

SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Soo Township Community Center
October 10, 2018

PRESENT

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

The October Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor, Larry Perron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Killips, Les Laitinen, Ed Miller, Chuck Palmer, Phyllis Reed, and Bob Schallip were in attendance.

Phyllis Reed, President of the Neebish Island Improvement Association thanked the Board for their past support on the improvements needed for the Island. She reported that the Community Center is in need of work and that the roof needs to be replaced. The Association has obtained a quote for \$12,750 from Great Lakes Roofing and Insulation Systems. Ms. Reed reported on the usage of the Community Center this past year and that there are 71 full time year round residents on the Island and 130 part time residents/families.

The Supervisor thanked them for receiving a quote, but requested that they provide the Board with an overall scope on a vision for the Community Center and also what needs to be done short term on the Community Center. They agreed and will provide the information so that improvements can be considered for budget time.

Bob Schallip, Neebish Island Resident, approached the Board on the possibility of rezoning Agriculture property on the Island for the purpose of building an airstrip and hangers for small planes. Mr. Schallip presented the Board with a timeline on the airstrip for Neebish Island. The Attorney to check to see whether or not an airstrip would be allowed under present zoning.

Fire Chief Jeff Killips gave the monthly Fire Department report.

A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve the September Board Minutes. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Jim Callon to approve the following line item change for the 2018/2019 Budget:

From Contingency to Road Construction \$890.56

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

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to accept the snowplowing bid of \$65.00 for each service as submitted by Thoresen Excavating.

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

A copy of the Tax Levy Resolution from the Superior District Library was presented to the Board and placed on file.

The 2018 Tentative Millage Report from Chippewa County was presented to the Board.

The Budget vs Actual for September was presented and discussed.

The Fall clean-up days for Soo Township residents are as follows:

9:00 am – noon on Saturday, October 13th

8:00 am – 5:00 pm from Monday, October 15th through Friday, October 19th

9:00 am – noon on Saturday, October 20th

The Clerk received a written complaint against a resident on Smart Road and violation of the Nuisance Ordinance. The Attorney has written a letter.

The Treasurer, Cheryl Thoresen, reported she had received complaints from some taxpayers regarding the wording the County had place on the tax bills. Taxpayers found it confusing when the due date was stated as February 28, 2019. However, the due date without penalty is September 14, 2018.

Jim Callon presented the Planning Commission Report. There were two permits issued for September.

The Attorney reported on the following:

- A Show Cause hearing was held for Jody Sandhagen. By the end of October the tenant must be removed, a \$500 fine for contempt and garnishment of wages was ordered for Judgment, fine, and attorney fees.
- The Motion against Donald and Geraldine Osborn was heard. A \$500 fine under the Nuisance Ordinance was issued and an order to cease and desist operations.
- The Court dismissed the case without prejudice against Bert White,

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and Supported by Don Kucharczyk to pay the September bills from check #9651 to check #9658 totaling \$61,456.12 including Electronic Transfers of \$58.38 and \$127.92 October bills from check #9659 to check #9694 totaling \$21,576.56, including Electronic payment in the amount of \$2,502.92 for September payroll taxes. Motion carried.

Andree Watson
Clerk