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**BURT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING**

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The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak at 2:00 pm on April 5, 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:** Russ Elmhirst, Dan Swantek, Linda Socha, Gary Street

**AGENDA:** Koviak

Additions: Old Business: Internet Service – Gene Hodulik

New Business: County Commissioner Report – Linda Socha

Deletions: None

**Public Comment:**

Dan Swantek noted that he would like to be put on record regarding the status of the Cheboygan Hospital and questioned why aren't politicians involved in resolving this situation.

Koviak reported that Stabenow, **Pettelia**, Foster and McMaster have said they are working on this. Linda Socha said the County Commissioners have sent letters to representatives requesting support for resolution.

**Minutes: March 1, 2012**

**MOTION:** Moved by Pillen, supported by Reimann to approve the minutes of the Burt Township Board meeting of March 1, 2012 as presented.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**BILLS**

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve payment of the bills totaling \$25,289.24.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Updated Service Road Estimate – Koviak**

The new estimate to: ditch, replace culverts, tree removal, aggregate base, guardrail, approaches and slope restoration for Service Road between Numbers Road and Topinabee Mail Route Road 6575' (1.25 miles) is \$132,364.02. This estimate meets the Street Scape model objectives of the township and includes culverts not included in the original estimate of \$103,330.00. Estimated project completion date is November 15, 2012.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to accept the estimate furnished by the Cheboygan Road Commission dated April 5, 2012 to ditch, replace culverts, tree removal,

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aggregate base, guardrail, approaches and slope restoration for Service Road between Numbers Road and Topinabee Mail Route Road 6575' (1.25 miles) at a cost of \$132,364.02.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**Internet – Hodulik**

Rick Bacon, RACC Enterprises said he would like to use the tower located at S. Extension Road and Polish Line Roads. He is sending out flyers next week to see how much interest there would be in that area for highspeed internet services.

**New Business**

**Planning Commission – Gary Street**

Street presented to the Board two new Zoning Ordinance Amendments.

- 1) Section 1. Amendment of Section 3.09 Schedule of Regulations footnote 'n'  
This will allow the Planning Commission to increase the lot coverage maximum to a total of five percent provided the Planning Commission finds the proposed project is for public benefit, located on public property.
- 2) Section 2. Amendment of Section 6.10.2 heading and introductory paragraph only.  
Private **Shared** Lake Access Lots Management  
A private shared lake access lot shall be used only for ingress and egress .....  
(For clarification purposes)

The proposed amendments were sent to the Cheboygan County Planning Commission for comment. No comments received.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendment recommendation from the Planning Commission as presented.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Reimann – yes; Pillen – yes; Hodulik –yes; McDougall – yes; Koviak – yes

**MOTION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

**Maple Bay Boat Launch Project – Street**

The Planning Commission has approved the site plan and special use permit for the DNR for Maple Bay. Drawings signed by Street and Cheli. The DNR has made minor changes that need to be approved by Zoning Administrator Dan Swantek.

Street said the boat launch may not be constructed until 2013 due to funds and permits. The Special Use Permit and site plan given to the DNR will expire in December 2012 so they will need to be renewed by the Planning Commission.

**Planning Commission Agenda Items – Street**

- 1) The township is unable to recover legal fees because there is not a provision in the ordinance to do so. The Planning Commission will work with Mary Campbell and Tim MacArthur to add this to the ordinance.

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- 2) Destroyed or abandoned buildings and facilities – This is a growing problem in the township and an ordinance is needed to remedy this situation. Linda Socha said Tim MacArthur wrote an ordinance covering these problems for Beaugrand Township.

### **Road millage Survey – Koviak**

The Cheboygan County Road Commission is considering asking taxpayers to approve a millage (1 mil for 5 years) which will produce a total of \$5 million at the November 2012 election. They sent each township a survey to determine if there is any support for a millage in the county. As the previous millage request by the County was supported by the majority of Burt Township residents, the board answered in the affirmative that Burt Township may support a county-wide millage in the November 2012 election with support going for local roads, primary roads and maintenance.

Russ Elmhirst stated he has seen no road repairs unless the township pays for them.

Dan Swantek said part of his road is only ½” deep now and he has big holes in front of his house. The Road Commission admitted to him that the work was inferior and should have been done correctly.

### **MTA – Koviak**

The March MTA meeting was attended by Koviak, Hodulik, McDougall, and Mary Campbell. Sue Conradson, Cadillac District Floodplain Engineer, DEQ, was the speaker. She discussed the Flood Plain Maps which have been distributed to the townships. Burt Township will need to pass a resolution and adopt an ordinance to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. Mary Campbell is working with Steve Schnell to get digital maps for residents. Sue Conradson said she will attend an open forum to explain to residents about the program. Hodulik will coordinate to get information on the Burt Township website, BLPA website, an article in the BLPA newsletter, and possibly have Sue Conradson be the speaker for the BLPA annual meeting on July 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **2012-2013 Budget Resolution**

**BURT TOWNSHIP  
2012-2013  
BUDGET RESOLUTION**

Whereas anticipated revenues of Burt Township of the fiscal year 2012-2013 including millage, State, miscellaneous and other revenue will be \$862,713.32 in the General fund and \$842.88 in the Liquor Fund and expenditures will be \$575,100.00 in the General fund and \$784.00 in the Liquor Fund.

Whereas a budget has been prepared for the expenditures, distribution, and allocation of such revenues during the next year,

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Whereas the Township Board is now satisfied that the budget prepared is reasonable and in the best interest of the Township, now, therefore to govern the expenditures of the Township,

Be it therefore resolved that it is the expressed interest of the Township Board that is budget be adopted and managed by individual accounts.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik and supported by Pillen to adopt the foregoing resolution.

Roll call vote: Reimann –yes; Pillen – yes; Hodulik – yes; McDougall –yes; Koviak -yes

**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

Clerk McDougall declared the Motion carried and the Resolution adopted.

**County Commissioner Report – Linda Socha**

Linda Socha said the County is working on several projects including the animal control building, a building for the Trailblazers Assoc. at the fairgrounds, and repairs to the County building. The Sheriff's Dept. is tight now with reductions in force, no state police post in Cheboygan, and the Tuscarora Dept. is short one person. However, the Sheriff's Dept is doing a good job being able to maintain the school liaison officer and SANE officer. Linda commended the Tri-County Emergency Manager, Greg Williams who has handled a lot of issues including the recent snowstorm and hospital closing since being hired.

**MTA Training**

May 15<sup>th</sup> in Gaylord. Hodulik said he will attend.

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

**MOTION APPROVED**

Adjourned at 3:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall

Clerk