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Osceola Township Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2024, 6:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Mark Halkola on April 10, 2024, at 6:46 PM at the Osceola Township Board Room. Board members present were Mark Halkola, Christina Gardner, Don Wareham, and Aaron Janke. Absent was Christa Gardner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke, to approve the agenda as presented. AVIF

The minutes were unavailable and will be presented at the next Board Meeting. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Christina Gardner to accept the financial reports for the General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC utility, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke for payment of the bills: General, Road, Mason Wastewater, TC utility, and OT utility funds. AVIF

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 6:53 PM. Marian Peltier inquired about other possible recycling options. Wondered if Waste Management could send a truck for a monthly fee. Dan Holombo is looking for clarification on admin fee calculations. He had previously mentioned it, just bringing it up again. Public Comment closed at 6:59 PM.

Reports:

- a. Assessor: Written report submitted.
- b. Maintenance: Written report submitted. Waiting for the paperwork on location and time for water operator test.
- c. OT Utility Board Action items: No action items.
- d. DBVFD: No report submitted.
- e. First Responders: Written report submitted.
- f. TCVFD: Written report submitted.
- g. TC Utility Board: Written report submitted.
- h. TLASA: Written report submitted.
- i. NHCWSA: January and March minutes were submitted.
- j. Community Compost Site: Written report submitted.
- i. Supervisor report: Discussion took place with John Cima about the possibility of Elm Avenue in Dollar Bay being resurfaced this year, chances are low. We can be placed to the top of the list for 2025. Has a meeting scheduled with the township attorney to discuss multiple items, including private cell phone usage, FOIA, Franklin Township generator agreement, and ARPA plans. The BOR took place in March, minutes are included. The dredge meeting took place, people are interested in continuing to meet. Ordinances are currently under review; Scott is assisting with the blight and dangerous building issues around the township. Houghton County MTA chapter is starting up again, meeting upcoming. 3 contractors are interested in gooseneck replacement. The group for bench donation understood the board's conditions and will move forward. Leon Sutherland from LL-H baseball has games lined up on our baseball field. Fencing around the dredge entrance to deter people going out on the structure.

Unfinished Business:

- a. Water Project Plan –update: Discussed at the utility meeting.

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- b. Dollar General Project – On hold until summer. The recorded resolution was forwarded by the township attorney to the DG attorney.
- c. Truck/Plow bids – Discussed at utility meeting.
- d. UPPCO – streetlights – Work is underway to identify poles, additional discussions will take place.

Tabled Business:

- a. Town Hall Meetings – leave on table.

New Business:

- a. Financial Work Session - meeting date – A meeting will be held Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the township office.

Public Comment: Public comment opened at 7:22 PM. Steve Klein asked about a snowplow problem on Maple. He also mentioned a missing stop sign on 3rd and M-26 in Tamarack City. Marian Peltier mentioned the large number of holes on Dogwood Avenue in Dollar Bay, stating that when two cars are present, one has to drive directly in the holes. Dan Holombo inquired about the service line grant, and if it can only be used to locate them. Public comment closed at 7:28 PM.

Adjourn: Motion by Wareham, supported by Janke to adjourn at 7:29 PM. AVIF

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Osceola Township Board Room.