

**BURT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MINUTES  
May 2, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order at 7:00 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, Kathy Cole (Library Board President, Indian River Area Library), Kelsey Rutkowski (Library Director, Indian River Area Library), Bobbi Balazovic, Russ Elmhirst

**AGENDA -** Koviak

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by Reimann to approve the agenda with the addition of the Indian River Library under new business

**MOTION APPROVED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –** Minutes of April 4, 2024

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Parker to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2024

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Parker to approve the bills

**TREASURERS REPORT –** As of March 2024

Certificates of Deposit	
Citizens National Bank	\$26,263.63
Citizens National Bank	\$28,337.17 (2-year bond)
PNC	<u>\$56,273.45</u>
Total CD's	\$110,874.25
Checking	\$17,501.75
Savings	\$734,117.40
Michigan Class	\$ 100,649.57
Citizens: Trail Account	\$717.91
Citizens: Trail Maintenance Acct	\$78,998.12

- Move additional \$100,000 to Michigan Class Edge Account
- Move \$10K plus additional Parks and Rec balance to trail account

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik supported by Kozlowski to approve the treasurers report as presented, moving \$100,000 to Michigan Class and approximately \$15,000 to the trail maintenance account

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. EGLE- Property at corner of Crump/Mullett Burt Rd
  - Nothing new, table for now
2. DNR Property West Burt Lake Rd
  - Nothing new, table for now
3. Status of Legal Action
  - Pre-trial set for June 10, 2024, judge will set deadlines and may set a trial date at that time

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Millage Resolutions
  - Taken care of at last meeting, MacArthur delivered them to Cheboygan County
2. Bid for Assessor
  - Bobbi Balazovic recommended/nominated, bid quote received and forwarded to Board

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Parker to approve nomination of Bobbie Balazovic for Burt Township Assessor

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

3. West Side Transfer Station
  - There are a lot of large items already at the transfer station, considering locking the gate, cameras possibly when the tower goes in - 6 mattress, lazy boy, etc.
  - Kozlowski to purchase chain and lock to lock walk in gate
  - There have been a couple issues with people being belligerent to Jim Michaud
4. Indian River Library
  - Kelsey Rutkowski spoke on behalf of the library regarding concern of some services not being offered to Burt Township residents
    - Service contracts for 50% penal fines received from Burt, Ellis and Kohler Townships, and 100% penal fines received from Walker Township - penal fines equate to approximately \$29,499.08 (\$2,321.18 from Burt Township)
    - The library gets a majority of its funds from taxpayers (annual millage) – \$185,764 received in March
    - Hoopla is the only service not offered - Hoopla (e-resource) charges library on a pay per use which is why the library only offers this to its residents but they have decided to offer access to non-residents for an additional \$20/year “Enhanced non-resident card”
  - Rutkowski presented a 3-year service contract renewal

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Parker to renew the Indian River Area Library Contract for 3 additional years

## REPORTS

### **Burt Lake Trail Committee** – Hodulik

- Not a lot of cooperation from the Cheboygan Road Commission
- Paving ½ mile of phase I on West side
- Working to set up a meeting with Spierling and Slavik regarding paved entrance to gorge
- Power sweeping between now and May 10
- Grant applications in process for paved shoulders on Topinabee Mail Rt

### **Planning Commission** – Hodulik

- Reviewing chapters 5 and 6 of Master Plan
- Public hearing in May, changing the definitions of site plan and plot plan to avoid confusion as well as camping grounds
- Next planning meeting – Anna McGlashen from Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, will be discussing septic systems and water testing results along Burt Lake
- Construction on the tower may start in July

### **Zoning Board of Appeals** – Koviak

- April meeting was canceled due to issue with the notices not being sent and will meet this month – 2 variance requests

### **Zoning Administrator's Report** – Larson

- Very busy but has slowed down recently

### **Supervisor's Report** – Koviak

- Going to Washington DC for meeting with the National Association of Townships
- Presentation of awards to Fred Lindroth for his 22 years of service to Burt Township

### **County Commissioner** – Jeff Ostman

- Not present

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Next meeting June 6, 2024 @ 7pm

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by Reimann to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

## MOTION APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,  
Christy Kozlowski, Clerk