

**SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**  
**Soo Township Community Center**  
**July 13, 2016**

**PRESENT**

Larry Perron, Supervisor  
Jim Callon  
Don Kucharczyk  
Cheryl Thoresen

**EXCUSED ABSENCE**

Andree Watson

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

**The minutes from the June 8, 2016 Annual Meeting for Soo Township were approved on motion by Don Kucharczyk, seconded by Jim Callon.**

**Jim Callon made a motion to approve the minutes of the Soo Township monthly Board Meeting of June 8, 2016, seconded by Don Kucharczyk.**

Jeff Killips gave the report for the Fire Department, noting the manufacturer in Saginaw, MI has started work on the newly purchased grass truck for Soo Township and the SOG (Standard Operating Guide) for fire services was reviewed and approved by Supervisor, Larry Perron.

A discussion took place about the request from President, Robert Malpass of the Neebish Island Improvement Assoc. concerning the purchase of brine for 4.25 miles of roads on the island. A decision was made by the Board to decline this request but will consider this purchase in next year's budget.

A concern from a Soo Township resident was addressed by the Board over cement pieces and glass on shore at the 4 Mile Rd Beach. Jim Callon will check the beach concerning the debris and safety issues for those using the park.

The Treasurer reported that Certificate of Deposit #6317 with Central Savings Bank has matured and recommended we reinvest these funds at a different banking institution where we can get a better rate.

**A motion was made by Jim Callon to invest in a new Certificate of Deposit with First National Bank of America in the amount of \$112,589.28 for 36 months with an interest rate of 1.60%APY. Don Kucharczyk supported the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes and Jim Callon-yes. Andree Watson-absent. Motion carried.**

Cheryl Thoresen reported on the MTA Meeting she attended in Kinross on June 16, 2016. Missy Robbins was introduced as the new OES Director, taking over for Tim McKee who retired. Missy has 27 years with the county. Don Kucharczyk is scheduled to attend the next MTA Meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Jim Callon, reporting for the Planning Commission, stated Jeff Hagen of Regional Planning, was in attendance for their July meeting.

**A motion was made by Jim Callon, supported by Don Kucharczyk, to contract with EUP Regional Planning for updating Soo Township's Master Plan which includes maps and new demographic information. The cost not to exceed \$2,800.00. A roll call vote was taken: Jim Callon-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, Larry Perron-yes and Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Andree Watson-absent. Motion carried.**

Soo Township Attorney, Chuck Palmer, reported on the following:

1. The Arbic case was dismissed
2. The King's Suit is still pending
3. Religious exemptions were given to the Amish by the Court
4. David Denn will be contacted concerning his business on M-129

5. Attorney adjourned the Hearing concerning the Grey property on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>. He recommended we dismiss the case due to property owners abiding by the request to clean up their place. **Motion made by Don Kucharczyk, seconded by Jim Callon to dismiss the Grey case. Motion carried.**

Supervisor, Larry Perron will contact EUP Engineers concerning the dismantling of the store located at 3923 S Riverside Dr. This property is now owned by Soo Township.

The culverts on West 5 Mile Rd were replaced and plans for resurfacing the road with black top should take place in August.

It was reported that Curtis Marts was in violation with the Health Department concerning his property in the Radar Subdivision. Two septic tanks were pumped until a new septic field can be installed. Also a fence was put up.

**A motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon to pay the June bills from check #8332 to check #8343 totaling \$102,404.28 and the July bills from check #8340 to check #8344 and July bills from check #8349 to check #8379 totaling \$32,869.50 including Electronic Transfer in the amount of \$3,365.34 for June payroll taxes. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Cheryl Thoresen  
Acting Clerk