

**BURT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING**

**April 4, 2013**

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak on April 4, 2013, at 2:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, 7029 Birchwood Road, Cheboygan Michigan 49721.

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

**ABSENT:** Eugene Hodulik, Excused

**GUESTS:** Mike Brendly, Russ Elmirst, James Larsen, Randy Stempky, PIE&G, Dan Swantek

**AGENDA:** Koviak

Additions:

New Business –

Board of Review

211

Public Comments on Agenda – None

Public Comment – None

Minutes – March 7, 2013

**MOTION:** Moved by Pillen, supported by Koviak to approve the minutes of March 7, 2013 as presented.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Bills:

**MOTION:** Moved by Pillen, supported by Reimann to approve payment of the bills.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**Old Business** – None

**New Business:**

Presque Ile Electric & Gas Co-op

Randy Stempky attended the meeting to give an update on PIE&G. Burt Township franchised with PIE&G in 2002 and the agreement will expire in 2032. PIE&G provides electric service to 291 properties in Burt Township.

2013-2014 Budget

Anticipated revenues in General Fund \$880,204.27 and \$843.77 in Liquor Fund and Expenditures of \$504,900 in General Fund and \$784.00 in Liquor Fund.

**MOTION:** Moved by Pillen, supported by Reimann to accept the proposed budget for 2013-2014 as presented.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Planning Commission – Koviak

Planning Commission is working on a survey to be mailed to residents in September similar to the survey conducted 10 years ago. Residents will be asked to return it within 60 days.

MTA – Koviak

Koviak reported that MTA will hold retreats for supervisors, treasurers, clerks and trustees on Mackinaw Island in May.

Road Funding Public Meetings - Koviak

Rep. Pettalia moderated several public meetings to discuss proposals on road funding. Following that meeting, Cheboygan County Road Commission sent a sample letter asking that it be copied on Burt Township letterhead and sent to State and US representatives requesting increased road support. Clerk will send the letters.

Policies and Procedures – Koviak

Burt Township needs to update policies and procedures. Supervisor Koviak asked for volunteers to work on this project. McDougall and Pillen will begin the process.

Board of Review – Koviak

March Board of Review had 13 petitions compared with 12 in 2012. All residents received a 2.4 percent taxable increase. Supervisor Koviak noted the Hall needs a copier to copy appraisals.

211 – Koviak

The Cheboygan County United Way is requesting all townships to support 211. Last year the Burt Township Board agreed to fund 211 but as MTA gave \$1,500 towards their start-up costs, a grant was not needed. 211 is now asking for \$152 from each township for 2013.

**MOTION:** Moved by Koviak, supported by Pillen to support 211 with a grant in the amount of \$152.00 for 2013.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Pellston School Election - McDougall

Burt Township will host the May 7, 2013 school election. The County Clerk's office will handle the absentee voter registrations, and Pellston Schools will pick up the costs associated with the election.

**Public Comment:**

Mike Brendly, 467 Eagles Nest Rd., Indian River

Mr. Brendly said he had three questions regarding roads.

- 1) He wants the speed limit lowered on Eagles Nest Road – currently at 55mph.
- 2) He wants to know when Service Road will be paved.

- 3) He wants 10 yds. of crushed rock for the parking lot at the boat launch on Sturgeon Bay Rd. He asked Tuscarora Township for gravel but they did not respond.

Koviak answered Mr. Brendly's questions as follows:

- 1) The township does not have any authority over the speed limit; the State Police requires 20 driveways/half mile to lower the speed limit.
- 2) Burt Township has not yet received an estimate from the Road Commission for paving Service Road.
- 3) Koviak will look into upgrading the parking lot as the Maple Bay boat launch will be closed for most of the 2013 boating season and Sturgeon Bay will have greater use.

Koviak asked if there was any other public comment – None

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

**MOTION APPROVED**

Adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Clerk