

**Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
**Wednesday, June 1, 2022**  
**Community Center, 1:00 PM**

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

**Agenda:** Motion by McShane, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the agenda as written. 5 ayes.

**Public Comments:** Toni Whaley urged the board to consider writing an ordinance that strictly pertains to the food trucks in our town, and to take into consideration the divisiveness that has arisen over this issue. Linda Steinke read a letter expressing displeasure with the food truck on the bay hill, obstructing the view. Pat Grasser said that the food truck location does not infringe on her ability to enjoy the view of the bay. There was much additional discussion regarding the most recent chamber meeting and the Iron Fox food truck proprietor's appearance there and the positions and opinions expressed. Nick Paul spoke about the liability of the food truck location in relation to the street and people crossing.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Park Employees:** Motion by McShane, second by Dongvillo, to approve the addition of five employees to the Woodland Park Campground roster. 5 ayes (Jeffrey Link, Mary Ann Boddy, Zackery Ward-Harbaum, Alex Hyde, and Ethan Brauer.) With these additional employees, the park should be in good shape (*Since this meeting, we have been made aware that a long-standing park employee has given his notice. Good Luck Jason Andrews and thank you for the last five years of hard work! The park is in need of another full-time employee - get your applications in if you would like to work at the campground this summer!*)

**Electric Outlet for food truck-self financed:** Cathy Goulet, owner of the Fired-UP food truck, wrote a letter to the board stating she would pay for the entire cost of the electrical hook up for her truck as well as the monthly charges on the account, if we would give her permission to install on our property along the bay.

**Motion by Deb Lundquist, second by Shafer, to allow the electrical installation at the pole on the north end by the rear of the Bayshore Market, to accommodate her food truck, at her expense. 3 ayes, 2 nays**

**Park Kubota:** Park Manager Scott Wieting asked the board to reconsider the proposal from GINOP for the purchase of a new Kubota. This initial proposal included a \$3,000 trade in credit for the old Kubota. Wieting feels this old Kubota still has a lot of life yet remaining, and would be beneficial to hold on to for use in the park as an extra vehicle. **Motion by Dongvillo, second by Deb Lundquist, to keep the old Kubota and pay the extra \$3,000 for the new Kubota, for a total purchase price of \$18,995.00. 5 ayes**

**New Business:**

**Sinotech LLC, WIFI woodland park quotes:** Park Manager Wieting had representatives from Sinotech, LLC out of Manistique come to the park and offer solutions to our WIFI problem. They have presented the board with two options, one at approximately \$26,000 and one for \$48,000. These two proposals offer different configurations depending on our coverage needs. We will ask representatives to come to a future board meeting so we may ask questions and decide on the best plan.

**Robin Scully letter – acoustic concert series:** The board received an email from Robin Scully, Burt Township full time resident, asking for permission to schedule acoustic concerts on the boardwalk at Agate beach throughout the summer. Upon further consideration, she has decided the pavilion in Woodland Park would be a better venue for this sort of concert. The frequency would be twice monthly from 7-9 pm mid-June through September, on a Thursday or Friday evening. All are invited. Watch for details and come enjoy the music.

**Other:** Supervisor Shafer and Clerk McShane met with Sgt. Verlin of the Michigan State Police as well as representatives from MDOT and the county road commission to discuss the speed limits around town. The meeting lasted over two hours with not much success. We will be pursuing this issue and will be scheduling a presentation to the community later this summer at our August meeting. We were also notified at this meeting of a tentative schedule for road closure of H58 east for culvert replacements and repaving. This should happen between August 8<sup>th</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comment:** Andy Smits from the Grand Marais Pilot asked if the township was having regular conversations with Sheriff Brock regarding the additional road patrols contract. Supervisor Shafer replied that yes, she has been in communication with him at least every two weeks. Andy also asked about the electrical upgrades the chamber is working on for the festival.

**Adjournment:** 2:20 PM

Respectfully submitted June 9, 2022

Lori McShane, Clerk