.

**Public Comments:** none

**Correspondence:** Letter from Randy Becker regarding the short-term rental home he owns on Carlson Street. Letter explained that he purchased the home in January 2021, and was not aware of the ordinance regarding the registration of short-term rentals nor the moratorium that was approved last November. The previous owner had been operating as a short-term rental and was registered. Motion by Lou Lundquist, second by McShane, to allow the late registration of the home at E21706 Carlson Street. 5 ayes.

**Approve Minutes:** Motion by Shafer, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the minutes from the 04/12 regular meeting and the 04/21 & 04/28 special meetings. 5 ayes.

**Department and Committee Reports:** Reports were available from the Assessor, Fire, DPW & Water, and Library.

**Appointments/Resignations:** Motion by McShane, second by Shafer, to approve Dave Beckwith as the Marina Harbormaster assistant for the 2022 season. 5 ayes.

**Supervisor Report:** The park is open and the fish are biting at the pier! Recycling is scheduled for tomorrow (May 11) at the property on M77. Next time will be Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor Shafer has been talking with Sheriff Brock and the extra patrols are on schedule. We have a big weekend coming up for ATV's and the sheriff is aware and will be around. Please join us for a Memorial Day ceremony at 11:00 AM on Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> at the Veterans Memorial then immediately following at the Marina. Luncheon provided by the Women's club at the community center at noon.

**Treasurer's report and Approval of Bills:** Treasurer's report – (\$1,323,716,57) Motion by Dongvillo, second by Lou Lundquist to accept treasurer's report and approve the bills for payment. (\$56,450.22) 5 ayes.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Planning Commission – Master Plan:** Planning Commission workshops are tentatively scheduled for June 14/16/21/23. The four workshops are Housing and Economic Development, Energy and the Environment, Community Infrastructure and Services, and Natural Resources and Recreation. Watch the township website, facebook page and postings around town as well as the paper for more information! We need to hear from you! Your input is important!

**Township Board and Administrative Policies:** Motion by McShane, second by Deb Lundquist, to approve the revised version of the Township Board and Administrative Policies. 5 ayes.

**Ballot Language – Law Enforcement Millage:** At a meeting earlier in the day, the board approved Resolution 2022-05-01 – Adopting Ballot Language for a law enforcement millage to be put on the ballot for August 2, 2022 election. This is a .25 mil tax increase to be spent on the additional law enforcement contract with the Alger County Sheriff. We also reviewed the latest report from Sheriff Brock regarding the patrols for January and February of 2022. Those statistics are posted on our website.

**New Business**

**Food truck – Electrical access/Permit Fees:** Quote from Alger Delta and Hitching Post Electric show cost of approximately \$5,000 to establish two electrical pedestals at the location on the bay behind Bayshore Market where the food trucks have been staged. This would eliminate the noise of the generators in the downtown area. The Transient Merchant permit fee would have to be increased to cover the cost of the monthly meter charges and usage. Also discussed fees for the option of using township water and garbage disposal as well. More discussion needed – issue was tabled.

**Water Dept – Etna Quote – Cordless Mainline Gate valve:** Motion by Dongvillo, second by McShane, to approve the purchase of a Cordless Mainline Gate valve from Etna at a cost of \$3,017.00. 5 ayes. This equipment acquisition was discussed earlier and planned for in the 2022/23 fiscal year budget.

**Driving Range at old dump site:** Tony Barnes, Superintendent of the Burt Township School, asked the board for permission to use the old dump site for a makeshift driving range for the students interested in learning to golf and be on the school team. Mike Beek had contacted the state and they responded favorably and asked for a formal request in writing. Mr. Barnes will supply a letter to the board to submit to the state. Superintendent Barnes also mentioned the Grossman Forestry walkthrough on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the school forest. For more information contact the school.

**Community Center Sign – Friday Night Movies:** Devon Lawrence asked for permission to hang a sign in the community center parking lot for approximately two months advertising the movie lineup for this summer. The zoning ordinance was reviewed and temporary signs are allowed with size restrictions. This sign would be over the limit.

Motion by Dongvillo, second by Shafer, to allow Mr. Lawrence to post this 7' X 6' sign. 5 ayes.

**Smart Landscaping Master services agreement:** Contract distributed to the board for review – will address at next meeting.

**Other:** New Short term rental ordinance has been delayed. Will follow up with township counsel to get it for the next meeting. Chamber proposing some electrical upgrades to the community center to facilitate festival and other events at the stage and ballfield areas. Private electrician and Alger Delta are working on quotes. New bathhouse in the park plans are underway – Supervisor and park manager have selected a design and we hope to go out for bid in June.

**Public Comment:** Community member asked about putting a portable toilet down near the playground on the beach.

**Adjournment:** 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted May 13, 2022

Lori McShane, Clerk