

MACKINAW TOWNSHIP
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The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Supervisor Falor at 6:00. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Present: Welch-Williams, Brew, Ostwald, Keck, Falor

Also present: Clayton McGovern, Joe Lavender, Mike Roper, Michael Williams, Jeff Curth
Attorney Tim MacArthur

Agenda approved as presented. Motion by Brew, second by Ostwald to approve November minutes as presented. All aye, minutes accepted.

Guest Speaker was introduced by Keck. Mike Roper is manager of the Cheboygan County Road Commission. Mr. Roper briefly reviewed his background. He also reported there are several employees of the Road Commission retiring shortly and he is busy interviewing replacements. Not all positions will be filled. Some discussion on a turnaround on Edgewater Beach as well as work which could be done to improve Wallick Road.

Attorney MacArthur reviewed current status of tax appeal covering the Crossings. MacArthur reviewed for the Board the activities thus far and reported the case is now scheduled in Lansing for the first week in March. This may be tentative as there are three cases scheduled for that day. He will continue to monitor this case and report to the Board. McGovern will review the latest file and report back to the Board in February.

Keck reported the new phone system is now in place and seems to be functioning well. The discussion turned to the issue of a new copy machine which was approved in November. It was agreed that this should be addressed at a future meeting. Motion by Keck, second by Williams to purchase a router so the building could be equipped for Wireless. Brew will purchase the router. All aye.

Arnold Line non payment of personal property was next item brought before the members. Welch-Williams reviewed activities thus far including a meeting with Jeff Curth that Keck and Welch-Williams attended. It has been determined that Jack Jones of the Arnold Line is the person to be contacted. The Treasurer will go to Petoskey on Wednesday to see Mr. Jones and attempt to work out a settlement.

Attorney MacArthur reviewed the process by which the Township may have to address if these funds are not received in the near future. Welch-Williams will contact the attorney after her visit to Mr. Jones office. Motion by Brew, second by Ostwald to proceed with filing based on Welch-Williams report on her visit to Jack Jones. Roll Call: Ayes: Falor, Keck, Welch-Williams, Brew, Ostwald

Addition to the building was reviewed and it was agreed to table this item until further notice.

Falor reported that Lou Vassilakos, Gene Cooley, and Darby Darrow have agreed to serve on the Board of Review. An alternate will be chosen tomorrow. Keck will make reservations for five people to attend BOR training in St. Ignace.

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Keck and Falor informed the Board Members they need to get any requests in before the February Board Meeting for inclusion in next year's budget. The Budget should be prepared for approval in February.

Current status of assessor next item. McGovern reviewed his employment contact and informed the Board he would be resigning as of June 1, 2013. Joe Lavender was recommended as the next assessor. After discussion, Lavender agreed to prepare a proposal to present at the February Board Meeting which will include cost of equipment and programs needed and salary plus charge for reassessing. Motion by Brew, second by Keck to extend a tentative agreement to Lavender contingent on his February proposal All aye.

Request to change date of March meeting from the 17th to the 12th. Motion by Ostwald, second by Falor to approve change. All aye

Welch-Williams requested permission for her deputy and herself to attend a one day workshop in Bath, Michigan concerning BSA Delinquent Property Tax software. This would include one night lodging, mileage and meals. Motion by Brew, support by Keck to approve this request. All aye.

Keck requested permission to contact Cheboygan County Road Commission concerning improvements on Wallick Road. Motion by Keck, second by Brew – All aye, motion approved.

Treasurer's Report presented to the Board

Warrant List for December approved on motion by Keck, second by Brew. All aye.

Warrant List for January approved on motion by Keck, second by Brew, with the exception of expense bill for Deputy Treasurer which will be revised. All aye.

Financial Reports distributed with the understanding they only cover expenditures thru January, but not revenue.

Treasurer requested permission to consult CPA concerning financial records. Motion by Keck, second by Brew to approve consultation with Rick Mahlmeister . All Aye.

Brew reviewed workshop he attended conducted by MTA for new Board Members.

Meeting adjourned to the call of the chair at 8:02 P.M.