

**PLEASE NOTE THESE ARE THE  
UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE**

**BURT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
January 2, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak on January 2, 2014, at 2:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, 7029 Birchwood Road, Cheboygan Michigan 49721.

**ATTENDANCE:** Harold, Koviak, Shirley Reimann, Arthur Pillen, Eugene Hodulik, Donna McDougall

**ABSENT:** None

**GUESTS:** Hannah , Jim Larson, Dan Swantek, Steve Vorenkamp

Supervisor Koviak led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA:** Koviak

Additions: Hannah Palmer – Republic Services

Deletions - None

**Public Comments on Agenda** – None

**Public Comment** – None

**Consent Agenda**

**MOTION:** Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to approve the Board Minutes of December 5, 2013 as presented and payment of the bills.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**New Business**

Maple Bay Boat Access Site Plowing Agreement - Koviak

Attorney Tim MacArthur reviewed the contract and stated in his memo dated December 27, 2013, that the plowing agreement proposed by the DNR was similar to other DNR “boiler plate” contracts which give every advantage to the DNR and that the contract contains a blanket hold harmless provision making the township liable for any accidents or incidents that occur during snowplowing.

Pillen asked if the contract would be renewed from year to year without negotiation. Hodulik said the ending date should be April 1, 2014 instead of November 30, 2014.

Section 6A – “Permitter shall provide snowplowing and/or removal service” was discussed.

Koviak and Pillen will set up a meeting with Kelly Kinser to clarify the contract.

**MOTION:** Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to table this issue until the next meeting on March 6, 2014 unless a Special Board Meeting is required.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Member Appointments

Planning Commission: Koviak said terms expired December 31, 2013 for Gene Hodulik and Ann Baughman. Chair Gary Street retired from the Planning Commission with one year remaining on his term.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Terms expired for Dennis Reimann and Harold Koviak on December 31, 2013.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to reappoint Gene Hodulik and appoint David Hutto (to replace Ann Baughman) to the Planning Commission for a three-year term and to appoint Chris Kinsvatter to finish Gary Street's remaining one year of the three-year term. And, to reappoint Dennis Reimann and Harold Koviak to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term and to appoint Scott Forsmark as Alternate for a three-year term.

Hodulik – 2014 – 2016

Hutto – 2014 – 2016

Kinsvatter – 2014

Reimann – 2014 – 2016

Koviak – 2014 – 2016

Forsmark – 2014 – 2016

**MOTION APPROVED**

2014 -2015 Board Meeting Schedule

**MOTION:** Moved by Reimann, supported by Pillen to approve the following Board Meeting dates for 2014-2015 as follows:

January 2, 2014 – 2:00 pm

February – No Meeting

March 6, 2014 – 2:00 pm

April 3, 2014 – 1:30 pm – Public Hearing on the 2014-2015 Budget

April 3, 2014 – 2:00 pm – Board Meeting

May 1, 2014 – 7:00 pm

June 5, 2014 – 7:00 pm

July 3, 2014 – 7:00 pm

August 7, 2014 – 7:00 pm

September 4, 2014 – 7:00 pm

October 2, 2014 – 7:00 pm

November 6, 2014 – 7:00 pm

December 4, 2014 – 2:00 pm

January 8, 2015 – 2:00 pm

February – No Meeting

March 5, 2015 – 2:00 pm

**MOTION APPROVED**

Republic Services – Hannah Palmer

The trash removal contract with Republic Services expires February 1, 2014. A new contract is offered with prices guaranteed for 12 months. A five year contract will contain price increase of 3% and a three year contract will have increases of 4%.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to accept Republic Service contract for a period of three years.

## **MOTION APPROVED**

### **Reports**

#### Burt Lake Trail – Pillen

Pillen thanked Steven Vorenkamp for his and Connie's volunteer service on the Burt Lake Trail. NEMCOG will take the leadership role for the Trail and a meeting is planned for January 14, 2014, at 1:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall to begin this process. Residents on the east side of Burt Lake are encouraged to work on this phase of the trail.

TF 10-047, Burt Lake Trail Non-Motorized Trail Development Amendment No. 2 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Project Agreement (with extension to September 30, 2014) was accepted and placed on file.

#### Planning Commission – Hodulik

The next meeting is January 20, 2014 at 7:00 pm. The topic will be sign classifications by size and oil and gas processing centers, as well as the results from the survey for the Master Plan.

#### Zoning Board of Appeals – Koviak

The Morrow appeal is tabled until the February meeting.

#### Zoning Board of Appeals Annual Report

The Annual report was accepted and placed on file with corrections.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Koviak noted that the Road Commission is doing a good job snowplowing this winter.

Jon Jontz – The Road Commission is plowing snow on the Burt Lake Trail.

Steve Vorenkamp – Burt Township needs to get State Rep. Pettalia involved in improving Brutus Road from Maple River to US 31.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Koviak to adjourn.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Adjourned at 3:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna McDougall, Clerk