

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2008

The regular meeting of the Moran Township Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, June 4, 2008 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 DST with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Supr Durm, Clerk Vallier, Treas Dionne and Trustees Spencer and Heuer.

ABSENT: NONE

CITIZENS: Lee Ortman, Chuck Malcolm, Kathy Kittell, Judy Luoma and St. Ignace News Reporter Paul Gingras.

CANDIDATES FOR MACKINAC COUNTY OFFICES:

Treasurer candidates Nora Massey and Leroy Pieri.

Mackinac County Road Commission candidate,
Francis W. "Frank" Harness.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chuck Malcolm voiced an opinion on recent increase of Trustee salaries.

MINUTES:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO APPROVE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED FOR THE MEETING OF MAY 7, 2008.

CANDIDATES:

Candidates Nora Massey, Leroy Pieri and Frank Harness running for Mackinac County Treasurer in the August Primary, introduced themselves.

MACKINAC COUNTY MOWING CONTRACT:

Mackinac County Road Commission (MCRC) has decided not to mow grass along county roads this summer, due to lack of funds. Trustee and M.T. Road committee member, Mark Spencer requested from the MCRC an amount to do township mowings. The MCRC submitted a Road Agreement for Mowing Maintenance in the amount of \$6,000 (one mowing). Trustee Susan Dionne suggested paying under protest. Supr Durm states there are adequate funds in the M.T. road fund, if funds become available to the MCRC, we request to be reimbursed. Trustee Spencer states there are approx 41.7 miles of county roads in Moran Township. The State of Michigan has also stated it will not do mowings for grass along state roads either, due to lack of funds.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT THE MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION AGREEMENT FOR MOWING MAINTENANCE TO TOWNSHIP ROADS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000. MONIES TO COME FROM ROAD FUND.

ROAD AGREEMENT FOR OLD PORTAGE TRAIL:

Residents Chris and Kathy Kittell have been experiencing significant flooding in their front yard, located at W1256 Old Portage Trail, for several years. They are requesting a culvert to eliminate the problem. Supr Durm, Road Committee member Spencer along with the MCRC Foreman Bill Wagner met to discuss the problem. All agreed a culvert needs to be placed. Trustee Spencer states Griffin Beverage is planning to build a warehouse across from Kittell's. Spencer to check with plans to make sure Griffins drainage will not affect Kittell's, before installation.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT MACKINAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION ROAD AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION OF CROSS CULVERT AT W1256 OLD PORTAGE TRAIL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,900, TOWNSHIP COST \$5,400.

FAMILY BURIAL'S AT MORAN TOWNSHIP CEMETERIES:

Clerk Vallier states there have been several requests for burials on family plots. Cemetery Sexton Jake Tamlyn, also Sexton for St. Ignace Cemeteries and Catholic Cemetery, states their cost is \$100. Moran Township has been charging \$50.

MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO RAISE BURIAL ON FAMILY PLOTS TO \$100.

APPOINTMENT TO MORAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD:

Member MTPLC Suzy Hartley, is resigning. Ron Cotton is interested in serving.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) TO ACCEPT SUZY HARTLEY'S RESIGNATION ON THE MTPLC AND APPOINT RONALD COTTON, TERM ENDING 2011.

REAPPOINTMENT TO MTPLC & MTZBA:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY VALLIER (CARRIED) TO REAPPOINT NICKI KRYKOWSKI THE MTPLC AND JOEL SHEFFER TO THE MTZBA, TERM EXPIRING 2011.

GRASS MOWING BIDS:

It was discovered after awarding bids for the 2008 Grass Mowing season, that Kyle Moses was under 18. Supr Durm discussed with the insurance carrier who strongly urged the Township to not employ anyone under the age of 18 for mowing. After discussion with Tammy Moses, Kyles mother, Supr Durm recommends the Board approve Tammy Moses who agrees to the same terms of the contract, originally approved for Kyle.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO AWARD THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT (\$125 PER MOWING) TO TAMMY MOSES FOR BID TWO, WESTERN CEMETERY AND COMMUNITY CENTER IN BREVORT.

