

SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Soo Township Community Center
June 10, 2020

PRESENT

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

The June Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, Larry Perron, following the Pledge of Allegiance. John, Lechner, Chuck Palmer, Rob Shields, and Eric Thomas were in attendance.

Mr. John Lechner reported he received a violation notice from EGLE dated September 24, 2019 regarding the alleged disposal of regulated solid waste on property he owns. Mr. Lechner also presented a copy of his response to the allegations. Mr. Lechner was told that we would review the communications and get back to him.

A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and Supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve the May Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Motion carried.

The monthly Fire Department report was presented and placed on file.

A decision was made to open the Soo Township Park as soon as possible. However, a porta-john would not be added to the site to discourage large groups congregating at the Park. The Clerk to notify Mr. Talentino.

The Clerk reported that a bill has been received from the Chippewa County Road Commission for the remainder of the improvements to 1 mile of Nicolet Road for this fiscal year. The original contract was for \$111,877 of which \$55,938.50 had been paid in August 2019, leaving a balance of \$55,938.50 remaining. The clerk to issue a check for \$55,938.50 instead of the \$68,519.50 that was billed with an explanation and copies.

The clerk read a resignation letter from Custodian Jeff Killips, due to current work status, effective May 31, 2020.

The Assessor, Luanne Kooiman will be retiring as of August 1, 2020. Luanne has been the Soo Township Assessor for 30 years. She will be assisting in finding and training a replacement.

The Clerk read a letter from the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians declining our request for 50% of the cost of a new fire truck for Soo Township from 2% funds.

Budget vs Actual for the month of May was presented and discussed.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to transfer the following line items.

\$592	from Treasurer Data Processing	to Treasurer Office Supplies
\$120	from Elections Ed/Training	to Elections Salaries
\$20	from Deputy Clerk	to Elections Salaries
\$108	from Clerk Education/Training	to Elections Office Supplies
\$162	from Assessing/Data Processing	to Assessing Salary
\$1617	Mainland Community Center	to Township Hall/Repairs

\$6650	from Mainland Community Center	to Fire Dept. Equipt. Maint
\$2070	from Fire Dept. Operating Supplies	to Fire Dept. Equipt. Maint
\$200	from Fire Dept. Natural Gas	to Fire Dept. Equipt. Maint
\$1760	from Neebish Isl Fire Dept.	to Fire Dept. Equipt. Maint.
\$260	from Planning Commission Wages	to Permit Administrator
\$2500	from Road Maint. Supplies	to Ambulance
\$1764	from Road Construction	to Ambulance
\$5000	Insurance/Bonds	to Ambulance

A Roll-call vote was taken: Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, and Larry Perron-yes, motion carried.

Cheryl Thoresen, Treasurer, reported that summer taxes would be collected beginning Tuesday, July 7th continuing every Tuesday from 9:00-1:00 and Fridays from 1:00-5:00 until September 14th which will be from 9:00-5:00, the last day to collect taxes in person.

Due to Covid-19, the Planning Commission did not meet in May or June.

The Attorney, Chuck Palmer, reported that he is seeking Judgment against McCormick.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to pay the monthly June bills from checks #10509 to #10536 totaling \$76,483.58, including \$2075.98 Electronic Transfer for May Payroll Taxes. Motion carried.

Andree Watson
Clerk