

**BURT TOWNSHIP
Board Meeting
October 6, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak on October 6, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan, Michigan.

Attendance: Harold Koviak, Shirley Reimann, Gene Hodulik, Art Pillen, Donna McDougall

Absent: None

Guests: Russ Elmhirst, James Larson, Connie Vorenkamp, Steve Vorenkamp, Fred Lindroth

Agenda

Additions to the Agenda:

Old Business: Burt Township v. James Parker

New Business: Correspondence

Deletions to the Agenda: None

Public Comment on Agenda: None

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Minutes – September 1, 2011

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve the minutes of September 1, 2011 as published.

MOTION APPROVED

Bills

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik, to approve payment of the bills in the amount of: \$61,608.04.

MOTION APPROVED

Old Business

Township Sign – Koviak

The sign was installed yesterday at the corner of Crump and Birchwood Roads.

Road Paving - Koviak

W. Numbers Road is now paved.

James Parker Case - Koviak

Attorney MacArthur sent a determination from Judge Pavlich who did not award attorney fees for the James Parker case to Burt Township. MacArthur submitted a request for filing and service fees in the amount of \$269.80 on September 30, 2011

New Business

Planning Commission - Koviak

The Planning Commission will meet on November 1, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall. The DNR will present a site plan review for the Maple Bay boat launch. Supervisor Koviak requested that everyone attend, if possible.

Burt Lake Trail – Steve Vorenkamp

Amanda from C2AE was at the meeting on September 26. The finalized route and easements are needed. Resident Jim MacMillan from West Burt Lake Road attended and was concerned over the easements. Easements need to be obtained by mid-December.

Resolution for the Up North Trails Collaborative – Steve Vorenkamp

Steve Vorenkamp presented a Resolution for support of the Up North Trails Collaborative backed by Steve Schnell from Cheboygan County. This collaborative will develop a website to promote tourism through trails in northern Michigan. NEMCOG has also worked on this. No financial request is made from the township, just a resolution of support. The Partnerships for Change Sustainable Communities Programs will award a grant to cover the costs to develop the website.

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik for a Resolution supporting the Up North Collaborative to develop a comprehensive tourism-based website and economic strategy focused on trails throughout northern Michigan and the pursuit of a LIAA Partnerships for Change Sustainable Communities Grant.

MOTION APPROVED

Cheboygan County Trailways Advisory Council – Steve Vorenkamp

Steve Schnell would like two (2) people from Burt Township to be on an advisory council.

Steve Vorenkamp suggested that Gary Street and Connie Vorenkamp represent Burt Township.

MOTION: Moved by Koviak, supported by Pillen to appoint Gary Street and Connie Vorenkamp to act as Burt Township representatives on the Cheboygan County Trailways Advisory Council.

MOTION APPROVED

Burt Township Pledge – Steve Vorenkamp

Steve requested Burt Township pay towards the \$10,000.00 2011-2012 budget pledge to the Burt Lake Trail now.

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to pay \$5,000.00 towards the \$10,000.00 2011-2012 budget pledge now and the remaining \$5,000.00 in January 2012.

MOTION APPROVED

Zoning – Koviak

Koviak reported that Dan Swantek has been giving out permits and working on the site plan from the DNR. CORRECTED TO READ AS: Koviak reported that Dan Swantek is receiving the site plan from the DNR

MTA

Koviak and Pillen attended the MTA meeting at the new 911 ambulance center in Indian River. Dallas Hyde gave a presentation about the center and reported that they are financially ok from the millage under current conditions.

Correspondence - Koviak

Koviak received a copy of a letter from Jim Anderson on Indian Point Lane to the Cheboygan Road Commission complimenting them on keeping the roads in good condition this year. Correspondence placed on file.

Tax Letter – Koviak

The tax letter needs to be done by November 14, 2011. Topics to be included: FEMA, millage renewals, Burt Lake Trail, Maple Bay boat launch, road paving projects, Spring Clean Up, Zoning updates.

Assessor – Fred Lindroth

Lindroth reported he expects a 6% drop expected in tax for next year. No new cases at the tax tribunal.

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to adjourn.

MOTION APPROVED

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall
Clerk