

**SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**  
**Soo Township Community Center**  
**December 12, 2018**

PRESENT

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

The December Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor, Larry Perron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Killips, Chuck Palmer, Dave and Kathy Smithers' were in attendance.

Resident Dave Smithers approached the Board on the subject of Soo Township having a facebook page and encouraged the Board to look into other Townships utilizing social media. The Board will look into it.

Fire Chief, Jeff Killips gave the monthly Fire Department report. Jeff reported that the department applied for a \$1800 matching Grant from the DNR.

The following corrections were made to the November 2018 minutes: **Summer** and Winter Tax collection will begin December 4<sup>th</sup>. The last day for **Summer** and Winter tax collection will be February 28, 2019. Don Kucharczyk had an excused absence and was not in attendance. **A Motion was made by Jim Callon and Supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve the November 14<sup>th</sup> minutes as corrected. Motion carried.**

The Clerk read a letter and presented a picture from the Neebish Island Playground Committee indicating their appreciation for the Township Board's assistance in approving the Children's play structure.

The Clerk read a thank you note from Russell Tyner, Neebish Island Fire Chief, for the Township's help with the replacement of the heating system at the Fire Hall on Neebish Island.

**A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve the Ambulance Service Provider Agreement with Pickford Township from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 for an Annual cost of \$8,000. This Agreement is a \$2,000 reduction for the cost of the services from FY2017/2018. 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 Ordinance to opt-in or opt-out of the New Marihuana Law was discussed and tabled until the January meeting.

The Budget vs Actual figures for November were discussed.

Treasurer, Cheryl Thoresen reported the County issued a report of property foreclosed for non-payment of the 2015 taxes. The referenced property did not sell at either public auctions and shall be transferred to the Township unless the Township plans to object. Referenced properties are #17-012-026-005-25, 012-520-001-00, 012-520-002-00. **A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Jim Callon to have Treasurer write a letter of refusal for the three aforementioned parcels. Motion carried.**

Jim Callon reported on the Planning Commission meeting. A request has been received from Richard Mannesto for a Special Use Permit to construct storage buildings on Baker Side Road. As of the meeting, the paperwork was incomplete.

Jim Callon, Permit Administrator, issued two permits for October and three permits for November.

Attorney Chuck Palmer gave the following report:

- Soo Township vs. Jody Sandhagen hearing is scheduled for December 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Judgment against Osborn Junk Yard filed
- Suit against Eric & Lisa Moran has been filed. Hearing date to be determined.

**A Motion was made by Jim Callon and Supported by Don Kucharczyk to pay the November bills from check #9750 to check #9753, totaling \$5,296.39. To pay the December bills from check #9754 to check #9791 totaling \$25,293.50, including Electronic payment in the amount of \$2,095.16 for November payroll taxes. Motion carried.**

**A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.**

Andree Watson  
Township Clerk