HOSPITAL SPECIAL ELECTION:

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO BILL MACKINAC STRAITS HOSPITAL FOR EXPENSES INCURRED AT THE TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2008 SPECIAL ELECTION. TOTAL COSTS \$928.93.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sexton Jake Tamlyn notified Clerk Vallier that the vault building located at the Gros Cap Cemetery needs to be replaced. Supr Durm to advertise for bids to replace the roof.
2. Sexton Mark Spencer states the utility shed located at the Western Cemetery in Brevort needs to be replaced.

MOTION BY VALLIER, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) TO BUY A NEW UTILITY SHED FOR THE WESTERN CEMETERY.

3. Treas Dionne had a request from a citizen during Spring Clean-Up Day concerning a hazardous waste pick-up. Frank Harness stated Clark Township (Cedarville) had a hazardous waste day and the Watershed Council from Sault Ste. Marie helped them to set it up. Supr Durm to contact them. Matter tabled.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Spencer informed the Board that the Fire Fighting Agreement with Hendricks Township has expired. Trustee Spencer would like to see it continued. Hendricks Township agrees to Fire Fighting Coverage in the Brevort area west of W3300 Gridline and south of the N5100 Gridline for a flat rate of \$5,000.

MOTION BY SPENCER, SECONDED BY DIONNE (CARRIED) IF HENDRICKS TOWNSHIP AGREES TO THE FIRE FIGHTING COVERAGE AGREEMENT IN BREVORT THAT MORAN TOWNSHIP PAY A FLAT RATE OF \$5,000 FOR ONE YEAR, EXPIRING JUNE 1, 2009.

Trustee Spencer would like Supr Durm to contact Trout Lake to discuss a similar agreement for the Fire Fighting Coverage in the Ozark for a flat rate of \$2,000.

TOWNSHIP BILLS: Checks 1805 thru 1837 + EFT's = \$24,426.92

1805	P.J. Durm, Supr	1131.10
1806	Kristine R. Vallier, Clerk	779.37
1807	Susan K. Dionne, Treas	879.37
1808	Robert Bishop, Bldg/Insp	395.78
1809	Mark A. Spencer, Zon Admr	731.10
1810	Barbara Alkire, Custod	46.17
1811	DSP, Inc	2002.96
1812	Michigan Townships Assoc	1405.44
1813	AT&T	231.82
1814	Mackinac Plumbing & Heating Co	50.00
1815	GBS	280.00
1816	Kamar Office Prod	814.03
1817	AT&T	65.33
1818	Northern Market	95.80
1819	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	138.53
1820	LaVerne Heuer, Trustee	138.53
1821	Robert Bishop Bldg/Insp	199.98
1822	Mark A. Spencer, Trustee	90.00

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1823	Mark A.Spencer, Zon Admr	41.92
1824	Mark A. Spencer, Rd Comm	71.26
1825	ESELCO	568.30
1826	Cloverland Elec Coop	170.48
1827	Pontem Software by RIA	389.00
1828	National Office Prod	75.00
1829	Prevention Fire and Safety	92.00
1830	Manistique Rentals, Inc	3515.00
1831	The St. Ignace News	306.26
1832	City of St. Ignace Water Dept	57.75
1833	Shirley Kelel, Dep Assess	66.50
1834	Accident Fund	1067.00
1835	Fidlar Co	111.72
1836	Reiter's Web Design, Inc	114.00
1837	Municipal Underwriters of MI, Inc	6799.00
EFT's		
	IRS	1456.47
	Lighthouse.net	49.95

ADJOURNMENT:

**MOTION BY DIONNE, SECONDED BY HEUER (CARRIED) THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 6:55 PM DST.**

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

DATED: JUNE 9, 2008

APPROVED: JULY 2, 2008