

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, July 5, 2007 at the Moran Township Hall, W1362 US-2, St. Ignace, MI 49781.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and  
Trustees Spencer and Heuer.  
ABSENT: NONE  
CITIZENS: NONE

**MINUTES:**

Clerk Vallier informed the Board that check # 1443, written to U.S. Postmaster in the amount of \$621.81, should be included in the June expenses. Total expenses for June should read \$19,698.78.

**MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY SPENCER (CARRIED) THE MINUTES FOR JUNE 6, 2007 BE ACCEPTED WITH ADDITION OF CHECK #1443, BRINGING THE JUNE EXPENSES TO \$19,698.78. MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 11, 2007 APPROVED AS PRESENTED.**

**FYI:**

Legal Service invoice from Attorney Evashevski. It was recommended by Zoning Administrator Spencer to keep track of legal services on the proposed PUD Condo's to be built on the Boulevard by McNamara. These legal fees are part of the cost for the Building Permit (\$1,000)

**DISCUSSION OF LEGAL OPINION:**

Twp Attorney Tom Evashevski looked into the feasibility of Moran Township obtaining 2% Sault Tribe money for Rendezvous at the Straits in Father Marquette Park, located in Moran Township. Attorney Evashevski has one primary concern, he does not believe the expenditure would be considered to be for a "public purpose". All municipal entities, including townships, are subject to disposition of funds only in accordance with statutory and constitutional authority. Evashevski can find no statutory authority that authorizes this type of expenditure and does not believe it would be considered a direct public purpose. Examples of public purpose are sidewalks, parks, water, sewer and matters of health, safety and welfare. Attorney Evashevski's opinion, is it is *not* an authorized public purpose expenditure. Supr Durm to contact the committee and discuss this opinion.

MATTER TABLED.

**GROS CAP CHURCH RENTAL REQUEST:**

Luke Fowler would like to rent the Gros Cap Church on July 13, 14, &15, 2007. Mr. Fowler would like to set up his band and record music. Rental agreements in the past for weddings have been for two days, at a cost of \$200.

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO RENT THE GROS CAP CHURCH AT A COST OF \$200. ALSO HAVE MR. FOWLER SIGN A RELEASE OF LIABILITY TO THE TOWNSHIP AND SIGN A LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES TO THE CHURCH AND PROPERTY.**

Clerk Vallier stated a liable for damages is not one of the conditions on the Gros Cap Church Rental Agreement.

**MOTION BY HEUER, SECONDED BY VALLIER ( CARRIED ) TO ADD TO THE GROS CAP CHURCH RENTAL AGREEMENT THE FOLLOWING:**

**“THE RENTER SHALL BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES TO THE BUILDING AND OR PROPERTY”**

**PROPOSED PAINTBALL COURSE UPDATE:**

On Tuesday, June 26, 2007, Supr Durm attended a Ski Hill Committee meeting to discuss the proposed Paintball Course at Doc Holle’s Silver Mountain. Earlier that day, Supr Durm had discussed the issue with Jerry Adair, Rick Control Representative from Municipal Underwriters Insurance Company, for insurer for Moran Township. It is the opinion of the Risk Control Department the seriousness of the liability exposure involved would outweigh any benefits gained by allowing this activity to take place.

Therefore the Risk Control Dept will not approve this activity on Moran Twp Insurance. This information was shared with the Committee and members of the Paintball Club.

**AMEND FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET:**

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO AMEND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET BY \$5,000. NEW BUDGETED AMOUNT BEING \$50,000.**

Supr Durm to set up meeting with Bryce Tracy, 911 Coordinator and Fire Chief Bucky Robinson to discuss fire dispatching.

**AMEND CLERK’S BUDGET:**

**MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO AMEND THE CLERKS BUDGET BY \$2200 FOR THE PURCHASE OF PONTEM SOFTWARE, AND 1-YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1690 (GENERAL LEDGER PROGRAM – FOR COMPUTER) AND THE PURCHASE OF A RECONDITIONED TYPEWRITER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$510.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. The recreation agreement with the City of St. Ignace has been presented for signing. The previous agreement expired on December 31, 2006. At the recommendation of the Twp Board, Supr Durm to send a letter to the Recreation Committee and ask them to consider adding the Disc Golf to the recreation agreement, before signing. Also to ask the Recreation Committee for a 2006 Audit Report.

2. No responses from the advertising for sale of the Brevort Community Center.

**MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO LIST THE BREVORT COMMUNITY CENTER WITH REALTOR MACKINAC PROPERTIES.**

3. A resident of Gros Cap Road called the office to ask when the cross on the Gros Cap Church was going to be repaired. Supr Durm to ask Contractor St. Antoine to see if he would be interested.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Sign installer, Clayton Rooney, has presented a larger (6") 911 sign he would like to use for replacing the broken (4") 911 signs. Treas Dionne stated she was against the change because the purpose was to have all signs the same.

**MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO USE THE ORIGINAL DESIGN FOR (4") THE REPLACEMENT OF BROKEN 911 SIGNS.**

2. Treas Dionne stated the American Transmission Refund (Settlement from the Michigan Tax Tribunal) has been paid by the County in the amount of \$91,225.23. Moran Townships share is \$9,830.36.

**TOWNSHIP BILLS:** Checks 1433 thru 1473 = \$48,741.13

1433	P.J. Durm, Supr	\$ 1131.15
1434	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	779.37
1435	Susan K. Dionne, Treas	879.37
1436	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	395.78
1437	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	731.10
1438	Barbara Alkire, Custod	46.17
1439	DSP, Inc	2500.00
1440	Judy Luoma, Rd Comm	166.23
1441	Monica Silet, Rd Comm	124.68
1442	D.J. Goudreau, Chairman Rd Comm	184.70
1443	Processed with June Bills	
1444	Bruce St. Antoine Construction	10000.00
1445	B&B Snowplowing & Lawn Care	650.00
1446	Manatron	627.56
1447	Robert Bishop, Bldg Insp	191.09
1448	Brian Olsen	573.50

1449	Hendricks Twp Board	5000.00
1450	The St. Ignace News	39.38
1451	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	97.99
1452	Mark A. Spencer, Rd Comm	55.19
1453	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	46.13
1454	LaVerne Heuer, Trustee	157.00
1455	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	157.00
1456	Brown & Brown	380.50
1457	Mark A. Spencer, Rd Comm	124.68
1458	Pontem Software	1685.75
1459	VOID	
1460	Michigan Twp Assoc	280.00
1461	MTA	180.00
1462	Municipal Underwriters of Michigan, Inc	6786.00
1463	Mackinac Co Treas	5856.97
1464	National Office Products	113.92
1465	Cloverland Elec Coop	151.70
1466	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	51.38
1467	ESELCO	409.26
1468	Gleaner Life Insurance Society	6313.08
1469	VOID	
1470	Municipal Retirement Systems	190.00
1471	Batchelor Business Machines	505.00
1472	Brown & Brown	967.50
1473	Accident Fund	212.00
<b>EFT Withdrawals – 07-31-07</b>		
	Lighthouse.net	49.95
	IRS	1551.00

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) THE MEETING  
ADJOURNED AT 7:00 PM DST.**

**SIGNED**

*Kristine R. Vallier*  
**Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk**

**DATED: 07-10-2007**

APPROVED 08-01-2007