

~~NOTICE – THESE ARE THE UNAPPROVED~~

**BURT TOWNSHIP
BOARD MINUTES
March 7, 2024**

The budget workshop regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order at 2:00 pm by Supervisor Harold Koviak

PRESENT: Harold Koviak, Shirley Reimann, Katie Parker, Christy Kozlowski, Gene Hodulik

Also Attending: Jim Larson (Zoning Administrator), Fred Lindroth (Assessor), David Klebba, Ann Klebba, Marty Cheney, Jeff Ostman (County Commissioner), Melissa Kendzierski (EGLE), Tiffany Newcombe (EGLE), Max Boettger, Renee Kinney, Brian Kinney

AGENDA - Koviak

MOTION: Moved by Parker, supported by Hodulik to approve the agenda with the addition to restore local control for wind and solar

MOTION APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of February 1, 2024

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Parker to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2024 meeting

APPROVAL OF BILLS

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Reimann to approve the bills

TREASURERS REPORT – As of February 2024

Certificates of Deposit	
Citizens National Bank	\$26,263.63
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PNC	<u>\$56,024.81</u>
Total CD's	\$110,625.61
Savings	\$ 413,106.96
Checking	\$ 17,443.92
Citizens: Trail Account	\$717.79
Citizens: Trail Maintenance Acct	\$78,984.92

Kozlowski will be moving \$100,000 from savings to Michigan Class

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik supported by Parker to approve the treasurers report as presented

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. EGLE- Property at corner of Crump/Mullett Burt Rd
 - Melissa Kendzierski from EGLE presented – handout provided to all attendees
 - Plume is approximately 1,000 feet long, heading northwest

- 65 Monitoring wells placed currently – sampled twice a year, 97% reduction from source area to the furthest downgraded well
- Determination is that the ground water contamination will never reach Burt Lake. Question is whether it will reach the Bear Saw Creek – they say no as it is diving down under the wetlands and the creek
- EGLE will be sampling ground water at the Bear Saw Creek this summer
- Surrounding drinking wells are sampled twice per year
- Going forward
 - Fall 2024 - Demolishing home
 - 2025 – 38-foot excavation and shoring of the site, may need close Crump or re-route and Mullet Burt may be taken down to a one lane road. EGLE will work with the Road Commission
 - Restore the property – filled with sand and compaction with grass, gravel on top. Plan is to create a trail head on the property
 - EGLE will monitor the wells for the next 5 years, twice a year, with the hope of the concentration going down

2. DNR Property West Burt Lake Rd

- There will be no land swap between UofM and DNR, the DNR will be putting the lakefront lots up for public auction in the fall through KDA
- Koviak supporting

3. Status of Legal Action

- McArthur – provided copy of complaint to the Board Members, it has been handed over to be served, should be served by tomorrow, then 21 days to respond
- We should know something in the next three weeks

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve Budget for 2024/2025

MOTION: Moved by Kozlowski, supported by Parker to approve the 2024/2025 budget

Roll Call – Hodulik – Y, Parker – Y, Reimann – Y, Kozlowski – Y, Koviak – Y

2. Appointment of New Board of Review Member

- Max Boettger

MOTION: Moved by Parker, supported by Reimann to approve the appointment of Max Boettger to the Board of Review

3. Planning 2023 Year End Report

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Kozlowski to receive and file the Planning 2023 Year End Report

4. Resolution to Restore Local Choice

- State took away local control for all residents in the state of Michigan for wind and solar
- Asking that the Board approve a resolution to support the petition to restore local choice and repeal part 8 of the Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Waste Reduction Act

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Kozlowski to adopt the resolution to support the petition to restore control for wind, solar and batteries

Roll Call – Hodulik – Y, Parker – Y, Reimann – Y, Kozlowski – Y, Koviak – Y

REPORTS

Burt Lake Trail Committee – Hodulik

- Paving additional trail on the west side in 2024 – approximately \$50,000
- Trying to get cooperation with UofM to improve gorge entrance
- March 13 – call scheduled with MDOT to talk about grants to put paved shoulders on Topinabee Mail Rte

Planning Commission – Hodulik

- Master Plan in process – chapters 1-2 completed, 3-4 being worked on next week
- Changing some zoning articles to better define plans that are required and to clarify site plans and plot plans
- Per Koviak, MTA will be putting out some revisions to comply with the new law on wind and solar and will pass along for review by the board
- May 9 meeting, Tip of Mitt coming to talk about septic and the Burt Lake green belt

Zoning Board of Appeals – Koviak

- Met in February – 2 variances, one was denied

Zoning Administrator's Report – Larson

- Starting to get busy again, a lot of questions

Supervisor's Report – Koviak

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County Commissioner – Jeff Ostman

- Juvenile detention center construction has started back up
- County Planning is working on a tiny home ordinance with a planned unit development
- NLEA (Northern Lake Economics Association) – signed up for an additional year (\$53,000 annual fee)
- Tissue Plant – wasted is being taken over by the EPA and they will finish clean up
- Looking for another big-name entertainer for the fair

PUBLIC COMMENT

Next meeting April 4, 2024

MOTION: Moved by Parker, supported by Reimann to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 3:13 pm.

MOTION APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,
Christy Kozlowski, Clerk