



**Grant Township Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2022, 6:00 pm**
Grant Township Community Center
220 Gratiot Street Copper Harbor, MI 49918
Phone: (906) 289-4292

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present - Art Davis, Scott Ochodnicky, Scott Wendt, Misty Filsinger, Ned Huwatschek,
all are present

Absent - None

Zoom - None

Agenda/Minutes Additions and Approvals

Agenda Additions: Misty adds Keweenaw Random Acts of Kindness Resolution

Motion to Approve the April 12th, 2022, Agenda – put forward by Ned H, seconded by
Art, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0

Motion to Approve the March 8th, 2022, Meeting Minutes – put forward by Ned H,
seconded by Art, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0

Supervisors' Remarks and Correspondence

Scott W discusses upcoming Hazardous Household Waste Survey and correspondence
Kirk Filsinger

Supervisor's Open Office Hours (always 2 and 3rd Sat)

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| CH | April 9 th | 10am-12 |
| LLB | April 16 th | 10am-12 |

Brief Public Comment

None

Department Reports

1. Financial
 - a. Treasurer Report
 - i. General fund balance is \$620,403.91
 - ii. Fire dept. fund balance is \$454,232.52
 - iii. Copper Harbor DDA fund balance is \$166,269.81
 - b. Clerk Report - None
2. Utility Board
 - a. Chairman Bob P announces that Jeff Coltas resigns, the Utility Board recommends Gregory Paul Lis, and that there are open positions available, and that the purchase of new furnaces has been approved
 - b. **Motion to approve Utility Board Member nomination Gregory Paul Lis** put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0
3. Public Safety
 - a. Copper Harbor Fire Department – Fire Chief Tom Boost provides brief update
 - b. Lac La Belle Fire Department – No report
 - c. Keweenaw Sheriff – No report
 - d. First Responders – No report

Standing Committee Reports

1. Downtown Development Authority – Chairman Scott Ochodnicki provides brief update
2. Board of Review – No report
 - a. Organizational Meeting March 8th
 - b. Appeals March 14th & 16th Review
 - c. Follow up Meeting/Paperwork completed
 - d. Total 13 petitions reviewed. Alternate board member needed.
3. South Shore Association - No Report
4. Parks Committees
 - a. Lac La Belle - No Report
 - b. Copper Harbor – Chairman Bob Pokorski provides brief update
5. Copper Harbor Improvement Association - No Report
6. Pedestrian/Streetscape Committee - No Report

Brief public comment period and open discussion regarding land acquisition updates

Unfinished Business

1. Updates on Clerk, Supervisor and any other positions
 - Brief public comment period and open discussion regarding open positions within the Township
 - Public notice of positions available including 2 mid-term election seats (Supervisor and Clerk) to be posted sometime in May 2022 for the November 2022 election.
 - Any questions regarding the November 2022 election ballot access for Supervisor or Clerk can be directed to Grant Township Deputy Clerk Amanda Wais at Amanda.Wais@granttownshipmi.org
2. **Board Wages Resolution #15-2022**
 - Clerk Scott Ochodnický reads Board Wages Resolution to increase the salaries of Board Members
 - Brief public comment period and open discussion regarding recently updated increase in pay rates
 - **Motion to Approve Resolution for Board Member Pay Increases as Amended – Roll Call vote** – put forward by Ned H, seconded by Scott W, Ned H Aye, Art D aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0
3. Board Meeting 2022-2023 Schedule
 - Brief public comment period and open discussion regarding more Board meetings in Lac La Belle
 - **Motion to Approve 2022-2023 Board Meeting Schedule** put forward by Ned H, seconded by Art D, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0
 - 4 meetings to be held in Lac La Belle – June, July, September and October – Public notice to follow
4. Conference Room Equipment – No report
5. ARPA Funds – Scott W provides brief update
 - 2 Quotes ADA Accessibility Additional Restroom Capacity
 - Prepare for Public Comment
6. Recreational License Agreements – Scott W provides brief update
 - Raymond Landsberg (by Zoom) briefly updates the Board - Hunter's Point Kayak Launch

- **Motion to Approve Kayak Launch License Agreement** put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0
- CHTC - Hunter's Point II Trail Agreement brief update

New Business

1. Michigan Township Participating Plan for a Risk Reduction Grant Resolution #16-2022

- Security Cameras for Solid Waste Refuse - Northern Security Quote
- **Motion to Approve Resolution for 'Par Plan' Grant - Roll Call vote** – put forward by Art D, seconded by Misty, Ned H aye, Art D aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Motion carries 5-0-0

2. Office Furniture Request

- **Motion to Approve up to \$700 for office furniture - Roll Call vote** – put forward by Art D, seconded by Misty, Ned H aye, Art D aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Motion carries 5-0-0

3. Nathan Miller (CHTC) Agenda Request – already covered in earlier discussion

4. Keweenaw Random Acts of Kindness Inc Resolution #17-2022

- **Motion to Approve Resolution for 'KRACK' - Roll Call vote** – put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty, Ned H aye, Art D aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Motion carries 5-0-0

Public Comment Period

None

❖ Policy/Rules for Public Comment

- The public comment portion of the public meeting shall last approximately 20 minutes.
- Any Resident/taxpayer wishing to address the Board, must be first recognized by the Chair, then identify themselves by name, address of residence.
- Each speaker will be given three (3) minutes to comment.
- Each speaker will be given six (6) minutes total for public comment over the course of the meeting.

- Comments are to be directed solely to the board not to audience members..
- No official Board action will take place on items presented in the public comment period. Matters addressed publicly will be taken under advisement, with the Board responding directly to the person at a later date or the Board will respond during a future public meeting as an agenda item

Financial Wrap UP

The Clerk's Office reports this month's bills to be approved:

Sewer: \$15,268.52

Fire: \$15,490.35

General: \$43,356.90

Water: \$4,894.35

Total: \$79,010.12

Motion to approve this month's expenditures - Roll Call Vote - put forward by Scott O, seconded by Scott W, Ned H aye, Art D aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Motion carries 5-0-0

Motion to adjourn – put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, Motion carries 5-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm

*Vote tallies recorded in Meeting Minutes as Aye/Yes - Nah/No - Abstain
(Absent excluded from tally)*