

**BURT TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
March 1, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak at 2:05 pm on March 1, 2012 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: Carolyn & Iver Thornburg

AGENDA: Koviak

Additions: Fire Report – Iver Thornburg

Deletions: None

Public Comment: None

Minutes: January 5, 2012

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported by Hodulik to approve the minutes of the Burt Township Board meeting of January 5, 2012 as presented.

MOTION APPROVED

BILLS

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve payment of the bills totaling \$14,082.63.

MOTION APPROVED

OLD BUSINESS

Road Commission Meeting – Koviak

Koviak reported that Burt Township has a gravel inventory of 2578 cubic ft.

He has requested a new bid for Service Road from the road commission with a due date of April 5, 2012.

S. Extension Road - The crushed rock job on S. Extension Road from Mullett-Burt Road to Topinabee Mail Route Road needs to be completed. Burt and Mullett Townships will each pay \$1250.00 to complete the project.

The Road Commission will hold evening meetings on May 17th, August 2nd and October 18th.

The culvert needs to be replaced on Birchwood Road (abandoned road).

Internet – Pillen

HughesNet – cost is \$400 for equipment and \$90/month

RACC – highspeed internet should be available in April

NEW BUSINESS

Planning Commission – Hodulik

At the January 16, 2012, Planning Commission approved the Special Approval Application for improvements to the Maple Bay Boat Access Site with all changes to the General Findings of Facts and Conditions.

At the February 20, 2012, Public Hearing, the Planning Commission approved recommendation of the proposed amendment of Section 3.09 Schedule of Regulations, adding footnote “n”, and Section 6.10.2 Private Shared Lake Access Lot Management, adding the word “shared” in the title and in the introductory paragraph to the Zoning Ordinance Changes were sent to the County Planning Commission for review. The Planning Commission will bring the information to the board at the April board meeting.

Burt Lake Trail – Pillen

\$115,351.25 has been received in pledges. Another appeal letter will go out soon. \$23,244.39 so far paid in expenses as of January 31, 2012. A grant request was sent to DALMAC Fund requesting \$10,000. Grant requests will be going out to Bikes Belong asking for \$10,000 and the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Community Foundation for \$5,000. Easements are still needed.

MTA - Koviak

Lisa Fought from NEMCOG was the speaker.

ZBA – Koviak

A variance was granted to Robert and Brenda Brindley on Hardwood Road, Brutus, for a storage building.

Fire Meeting – Iver Thornburg

Iver Thornburg presented the Pellston fire run report for 2011. 88 total runs, 13 of which were in Burt Township.

2011-2012 Budget

MOTION: Moved by Reimann, supported by McDougall to amend the 2011-2012 budget as follows:

Increase: Elections from \$500.00 to \$700.00

Sanitation from \$40,000.00 to \$42,000.00

Legal & Professional Fees from \$10,000.00 to \$13,000.00

Decrease: Township Hall from \$35,000.00 to \$29,800.00

MOTION APPROVED

Liquor Fund Transfer

MOTION: Moved by Reimann, supported by McDougall to transfer \$400 from the General Fund to the Liquor Fund.

MOTION APPROVED

Public Hearing for 2012-2013 Budget

MOTION: Moved by McDougall, supported by Reimann to hold a Public Hearing on the 2012-2013 budget on April 5, 2012, at 1:30 pm at the Burt Township Hall.

MOTION APPROVED

PIE&G Meeting – Koviak

The power plant in Rogers City is on hold due to new regulations.

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik supported by Pillen to adjourn.

MOTION APPROVED

Meeting adjourned at 2:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna McDougall, Clerk