

Inverness Township
Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 5, 2019

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

PRESENT: Ron Neuman; Lisa Porter; Johanna Pluszczynski; Rodney LaHaie; Greg Elliott.

ABSENT: None.

MINUTES: Minutes of January 2, 2019, Regular Meeting were presented by the Clerk. *Motion by LaHaie, second by Pluszczynski, to accept the minutes of January 2, 2019, as presented. Motion carried unamously.*

BILLS: General bills paid and due were presented in the amount of \$18,105.48. *Motion by Elliott, second by LaHaie, to approve General bills paid & due in the amount of \$18,105.48.* Roll Call Vote: Pluszczynski, Yes; Porter, Yes; Neuman, Yes; LaHaie, Yes; Elliott, Yes. *Motion carried.*

Sewer bills were presented in the amount of \$2,723.26. *Motion by Pluszczynski, second by Elliott, to approve sewer bills in the amount of \$2,723.26.* Roll Call Vote: Elliott, Yes; LaHaie, Yes; Neuman, Yes; Porter, Yes; Pluszczynski, Yes. *Motion carried.*

DDA bills were presented in the amount of \$825.73 *Motion by Elliott, second by Porter, to approve DDA bills in the amount of \$825.73.* Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, Yes; Porter, Yes; Neuman, Yes; LaHaie, Yes; Elliott, Yes. *Motion carried.*

Visitor: Larry Siddel from Local Sanitation presented board with proposal and a bid to consider for hauling refuse from Townships Transfer Station. Board thanked Mr. Siddel. Board has 2 additional proposals and bids coming in for consideration. Possible decision to be made in March.

SEWER PROJECT: 2 Monthly Flows - December – 1,129,100; Daily ave. 38,650.
January – 941,300; Daily ave. 30,377

OLD BUSINESS: Treasurer discussed CD Investment options. She is looking into meeting with area banks to get the best bang for our money and to stay in compliance with FDIC limits at each institution. Will continue to keep us updated.

A 425 Agreement update from Greg Elliott, Trustee. The Inverness Township and the City of Cheboygan, after submitting the paperwork to their lawyers who then made a few small changes, have reached a tentative 425 agreement for the Meijer development project. The paperwork has been sent to Mr. Jones of the Meijer Corporation for his review and response.

NEW BUSINESS: Poverty Exemption Annual Resolution for Board of Review. - Board set the maximum asset value that the person can own is \$30,000. This excludes home, one vehicle and homestead land up to 10 acres. ***Motion to adopt Inverness Township Resolution for Poverty Exemption income guidelines and asset test by Neuman, second by Pluszczynski.*** Roll call vote: Elliott, yes; LaHaie, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. ***Motion carried.***

Investment and Depository Policy Resolution. - A resolution to safeguard the funds of the Township that may be invested from time to time. ***Motion by Pluszczynski to adopt Investment and Depository Policy Resolution, second by LaHaie.*** Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes. ***Motion carried.***

Resolution to Amend DDA By-laws / DDA need Twp. Board Approval.
DDA appoints one of its members to serve as secretary in place of Township Clerk Porter who declined the offer. Clerk will receive DDA minute meetings from secretary to file and distribute to board members. DDA minutes will also be posted on Township Website once received from DDA secretary. ***Move to approve by resolution to allow DDA to amend their By-Laws by Pluszczynski second by Elliott*** Roll call vote: Elliott, Yes; LaHaie, yes; Neuman, yes; Porter, yes; Pluszczynski, yes. ***Motion carried.***

Resolution to Establish Per Diem and Mileage Reimbursements. This policy has been in effect for township officials for years without a resolution on file. Doing some necessary updating of paperwork. ***Move to accept the resolution for Per Diem and mileage reimbursement for trustees special meetings and out of town training / meetings of township officials by Elliott, second by Porter.*** Roll call vote: Pluszczynski, yes; Porter, yes; Neuman, yes; LaHaie, yes; Elliott, yes. ***Motion carried***

Bud and Marie Ormsbee Land Division Application. ***Move to approve Bud and Marie Ormsbee land division application contingent on Assessor approval by Neuman second by Pluszczynski.*** ***Motion carried unanimously.***

Cheb. County Road Commission Update. Rodney LaHaie will be attending the February 20, 2019 scheduled meeting for the C.C.R.C. at 10:30 am. LaHaie and Neuman will talk to Brent regarding the Taser Report and get updated on what the recommendations are, going forward for the Township.

Special Meeting called for 2019–2020 Budget Process. The Inverness Twp. Board called a special meeting scheduled for February 7, 2019 at 6pm at the Inverness Twp Hall for a Budget Workshop.

FIRE BOARD REPORT: Rod LaHaie reports it has been quiet this month. One gentleman is going through fire training and a young man is coming on board as a cadet to assist at the station with washing trucks etc. A cadet can not assist with fires or accidents.

TREASURER REPORT: Submitted by Johanna Pluszczynski and Discussed .

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Needed Clarification of the Per Diem Resolution for special meetings as to who gets paid. Looking for an update on Fireproof Room. Board invited anyone who who wanted to stay after meeting adjourned to take a look at the progress. Question raised regarding transferring paperwork to portable hard drives, flash drive or disks to store.

OTHER INFORMATION: AT&T fully approved Township to participate in First Responder Program for our telephone service covering Clerk, Treasurer and Transfer Station phones including Hall phone and E-Fax and better internet service. Cost for all bundled service will be less than \$170 per month. Per Johanna Pluszczynski.
Board thanked all the Volunteers who worked to get the Fire Proof done.

Supervisor Neuman addressed a matter regarding Rivers Ridge requesting relief on sewer bills. After a lengthy discussion including public comments and legal advice from Twp Lawyer MacArthur the Board has tabled this matter until further information can be obtained.

OTHER MATTER:

Board member Elliott suggested the board make a request to the City to bill parcels in the DDA district that are not currently getting billed. Board agrees. *Elliott Moves to allow Neuman and Elliott to make a request to the city to bill all parcels in the DDA district, the Debt Service and O&M charges, Support by LaHaie. Motion carried unanimously.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Porter Clerk