

SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Soo Township Community Center
June 14, 2017

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 the Supervisor, Larry Perron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Micah Brindley, Chris Hank, Jeff Killips, and Chuck Palmer were in attendance.

A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon to approve the May monthly minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Jeff Killips gave the monthly Fire Department report and it was placed in file.

A Motion was made Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to accept the recommendation of the Planning Committee and grant a Special Land Use Permit to CH Marina LLC, 3205 S. Riverside Drive, for the purpose of providing heated storage for boats. This request included the application and notifications to surrounding neighbors as required. This Permit is granted with the following modifications:

Existing footprint of buildings

2-3 buildings with a 30' tall maximum

Light service & storage

Boat well, no marina or fuel

1 travel lift stored over well

Hrs. 8:00-6:00 Monday through Saturday of outside work – quiet other times

No outdoor rack storage

No more than 25 boats outside

No sales by owners or customers

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 Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to grant the request of the following three Soo Township residents to connect to Sault Ste. Marie City water and to pass a Resolution approving these connections: Dan Arbic, Darrell Baker, Sarah Sikora. 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 Clerk to draft up a form for Soo Township residents to complete when requesting the connection of City Water.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve the following line item changes to the 2016/2017 Budget:

<u>Transfer funds From</u>	<u>Transfer Funds To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
• Treasurer Ed/Trng #253-956	Treasurer Off. Sup #253-727	\$ 201.00
• Contingency #889-957	Assessing Salary #257-702	\$ 1050.00
• Hall Repairs/Main. #265-930	Rental Refunds #265-964	\$ 400.00
• FD Ed/Trng. #236-956	FD Op. Supplies #236-757	\$ 700.00
• Carry Over Amt.	Road Construction #446-969	\$11644.00
• Contingency #889-957	St Light-Mainland #448-926	\$ 115.00

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

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to reimburse Soo Township resident, Roger Parr, \$700 for the purchase of 6 cement slabs for the purpose of attempting to stop the erosion at the North End of Brander Road, Neebish Island, and allow boats to be launched at that site. Mr. Parr obtained the necessary Permits from the DEQ and Corps of Engineers and will install the cement slabs. Monies to come from the Contingency Fund. A Roll-call vote was taken: Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, and Jim Callon-yes. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to pay Dorla Parr \$225.00 to cut the grass at the Neebish Island Fire Department and Community Center for 2017. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Cheryl Thoresen and supported by Don Kucharczyk to reaffirm the adoption of the 10 Principles of Governance issued by MTA. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve the following Precinct workers for the August 8, 2017 Special Election: Rose Talentino, Chairperson, Betty Suriano, Andree Watson, and Beverly Youngs. Motion carried.

The Clerk has submitted a bill to the Intermediate School District for \$1,095.79 for expenses incurred by Soo Township for the May 2, 2017 Special Election.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to change the rate of Hall Rental from \$100.00 to \$125.00 per day with a deposit refund of \$50.00 if all rules and regulations have been followed. Hall Rental applications and key distributions will be to Soo Township residents only. If resident wishes to rent on behalf of non-residents, they may do so, but all rental responsibilities and contacts will be with the resident only. The Clerk to draw up new contract forms for Hall Rental to be effective July 1, 2017, with applications received prior to this date grandfathered. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon granting the Treasurer, Cheryl Thoresen, full approval of the Board to invest Soo Township funds on behalf of Soo Township with Edward Jones Investment. A Roll-call vote was taken: Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Larry Perron-yes, and Don Kucharczyk-yes. Motion carried.

The Treasurer reported that summer taxes will be collected beginning July 7th through September 14th on Tuesdays from 9:00-1:00 and Fridays 1:00-5:00. On September 14th, the hours will be 9:00 to 5:00. The Clerk to post summer tax collection hours on the website.

Jim Callon reported that 1 permit has been issued to date for the month of June.

The Attorney, Chuck Palmer, reported that the Township cannot donate any Township property that they no longer utilize. We must get some value, either scrap price or blue book.

The Attorney reported that letters of violation of the Nuisance Ordinance have been written to property owners on Baker Side Road and South White Road.

A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon to approve the payment of May bills from ck #8870 to ck #8873 totaling \$3,000.09 and June bills from ck #8874 to ck #8932 totaling \$330,040.84 including Electronic payment in the amount of \$2,262.48 for May payroll taxes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Andree Watson
Clerk