

**BURT TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
March 6, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak on March 6, 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: Michael Brendly, Russ Elmhirst, Jim Larson

Supervisor Koviak led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Koviak

Additions: None

Deletions - None

Public Comments on Agenda – None

Public Comment – None

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve the Board Minutes of January 2, 2014 as presented and payment of the bills.

MOTION APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

Planning Commission – Hodulik

Hodulik presented the proposed zoning amendment to the Burt Township Ordinance for comment. This amendment includes a revision to categorize signs by size to maintain uniformity; a new section to address gas and oil processing centers; and a revision to accessory buildings to address the increasing use of tent-type storage structures. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments at a later date.

Property Splits

Bruce Law Lot Split – Koviak

Koviak presented the lot split application prepared by Mary Campbell, M.C. Planning & Design, from Bruce Laws of Green Acorn Properties, LLC to split parcel number 120-026-200-020-00 located at the junction of Numbers Road and Nippissing Trail, in part of Section 25 and 26 of T36N-R3W. According to Mary Campbell, the lot split meets the requirements of the Burt Township Zoning Ordinance and complies with the overall dimensional requirements.

Smith Trust Lot Split – Koviak

Brian Fullford requested a lot split on behalf of the Smith Trust to split parcel number 120-013-100-005-00, located on White Goose Drive, in the SW1/4 of Section 13 of T36N-R3W.

Mary Campbell prepared the request for the lot split. It is her recommendation that the Burt Township Board approve the lot split with the condition that parcel A must be combined or legally restricted for use with the adjoining parcel #120-013-100-010-01 and parcel B must be combined for legally restricted for use to be in combination with parcel #120-014-200-030-01.

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Koviak to approve the Bruce Law Lot Split as presented and the Smith Trust Lot Split with the condition that parcel A must be combined or legally restricted for use with the adjoining parcel #120-013-100-010-01 and parcel B must be combined for legally restricted for use to be in combination with parcel #120-014-200-030-01.

MOTION APPROVED

2013-2014 Budget

MOTION: Moved by McDougall, supported by Reimann to amend the 2013-2014 budget:

Decrease: Hall - \$11,000, Misc. - \$23,000, and Roads(Other) - \$1,500 and increase Insurance - \$1,000, Public Improvement - \$26,500 and Parks & Recreation - \$7,000.

MOTION APPROVED

2014-2015 Budget

The Board reviewed expenditures and revenue for the 2013-2014 budget and discussed the proposed 2014-2015 budget. No road millage will be spent for 2014-2015. The budget will be finalized at the April meeting.

Great Up North Marketing Plan

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen for Burt Township not to participate in the Great Up North Marketing Plan

MOTION APPROVED

Reports

Burt Lake Trail – Pillen

NEMCOG/Burt Lake Trail Committee met in January. Minutes from the meeting are not yet available.

Planning Commission

The 2013 Annual Report was received and placed on file.

ZBA – Koviak

At the February ZBA meeting, an appeal was approved for Bert Ebbers and Katie Parker for a deck on the back of their garage. (Chair Katie Parker was recused from voting on this appeal.)

Election of Officers:

Chair – Katie Parker, Vice Chair – Kim Kihnke and Secretary – Dennis Reimann.

Zoning Administrator – James Larson

Several calls have come in for future building projects.

Supervisor's Report – Koviak

- Board of Review – the first Assessments went out wrong from the county so a second mailing was done. The Board of Review dates were changed from March 11 and 12 to March 11 and March 18.
- MTA Convention – Attendance at the convention was up 20 percent from the previous year. The educational sessions were very good with standing room only at many of them.
- DNR Maple Bay Snowplowing agreement was received in February and signed. The parking area and the road end are both plowed.
- Road Ends – Title Search and Surveys were received from Tim MacArthur and will be sent to the Road Commission.
- Chris Kindsvatter emailed the Board to ask for support on a snowplowing problem he has experienced with his neighbor and the Road Commission. The e-mail was received and placed on file.
- PIE&G – is working at getting a natural gas franchise in Burt Township.

Social Host Awareness Month

MOTION: Moved by Koviak, supported by Pillen to support Up North Prevention's Social Awareness Month to reduce or eliminate underage drinking.

MOTION APPROVED

Public Comment

Russ Elmhirst asked if stakes have been ordered for the cemetery. Koviak said not yet but he will order them soon.

Upcoming Meetings

Board of Appeals – March 11, 2014 – 3 pm to 9 pm and March 18, 9 am to 3 pm

Planning Commission – March 17, 2014 – 7:00 pm

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

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

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

MOTION APPROVED

Adjourned at 3:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall
Clerk