

Inverness Township
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
April 7, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm via GoToMeeting conference call

Open with the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Roger Gaynor Jr., Amy Purwin, Johanna Pluszczynski, Greg Elliott, Rod LaHaie

Absent: None

Minutes: Move to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2020 regular meeting by Elliott, second by Pluszczynski. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Move to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2020 Special Budget Workshop meeting by Purwin, second by Pluszczynski. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

Move to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2020 Budget Hearing/Special Meeting by LaHaie, second by Purwin. Ayes 5. Nays 0. Motion carried.

General Bills: Move to approve the general bills of \$26,925.75 by Pluszczynski, second by Elliott. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Purwin, yes; Gaynor, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. Motion carried.

Sewer Bills: Move to approve the sewer bill of \$2,078.77 by Pluszczynski, second by LaHaie. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Gaynor, yes; Purwin, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: The zoning variance was mentioned for Roger and Sue Neumann and will be addressed by the Cheboygan County Zoning Board. The Township received correspondence from Trudy Lofgren.

Old Business:

There was nothing to report in the sewer update.

Road update by Trustee LaHaie. The bid for repairs to the west end of Indian Trail Road came in at \$16,000 under original estimate. Road repairs may begin in May.

The resolutions to approve the Road and Fire millage were approved at the last special meeting.

New Business:

Move to approve the Inverness Fire Department budget as presented with the Township's contribution of \$85,550 by Elliott, second by Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Purwin, yes; Gaynor, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. Motion carried.

Move to approve the 2-year agreement with Terry Knaffle to maintain the grounds at the township hall, the transfer station, Polish Line beach and Foote beach for \$3,450 per year, by Purwin, second by LaHaie. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Gaynor, yes; Purwin, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. Motion carried.

Move to approve the 2-year agreement with Sexton Leo Chamberlain to maintain the Maple Grove and Riggsville Cemeteries for the amount of \$4400 per year by Elliott, second by Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Purwin, yes; Gaynor, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. Motion carried.

Move to renew the annual contract between the Township and the Cheboygan County Humane Society for animal control services for \$1,500 by Elliott, second by Purwin. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Gaynor, yes; Purwin, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. Motion carried.

Move to approve to renew the franchise agreement with Charter Communications at 0% by Purwin, second by LaHaie. The agreement was made for 0% fee to be collected by Charter from customers and no monies paid to the Township. Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Purwin, yes; Gaynor, yes; Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding selecting a company to brine the roads this year. Move to approve to have Bay Dust Control provide dust control services by LaHaie second by Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Gaynor, yes; Purwin, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. Motion carried.

There was a discussion about Spring Clean Up at the transfer station. It is decided that Spring Clean Up will be postponed until further notice as the transfer station remains temporarily closed to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Move to approve to accept the contract to the retainer of \$500 and a \$180 hourly fee for MacArthur Law Firm for the 2020-21 year by Elliott, second by Pluszczynski. Roll call vote: LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes; Gaynor, yes; Purwin, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. Motion carried.

Fire Board Report: Given
Treasurer Report: Given
Citizen Comments: Given

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 pm