

**Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board**  
**Tuesday, July 12, 2022 – 7:00 PM – Community Center**

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**Attendance:** Sheri Shafer, Lori McShane, Tara Dongvillo, Lou Lundquist (Deb Lundquist – absent).

**Agenda:** Motion by Dongvillo, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the agenda as written. 4 ayes. Please note the addition of the agenda rules on the backside of the agendas. Please review and act accordingly.

**Public Comments:** none.

**Correspondence:** Letter dated June 29<sup>th</sup>, from Gary Christenson of Belding, MI, regarding the condition of Woodland Park Campground. He listed a few things he felt needed to be addressed. (Levelling of lots, fire rings, toilets and lighting). Email dated July 9<sup>th</sup>, from Henry Leach about humans on the break wall and the danger it poses to the seagulls. Note from Paul Gillian regarding the master plan survey which was forwarded to the planning commission. Email from Maria Johnstone dated June 16<sup>th</sup>, citing the lack of decorum of the township board at the last meeting.

**Approve Minutes:** Motion by Dongvillo, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the minutes from the June `14<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. 4 ayes.

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

**Appointments/Resignations:** none

**Supervisor Report:** Burt Township was lucky enough on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to miss most of the rain and the parade and festivities went well. Thank you to the Newberry High School Band and the chamber and all the volunteers that put this together. Master plan workshops went well – watch for your next Planning commission meeting to follow through on the next steps in the process. Recycling is on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month up on M77. Our condolences go out to the family of Greg Nelson, our harbormaster. He did a great job and will be missed.

**Treasurer's report and Approval of Bills:** Treasurer's report – (\$1,280,619.84) Motion by Dongvillo, second by Lou Lundquist to accept treasurer's report and approve the bills for payment. (\$53,205.97) 5 ayes.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Park Issues – Septic and Garbage:** Park Manager Scott Wieting advised the board of the issues with the east end drain field. There was a broken pipe in the pressure line that has been fixed. Laundry will stay closed until we can contact the health department, contractors, and engineers to design and install a new one late this summer. Hiawatha disposal was having a hard time keeping up with our garbage collection needs. Things seem to be improving, once a week is not adequate.

**Sinetech, LLC-Woodland Park WIFI:** Board agreed to pursue a plan for the WIFI in the park, to be installed in stages, with complete coverage to be complete in 3-4 years. Scott Wieting and board members to meet with Sinetech to come up with an affordable plan.

**Greenspace – Survey and Fencing:** Motion by McShane, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the charges from Peninsula Surveying - \$1,780.00 for the boundary survey of the greenspace. 4 ayes. The boundary stakes are currently flagged – and it shows just how much of the greenspace has eroded due to parking in the alley. We will need to decide where we should place the fencing.

**Smart Landscapes – Current projects:** We are currently working on a sponsorship menu for our website where we can direct people who want to donate in memoriam to contribute to some ongoing projects the township is working on. Upcoming meeting with Arlo Fast and Olivia Zech (representing the Maki family) to discuss plans for the park at the site of the old coast guard boat dock.

**New Business:** none

**First Quarter fiscal year 2022/23 budget review:** Distributed copies of the budget with activity through July 1 for review. Due to the holiday, the clerk did not have time to review for needed amendments. Will schedule a special meeting before end of July to discuss.

**Other:** Need to schedule a special meeting to review our current employee policies. Would like to include all managers as well as board members. Tentative date – w/o July 25<sup>th</sup>. Supervisor read the most recent report from Captain Waldron of the Alger County Sheriff, with results of the extra patrols for the month of June – 32 traffic stops, 26 citations, accidents, civil assists and much more. Complete list is published in the paper and available on our website.

**Public Comment:** Representative for Matt Stinson, Iron Fox food truck owner, returned a \$200.00 check to the board and asked for his transient merchant permit to be reinstated. Wendy Lowe commented on the poor condition of the Woodland Park Campground roads. Linda Steinke asked about the Election inspector training class scheduled for July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tom Cleary asked about the lease with the Army Corps of Engineers for the land on coast guard point. (It is currently in progress)

**Adjournment:** 7:35 PM

Respectfully submitted July 18, 2022

Lori McShane, Clerk