



**Grant Township Board**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**May 10, 2022, 6:00 pm**  
Grant Township Community Center  
220 Gratiot Street Copper Harbor, MI 49918  
Phone: (906) 289-4292

**Meeting called to order at 6:04pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call**

**Present** - Art Davis, Scott Ochodnicky, Scott Wendt, Misty Filsinger

**Absent** - Ned Huwatschek

**Zoom** - None

**Agenda/Minutes Additions and Approvals**

**Motion to Approve the May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Agenda** – put forward by Scott W, seconded by Art D, all in favor, Motion carries 4-0-0

**Motion to Approve the April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Minutes** – put forward by Scott W, seconded by Art D, all in favor, Motion carries 4-0-0

**Supervisors' Remarks and Correspondence**

Supervisor's Open Office Hours (different schedule for month)

CH May 28<sup>th</sup> 10am-12

LLB May 21<sup>st</sup> 10am-12

**Brief Public Comment**

Questions about the status of Keweenaw Heartlands Park project in which there's been no recent activity on; Grant Township continues to hope to have a role in any land acquisition discussions.

## Department Reports

1. Financial
  - a. Treasurer Report
    - i. General fund balance is \$592,471.57
    - ii. Fire dept. fund balance is \$459,637.83
    - iii. Copper Harbor DDA fund balance is \$180,435.12
  - b. Clerk Report - None
2. Utility Board
  - a. **Motion to Approve Purchase of Furnaces from Byron \$14,920 max – Roll Call vote** - put forward by Art D, seconded by Misty F, Art D Aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Ned H absent, Motion carries 4-0-0
  - b. Chairman Bob Pokorski provides brief update
  - c. Open position available: Nominations appreciated
3. Public Safety
  - a. Copper Harbor Fire Department - Fire Chief Tom Boost provides brief update – **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Spaghetti Dinner is Friday June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 5pm-8pm at Mariner North**
  - a. Lac La Belle Fire Department - None
  - b. Keweenaw Sheriff - None
  - c. First Responders - None

## Standing Committee Reports

1. Downtown Development Authority (DDA) - Chairman Scott Ochodnicky provides brief update
  - a. 2 new Members, Staci Gibson and Sam Raymond, sworn in during April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting for a total of 12 Board Members
  - b. DDA becomes a member of Michigan Downtown Association (MDA)
2. Board of Review
  - a. Alternate board member needed – please contact Supervisor Scott Wendt if interested [Scott.Wendt@granttownshipmi.org](mailto:Scott.Wendt@granttownshipmi.org)
3. South Shore Association - Jim Valsa provides brief update via Zoom
  - a. First meeting June 15<sup>th</sup>, bonfire is June 21<sup>st</sup>, roadside trash pickup to be announced
  - b. Lac La Belle Dumpster Days 2022 is Saturday/Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>
4. Parks Committees
  - a. Lac La Belle – Jim Valsa provides brief update via Zoom
  - b. Copper Harbor
    - Memorial Recognition Proposal – **Motion to Approve the Memorial Recognition Proposal as submitted** – put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, Motion carries 4-0-0
5. Copper Harbor Improvement Association - No Report

6. Pedestrian/Streetscape Committee - Member Scott Ochodnicki provides brief update, final designs from OHM Advisors scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup>, getting closer to public presentation of streetscape concepts

## Unfinished Business

Recreational License Agreements – Copper Harbor Trails Club (CHTC) - Hunter's Point II Trail Agreement - **Motion to Approve the CHTC Hunter's Point II Trail Agreement** – put forward by Art D, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, Motion carries 4-0-0

## New Business

1. Truck Repair Quote Approval
  - **Motion to Accept the Purchase of Truck Repair from Martin Collision \$2843.15 – Roll Call vote** - put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty F, Art D Aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Ned H absent, Motion carries 4-0-0
2. Accessible Keweenaw Initiative - WUPPDR
  - a. Letter of Support – Supervisor Scott W reads letter of support
  - b. **Motion to Approve the Letter of Support, all Board Members to sign it** – put forward by Scott W, seconded by Misty F, all in favor, Motion carries 4-0-0
3. NAS Data Storage Appliance - **Motion to Approve the Purchase of a NAS up to \$1600 – Roll Call vote** - put forward by Art D, seconded by Scott O, Art D Aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Ned H absent, Motion carries 4-0-0
4. A-1 Toilets for summer
  - a. Brief discussion regarding toilets for summer
  - b. **Motion to Approve the purchase of toilets** – put forward by Scott W, Art D Nah, Misty F Nah, Scott O Nah, Ned H absent, Motion fails 1-3-0

## Public Comment Period

Kirk F discusses signage ideas from Parks Committee, Jim P asks about side street repairs, Mark asks about LLB meetings schedule and recycling hours for both CH and LLB, Sam R also asks about LLB meetings schedule.

- ❖ 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

**Motion to Approve Payment of CHIA Invoice for \$10,000 – Roll Call vote** - put forward by Art D, seconded by Misty F, Art D Aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Ned H absent, Motion carries 4-0-0

**Motion to Approve Payment of Research Group Invoice for \$2500 – Roll Call vote** - put forward by Art D, seconded by Misty F, Art D Aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Ned H absent, Motion carries 4-0-0

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

**Total: \$42,431.45**

**Motion to approve this month's expenditures - Roll Call Vote** - put forward by Scott O, seconded by Misty F, Art D aye, Scott W aye, Misty F aye, Scott O aye, Ned H absent, Motion carries 4-0-0

**Motion to adjourn** – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Art D, all in favor, Motion carries 4-0-0

**Meeting adjourned at 7:21pm**

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