

BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
February 9, 2023
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APPROVED

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Gaudard called the meeting to order at ~~6:30 PM~~ **6:00 PM** and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other Board members in attendance were, Clerk W. Simmons, Treasurer S. Ritter, Trustee S. Van Dam, and Trustee D. Beynon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment opened and closed at 6:01 PM

Dave Skornia commented on the long- and short-term goal lists the Board of Trustee's put together and would like to see the Township promote more recycling as part of the Reduce, Reusable, and Recyclable concept prior to Spring clean-up helping to prevent the high cost of this program.

Dave Skornia also indicated he is in favor of the AED at the township hall and indicated the Skornia family would like to donate \$1,800.00 towards the device.

Public comment closed at 6:10 PM

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

MOTION by Beynon seconded by Van Dam to approve the January 12, 2023 Board of Trustees regular meeting minutes as presented upon affirmative voice vote of the Board Members present.

MOTION by Simmons seconded by Beynon to approve the January 25, 2023 Board of Trustees special meeting minutes as presented upon affirmative voice vote of all Board Members present.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

The front door outside light can be left on at all times now because of the efficiency bulb that is in place.

TREASURER REPORT

January 31, 2023 Treasurer's report as follows:

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

General Fund Savings: Huntington	\$ 148,377.70
General Fund Savings: 4Front Credit Union	\$ 249,604.86
General Fund Savings: Charlevoix State Bank	\$ 104,092.89
General Fund Checking: Huntington	\$ 19,474.02
Certificate of Deposit: Charlevoix State Bank	\$ 36,000.00

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS: \$ 557,549.47

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Road Fund Savings: Huntington	\$ 110,473.91
Road Fund Savings: Charlevoix State Bank	\$ 139,124.64

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS: \$ 249,598.55

TAX FUND CHECKING

Tax Fund Checking: Huntington	\$ 621,224.77
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TOTAL \$1,428,196.37

Funds held at 4Front Credit Union:	\$ 249,604.86
General/Road Funds held at Huntington:	\$ 203,851.72
General/Road Funds held at Charlevoix State Bank:	\$ 243,217.53

As of to date 85% of winter property taxes have been collected or \$5,811,675.11

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WARRANTS

A written report by Simmons presented the warrants for payment.

MOTION by Gaudard seconded by Ritter to approve the February 9, 2023 warrants, totaling \$17,099.06 to be paid from the General Fund, passed upon affirmative roll-call vote of the Board members present.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Note: A copy of the minutes are on file with the Township Clerk which has further detail.

A presentation and update report from LIAA/TIP of the MITT Watershed Council/Lake Charlevoix Association, specifically focused on Lake Charlevoix Shoreline protection.

- Townships need to be involved to protect our lakes and ground water for current and future generations
- This will be a long-term undertaking that needs to be sustained
- There is no consistency around Lake Charlevoix with ordinances and enforcement
- Thru the permitting process we have the opportunity to facilitate compliance with existing ordinances. Enforcement of ordinances after the fact is difficult
- Need to educate residents on the importance of protecting our lakes

PC also worked on further edits to Article 17, Non-conforming uses.

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Note: A copy of the Zoning Administrator report is on file with the Township Clerk.

No report was given at this time.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There will be an administrative meeting to be held on February 21, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE AND SEXTON REPORT

Note: A copy of this report is on file with the Township Clerk which has further detail.

T&K Lawn Care will maintain their pricing same as 2022 and were given Board approval to continue with the lawncare for 2023.

PARKS AND REC

No report was given at this time.

SPRING CLEAN UP

A quote has been received from GFL (American) with billing rates of \$67.00 per compacted yard and a June 10, 2023 proposed curbside pick-up date. Overall cost with limitations put on of 2 square yards per household will still run around \$30,000. Gaudard will look into a second bid. New options will need to be explored for future spring clean-up.

COMMUNICATIONS

Board would like to research a way to better communicate to the Bay Township constituents. There are minimal hits on the website for information.

- Newsletter
- E-mail blasts (collect e-mails at time of voting)
- Facebook page

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment opened and closed at 7:55 PM. There was no public comment.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Beynon, seconded by Van Dam to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM, passed upon affirmative voice vote of the Board Members present.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer Simmons".

Bay Township Clerk