Inverness Township Board of Trustees Minutes of Regular Meeting Held at the Inverness Hall November 5, 2019

Meeting opened at 7:00 pm. with pledge to the flag.

- **Present:** Ron Neuman; Lisa Porter; Johanna Pluszczynski; Rod LaHaie; Greg Elliott
- Absent: None.

Minutes: *Move to approve October 1, Regular & October 10, special meeting minutes as presented* by Elliott, second by LaHaie. Ayes 5 Nays 0. *Motion carried.*

General Bills: *Move to approve General Bills in the amount of \$13,949.83* by LaHaie, second by Porter. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. *Motion carried.*

Sewer Bills: *Move to approve Sewer Bills in the amount of \$2,972.50* by Pluszczynski, second by LaHaie. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. *Motion carried.*

Bills Due: Move to approve Township Lawyer fees dated February 2018 – March 31 2019 in the amount of \$20,220.59 by Elliott second by, Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. Motion carried.

Move to approve to reimburse Clerk for travel expenses to attend election training in the amount of \$241.16 by Elliott second by Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. *Motion carried*.

Correspondence: Hill Road concern was handled by Supervisor Neuman by making a phone call to Cheboygan County Road Commission.

Clerk received notice that a copy of the Marijuana Ordinance for Inverness Twp. needed to be sent to the State of MI for it to be valid by Nov, 1 2019. Clerk sent it PDF format on October 17, 2019 via email. State of MI acknowledged receipt.

Old Business: Marketing for Straits Hwy DDA/ Sewer district was discussed to try to build up that area to attract more businesses. Township welcomes any ideas to help promote growth. BS&A software discussed including the cost of server that is necessary to get the full benefit of the program. *Move to approve BS&A invoice for the first of 3 installment payments due in the amount of \$10,815.00* by Elliott second by Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. *Motion carried*.

Sewer update & discussion. Board is working diligently to resolve all the issues needing to be addressed.

New Business: Township received 2 sealed bids form Todd Baldwin & Knaffle Enterprise Inc for Snow plowing contract for the Hall and Transfer Station. Board discussed that a contract needs to be drawn up. We will need a certificate of Workman's Comp from the Contractor or a signed Waver of Responsibility to the Township on file to satisfy our insurance company. *Move to approve to give a one*

year contract to Todd Baldwin for Snow Plowing & shoveling & salting walkways at the Hall at the rate of \$35 per plow and the Transfer Station at the rate of \$30 per plow contingent on receiving a certificate of Workman's Compensation or a signed Waver of Responsibility to the Township to satisfy Township's Insurance Company by LaHaie second by Elliott. Ayes 5 Nays 0. Motion carried. Cheboygan County Clerk contacted all Twp Clerk's by email recommending the purchase of a new

EPB computer for Elections. *Move to approve the recommended purchase of a new Electronic Poll Book computer for elections in the amount of \$375.00 plus shipping* by Pluszczynski second by Porter. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. *Motion carried.*

Board addressed the Special Assessment for Mullett Lake and Dave's Place for 2020. Board is leaving it at the present rate for this coming year.

Poverty Exemption & Asset Level Resolution. *Move to approve to adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines & Asset test for 2020 at \$30,000.00* by Elliott second by LaHaie. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. *Motion carried*.

Move to approve the Policy and Procedures for Principle Residence Denials by Pluszczynski second by Elliott. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. *Motion carried*.

Resolution waving penalty interest and fees for failure to timely file a property transfer affidavit. *Move to approve waving penalty & interest fees for failing to timely file a property transfer affidavit* by LaHaie second by Porter. Roll call vote. Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; Elliott, no; LaHaie, yes. *Motion carried*.

Resolution allowing Board of Review to change meeting dates July & December. *Move to approve Resolution to allow BOR to change meeting dates in July & December* by Pluszczynski second by Elliott. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. *Motion Carried*.

Resolution to allow Inverness Township residents to protest in writing to the Inverness Township Board of Review. *Move to approve Resolution allowing Inverness Township Residents to protest in writing to the Inverness Township Board of Review* by Pluszczynski second by LaHaie. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. *Motion carried*.

Resolution for Charitable Gaming License from Cheboygan Veterans Memorial Park. *Move to approve resolution for Charitable Gaming License from Cheboygan Veterans Memorial Park Committee* by LaHaie second by Elliott. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. *Motion carried*.

Deputy Clerk - Clerk is requesting from board members to consider Per-Diem or hourly pay for deputy clerk training and covering cost for mileage and lodging. Deputy is heading for Election training Novmber 18 & 19. Clerk also requested the board to increase hours for deputy Clerk to 10 per week to assist Clerk in getting the voter registration into compliance due to being unattended for a full year and to help with the election coming up in March. Clerk also requested an amendment to the budget for Deputy Clerk. Board stated they would compensate the deputy for the election training *Move to table the matter of the deputy clerk* by LaHaie second by Elliott. Ayes 4 Nays 1. *Motion carried*.

Fire Board Report: Given

Treasurer Report: Given

Update on hall chairs and sound system

Public Comments: None

Supervisor Ron Neuman - Resignation in writing effective December 15. *Move to accept Mr Neuman's resignation effective at midnight on December 15, 2019* by Elliott second by Pluszczynski. Ayes 5 Nays O *Motion carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Respectfully Submitted By;

Lisa A. Porter Clerk