

BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEE

October 12, 2023

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

APPROVED

CALL TO ORDER

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment opened at 6:02 PM. John & Deb Roe of Curtis Lane are now permanent residents in Bay Township. They do not want Curtis Lane paved as requested in the September 14, 2023 public comments.

Closed Public Comment at 6:05 PM.

AGENDA ACTIONS

Roads will be added to the agenda.

PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

MOTION by Simmons seconded by Ritter to approve the September 14, 2023 Board of Trustees regular meeting minutes as amended upon affirmative voice vote of the Board Members present.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- Gaudard attended the September 26, 2023 meeting of the Walloon Lake Association Meeting. He has concerns with the way the Board would be formed and the goals and agenda are very vague.
- Gaudard attended a two-day Supervisor's retreat.
- MTA is lobbying very actively against the State of Michigan's Renewable Energy Resolution which if passed, will take away local control of renewable energy sources i.e.; wind, solar, gravel pits etc. and place the control under the State of Michigan thereby negating local zoning and local community input.
- Thank you to Dave Skop for donating his time and expertise in refinishing the hall tables.
- Bids from MDOT on the Bike trail are due November 6, 2023.

TREASURER REPORT

September 30, 2023 Treasurer's report as follows:

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

General Fund Savings: Huntington	\$ 66,640.98
General Fund Savings: 4Front Credit Union	\$ 250,267.59
General Fund Savings: Charlevoix State Bank	\$ 104,404.87
General Fund Checking: Huntington	\$ 36,119.51
Certificate of Deposit: Charlevoix State Bank	\$ 36,000.00

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS: \$ 493,432.95

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Road Fund Savings: Huntington	\$ 210,047.14
Road Fund Savings: Charlevoix State Bank	\$ 139,539.26

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS: \$ 349,586.40

TAX FUND CHECKING

Tax Fund Checking: Huntington	\$ 788,027.87
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TOTAL \$1,631,047.22

WARRANTS

A written report by Simmons presented the warrants for payment.

MOTION by Ritter seconded by Beynon to approve the October 12, 2023 warrants, totaling \$24,475.13 to be paid from the General Fund, passed upon affirmative roll-call vote of the Board members present.

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PLANNING COMMISSION

Public Hearing for Article **17 will be** held on November 7, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

- Article 6 is currently being worked on with Anna McGlashen from Tip of the Mitt.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATORS
REPORT**

No report received.

- Beynon and Ritter explored other available options including pricing for a Zoning Administrator.
 - Scott McPherson is not taking on any new clients. McPherson is already doing City of Boyne City and Evangeline Township.
 - Beckett & Raeder do not have enough help to take on anymore clients.

**ZONING BOARD OF
APPEALS**

There was no meeting.

ROADS

MOTION by Simmons, seconded by Beynon to request a formal bid from the Charlevoix County Road Commission to put down Ashton Stone on Sumner Road passed on a voice vote of all Board Members present with Ritter voting no.

- Gaudard to discuss with the Charlevoix County Road Commission if Bay Township will still receive an accumulative total of \$30,000 towards this project.
- Gaudard is also requesting the Charlevoix County Road Commission to increase the \$15,000 for projects to a higher amount.

CEMETERY/SEXTON

Note: A copy of the Cemetery/Sexton report is on file with the Township Clerk.

- 2024 primary cemetery goals were given including a ring road for Dyer Cemetery, Unmarked grave markers, and road signage for entrance and exit area.
- Discussion regarding the Sexton/Maintenance Facilitator position is tabled till the November Board meeting when a complete board will be present.

CEMETERY ORDINANCE 13-B

Note: A copy of this Ordinance is on file with the Township Clerk.

MOTION by Simmons, seconded by Beynon to adopt the Bay Township Cemetery Ordinance 13-B pursuant to the required statutory procedures passed upon affirmative roll-call vote of the Board Members present.

METRO ACT RIGHT OF WAY

Permission was given to approve and sign the Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension with AT&T Michigan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment opened at 7:20 PM.

- There is still an issue with the owners next to the public access site known as 'Lily Pad' off of Eagle Island Road. Owners have not removed their invisible fence located on the access site. The owner's dog is not kept on a leash because of the fence and goes after other dogs on a leash that are permitted to use the public access on to Walloon Lake.
- Chris Sutton requested an update with regard to the wetlands being filled in on Eagle Island Road.
- Reycraft Road continues to be damaged by all the trucks hauling dirt to Eagle Island Road property. Was there a permit given out?

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- Georganna Monk indicated an updated is needed on the flyer showing all the access sites on Walloon Lake and Lake Charlevoix within Bay Township needs to be updated.
- John Roe would like to know if there is a possibility of volunteers helping out with photographing the shoreline with GPS both before and after the installation of docks and having future building sites along the shore documented.

Public comment closed at 7:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ritter, seconded by Beynon to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM, passed upon affirmative voice vote of the Board Members present.

Respectfully submitted,



Bay Township Clerk