

Grant Township Board

Regular Board Meeting Agenda

May 14, 2024, 6:00pm

Grant Township Community Center
220 Gratiot Street, Copper Harbor, MI 49918

Phone: (906) 289-4292

Pledge of Allegiance

Call To Order and Roll Call

Agenda & Minutes Approvals

- 1. Approval of May 14, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Agenda
- 2. Approval of April 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Supervisor Hours ~ Saturdays 2-4 at the Grant Township Hall through June 8. ~ Wednesdays 2-4 thereafter and by appointment

Supervisor's Remarks

The Copper Harbor Lighthouse Fresnel Lens Replica has been moved to the lighthouse tower. The lamp is being designed and installation is expected no later than National Lighthouse Day. It will be lit on such occasions deemed appropriate by the Fort Wilkins Supervisor.

The Hunter's Point Marina Access Trail was temporarily closed due to a faulty boardwalk section. Thank you to our Maintenance Team, Truman Jones and Dan Wiersgalla, and Copper Harbor Trails Club Vice-President Casey Krueger for taking necessary actions that minimized closure time. The trail is a bit soggy in areas, so please use the main trailhead off of Harbor Coast Shores Road until we can plan a proper trail per recommendation from the Recreation Plan Committee.

The Supervisor's office is in the process of reviewing and updating all existing advisory committees. Specifically, identifying founding resolutions, motions made in Open Board Meetings or Ordinances that delineate roles and responsibilities of each committee and membership compliance and terms limits. If you are interested in serving on any of our advisory committees, please contact the Supervisor by email.

The EGLE Site Lead will be conducting PFOS tests at our Landfill Sites this week and next. Be advised that this is part of the ongoing monitoring that needs to happen for 50 years after capping and closing those sites. We are under specific Deed Restrictions for this period of time and all potential uses of our landfills need approval

Materials Management (Recycling/Garbage) Attendant Information

- ~In Copper Harbor: Mondays and Thursdays from 2:00pm-4:00pm
- ~In Lac La Belle: First Friday Every Month from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Department Reports

- 1) Township Fund Balances Report
 - a) General fund balance is
 - b) Fire dept. fund balance is
 - i) CHVFD
 - ii) LLBVFD
 - c) Copper Harbor DDA (Downtown Development Authority) fund balance is
 - d) Water
 - e) Sewer
 - i) WWTP

2) Maintenance Department Report

- a) Interview Dates set for Seasonal Grounds Maintenance, Solid Waste, Water and Wastewater Assistant
 - i) Interview Committee established as Meg North, Truman Jones, and Kirk Filsinger
- b) Operator's Report
- 3) Public Safety Reports
 - a. Copper Harbor Fire Department
 - b. Lac La Belle Fire Department
- 4) Cemetary Report

Board/Committee Reports

- 1) Copper Harbor Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
 - a) Next monthly DDA meeting to be held on May 21, 2024, at 6 pm
 - b) First Impression Team Update
- 2) Recreation Plan Committee
 - a) Next meeting is June 11th 4:00pm in LLB before regular board meeting
- 3) Parks Committees
 - a) Lac La Belle
 - b) Copper Harbor
- 4) Pedestrian & Bicycle Access Committee

Old Business

1) Pedestrian & Bicycle Access Committee

a. Approve appointment of new committee member, Adam Yeoman

2) Copper Harbor Parks Committee

a. Approve appointment of new committee member, **Truman Jones**

3) Copper Harbor Trails Club

- a) Licensing Agreement
 - i) Currently under review with Township Attorney
- b) Letter of Support for building of the Flow Climb Trail (Floverlook Trail)
- Motion to extend the Licensing Agreement to include the maintenance of all Hunters Point Trails (Phase 1 and 2)

4) 2. Proposed Formation of a Housing Committee

- a) Motion to accept Resolution #14-2024, Creation of a Housing Committee
- b) Motions to Approve Housing Committee Members
 - i) Sam Raymond, Chairperson
 - ii) Truman Jones
 - iii) Lisa McKenzie
 - iv) Doug McKenzie
 - v) Aaron Rogers
 - vi) Don Kauppi
 - vii) Peg Kauppi
 - viii) Greg Mielcarz
 - ix) Kaelyn Wright

5) Copper Harbor Wellhead Protection Plan Committee

- a) Appointments for the WH Protection Committee
 - i) Meg North, Grant Township Supervisor
 - ii) Richard Probst, Eagle Harbor Township Supervisor
 - iii) Kirk Filsinger, Resident User, Copper Harbor Maintenance Team
 - iv) Dan Wiersgalla, Copper Harbor Maintenance Team
 - v) Clyde Wescoat, Resident User, Copper Harbor Maintenance Team
 - vi) Jeff Coltas, Resident User and former WH Protection Committee Member
 - vii) Jon Schubbe, Resident, Ecologist
- b) Additional Participants to attend meetings as needed

- i) Scott Ochodnicky
 - (1) Provide aid and recommendations for cyber security
- ii) Susan Hockings
 - (1) Provide guidance as Eagle Harbor Zoning Administrator
- c) Set monthly meetings to occur on the Thursday following Each Regular Board Meeting at the Grant Township Hall
 - i) First Meeting on June13

6) Keweenaw Point Trail – Phase 3 – Section 2

- a) Project update
- b) Bulletin No. 1
 - i) Approval of Payment Request to Rock Solid Trail Contracting, LLC to be disbursed from the MNRTF Grant fund

7) Audit Update

- a) 2022 Audit Status Report
- b) 2023 F65 Status Report

New Business

1) Motion to recommend a Materials Management Committee

- a) Explore options for identifying and funding waste management needs
 - Solid waste, recycled waste, compostable waste, metals and yard waste
- b) Looking for representation from both shores, year-round and seasonal business, full-time and seasonal residents
- c) Sunset date of three-four months
- d) Please submit letters of interest to supervisor@granttownshipmi.org

2) Ballot Proposals

- a) Resolution Submitting Operating and Fire Protection Millage Proposals
- Resolution Submitting Board of Education 4th Class District 2 (Grant Township School District 2) Millage Proposal

3) Harbor Huts

a) Motion to refund the difference between the rate established by the Seller's Agreement referred to as the "Sewer Connection Fee" (\$4,500) and the 2022 Sewer Expansion Fee (\$10,750) for two lots owned by Harbor Coast Huts, LLC, Lots 37 and 39, totaling \$12,500 to be paid out of the WWTP Sewer Fund less the attorney fee of \$250.00, which will be paid back to the General Fund.

Agenda Request (Guests) Section

Public Comment Period

- Policy/Rules for Public Comment
 - ➤ Any Resident/taxpayer wishing to address the Board, must be first recognized by the Chair, then identify themselves by name
 - > Each speaker will be given three (3) minutes to comment.
 - > Comments are to be directed solely to the board, not to audience
 - ➤ No official Board action will take place on items presented in the public comment period. The Board will respond during a future public meeting as an agenda item
 - Grant Township Board contact info: https://granttownshipmi.org/contact.php