

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, Michigan 49781

CALL TO ORDER:

Supr Durm called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM EST with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and Trustee Spencer.
ABSENT: Trustee Heuer
CITIZENS: D.J. Goudreau, Jr., Chuck Malcolm, Lee, Ortman, Jim Fenlon and St. Ignace Reporter Mike Ayala.
GUESTS: Tom Hoogterp, with the Census Bureau and Mark Wilk with Allied EMS

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lee Ortman wanted to know why there is a 2-minute limit? Supr Durm stated so the meeting doesn't get out of control on an issue.

CENSUS UPDATE:

Census Representative Tom Hoogterp updated the board on the upcoming Census 2010.

ALLIED EMS SYSTEMS, INC.

Allied Representative Mark Wilk presented the Board with a 2009 Financial Report, the 2009 Loss Subsidy was \$27,434.22 with Moran Twp's share being \$4,938.16. Mr. Wilk also informed the board that an ambulance needs to be remounted. The cost for a new ambulance would run between \$105,000 - \$112,000. The cost to remount and existing ambulance with a 2010 chasis would be \$72,483, with a 3-year loan with First National Bank at 4.5% Simple Interest. Moran Twp share of the remount chasis is \$13,046.94.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO PAY THE FULL AMOUNT, WHEN DUE, OF \$13,046.94. MONEY TO COME FROM AMBULANCE LINE ITEM IN GENERAL FUND.

MORAN TWP PLANNING COMMISSION:

Treas Dionne will serve the PLC as an alternate, also needed is the filling of 2-positions.

RESOLUTION:

The following resolution was adopted:

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WHEREAS, the Father Marquette Museum, formerly located in Moran Township on lands owned by the State of Michigan, succumbed to fire in 2000 and has not been rebuilt:

WHEREAS, the County of Mackinac, Township of Moran, and City of Saint Ignace wish to combine efforts to develop and implement plans to improve and rebuild what was once a viable park in the Straits Area, including, but not limited to, the construction of a bridge across Interstate 75 connecting the Straits State Park and the Father Marquette Memorial Park and providing a safe connection between the North Huron Bicycle Path and the Voyageur Trail Bicycle Path;

WHEREAS, these efforts will combine and require collaboration between local, state, national, and private sources, focusing on the underlying redevelopment goal;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that, without deep collaboration, the museum and park will likely remain undeveloped;

NOW THEREFORE, the County of Mackinac, Township of Moran, and City of Saint Ignace, by and through their elected bodies, hereby appoints one member from each consisting of the County Chair, Township Supervisor, and Mayor or their designee, to create governmental agency and collaboration.

ON THIS THIRD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010, BE IT RESOLVED.

MOTION BY CLERK VALLIER, SUPPORTED BY TRUSTEE SPENCER.

YEAS: Supervisor Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treasurer Dionne and Trustee Spencer.

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: Trustee Heuer

SUPERVISOR DURM DECLARED THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

BICYCLE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT:

Supr Durm recommended to turn this over to the Planning Commission for review.

HERITAGE PARK ACCESS DRIVEWAY UPDATE:

The DEQ has requested that we voluntarily withdraw our application for Wetland/Endangered Species Review on the Heritage Park Driveway, until the re-integration of the DNR/DEQ Offices has been completed.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO INCREASE THE ASSESSOR'S CONTRACTED SERVICES BY \$2,000. THE NEW AMOUNT BEING \$26,340.00

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) TO INCREASE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT LINE ITEM BY \$5,443.53. AND TO PAY THE BALANCE DUE FOR 2009 TO THE CITY OF ST. IGNACE FOR FIRE PROTECTION - \$8443.53 FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

3% PAY RAISE:

The following office's will receive a 3% pay raise for the 2010-2011 Budget:

The new salaries will be:	Supervisor	\$18,150.66
	Clerk	\$15,913.50
	Treasurer	\$15,913.50
	Zoning Administrator	\$ 9785.00
	Building Inspector	\$ 5665.00

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO APPROVE THE 3% PAY RAISES FOR THE OFFICES OF SUPERVISOR, CLERK, TREASURER, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR AND BUILDING INSPECTOR AS PRESENTED FOR THE 2010-2011 BUDGET.

PORTAGE STREET WATER PROJECT UPDATE:

USDA has announced the Moran Twp is eligible for a \$214,000 loan and \$256,000 in grant monies. Actual funding should be announced within 3-months.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THE PORTAGE STREET WATER PROJECT.

2010 FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES:

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO APPROVE THE 2010 FEDERAL POVERTY EXEMPTION GUIDELINES AND CARRY FORWARD THE ASSET LEVEL TEST AS APPROVED IN 2009.

OLD BUSINESS:

Clerk Vallier inquired into the progress of the dry hydrant well to be placed on Worth Road. Trustee Spencer stated its still a work in progress, expecting to be completed by summer.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO SIGN THE ROAD AGREEMENT WITH THE MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION FOR IMPROVEMENT TO LOVEGROVE ROAD WITH THE TWP COST ESTIMATED TO BE \$127,040, PER RECOMMENDATION FROM THE M.T. ROAD COMMITTEE.**

2. Letter from the Mac Co Equalization Dept. with yearly invoice for parcel maintenance fees (\$3,840.48). Director Fenlon is inquiring if the Twp will assume their own maintenance & tax processing after the BS&A conversion. Treas Dionne stated this probably will happen in the future, possibly the 2011 tax year, but not for 2010 due to unfamiliarity of the program.
3. Discussion of the 2010-2011 Budget.

TOWNSHIP BILLS: Checks 2475 thru 2494 + EFT's = \$18,541.06

2475	P.J. Durm, Supr	\$	1174.80
2476	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	\$	817.68
2477	Susan K. Dionne, Treas	\$	892.68
2478	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	\$	397.88
2479	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	\$	731.12
2480	Barbara Alkire, Custod	\$	46.17
2481	Richard Oliver, Assessor	\$	184.70
2482	DSP, Inc	\$	1927.54
2483	AT&T	\$	112.39
2484	AT&T	\$	220.48
2485	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	\$	138.53
2486	Mark A. Spencer, Rd Comm	\$	72.50
2487	City of St. Ignace	\$	8443.53
2488	VOID		
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2490	B&B Snowplowing	\$	70.00
2491	ESELCO	\$	1019.30
2492	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	\$	51.38
2493	Cloverland Elec Coop	\$	174.56
2494	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	\$	272.29

EFT'S

IRS	\$	1496.10
Lighthouse. Net	\$	249.75
FNB	\$	47.68

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 7:34 PM EST.**

SIGNED: *Kristine R. Vallier*
Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk

DATED: FEBRUARY 9, 2010

APPROVED: MARCH 3, 2010

