

SOO TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING

June 12, 2013

Soo Township Hall

639 3 1/2 Mile Road

The Soo Township Annual Meeting was called to order on June 12, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Larry Perron.

Board Members present:

- Larry Perron, Supervisor
- Jim Callon
- Don Kucharczyk
- Cheryl Thoresen
- Andree Watson

Audience present: Jack & Marilyn Boone, Ann Earle, Les Laitinen, and Rodney Sadler

Review of 2012/2013 fiscal year

- No monies spent on roads this fiscal year
- Soo Township developed a website
- Fire Department hosted the UP Firemen's meeting
- Land Divisions approved - 7
- Permits approved - 10
- Hall rented 33 times
- Board agreed to not raise the taxes again and to maintain the 1.6083 mills for operations
- Fire Department had an open house and barbecue
- Bill Nelson appointed to the Planning Commission
- Jeff Killips hired as custodian
- Soo Township established a Receiving Board for all elections
- Cathy Akre appointed Deputy Treasurer
- Support given to the Sault Tribe's efforts to supply city water to the Sault Tribe Housing located in Soo Township
- A Co-operative Mutual Aid Fire Control Agreement was signed with the DNR and local Fire Departments
- Four Mile Beach was designated Smoke free
- Board voted to purchase a new fire truck in FY2014
- Dump days over 4 days had 37 residents participating

Cemetery Report

- 14 burials from July 1, 2012 – June 12, 2013
- Updated Cemetery Ordinance
- 3 lots purchased
- 1776 hours paid for sexton and maintenance of the cemetery

A motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve the proposed amended budget. A Roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, and Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Motion carried.

The proposed 2013-2014 budget was presented.

There will be no payroll increases for fiscal 2014.

Marilyn Boone from Neebish Island asked the Board to consider paving certain roads on Neebish Island. Mrs. Boone said that the residents were under the impression the roads would be blacktopped following the 4-year plan to improve the roads. The Supervisor answered by saying that he was part of the negotiations with the Road Commission at the time of improvements and that at no time was there any indication the roads were to be blacktopped. The question of blacktopping roads was never asked. Their request would be given consideration and that paving roads was dependant on funds available.

There being no further questions on the 2013-2014 budget, **A Motion was made by Jim Callon and seconded by Don Kucharczyk to accept the 2013-2014 budget as presented. A Roll-call vote was taken: Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, and Larry Perron-yes. Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and seconded by Jim Callon to adjourn the annual meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Andree Watson
Clerk