SOO TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING June 8, 2016 Soo Township Hall 639 3 ½ Mile Road

The Soo Township Annual Meeting was called to order on June 8, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Larry Perron. Chuck Palmer was present.

Board Members present:

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Review of 2015/2016 fiscal year

- As of June 8th, no money was spent on roads this fiscal year. Proposed for approval in June 2016, \$27,598 for preparation of 5 Mile Road from Baker Side Road to Soo West, and \$70,000 prepay on \$287,394 contract to improve 5 Mile Road.
- Soo Township website was updated
- Land Divisions approved for the 2015/2016 fiscal year 4
- Permits approved by Permit Administrator for 2015/2016 31
- Soo Township Hall rented 31 times in 2015/2016
- The Board agreed to not raise residents' taxes again this year and to maintain the 1.6083 mills for operating Soo Township.
- Fire Department had an open house and barbecue in September
- Jeff Killips was appointed Fire Chief of Soo Township upon the resignation of Dan Frechette effective March 1, 2016
- Soo Township Fire Department assisted Sault Ste. Marie Fire Department with a fire on Portage Avenue.
- \$51,861.36 was spent on ambulance service for this fiscal year. \$3200 was received from the Sault Tribe for ambulance runs to Tribal Housing located in Soo Township as of May 31st.
- Soo Township Fire Department participated in Fire Prevention week by visiting with Soo Township School students.
- Effective July 1, 2016, Soo Township will change insurance carriers from Municipal Underwriters to Ken Lind Insurance Agency.

Cemetery Review for 2015/2016

- PJ Mapping Service of Horton, Michigan, was contracted to remap the cemetery and records. Job started the summer of 2015 and will be completed by the end of the summer of 2016
- 18 burials from July 1, 2015 May 31, 2016
- More tombstones were straightened and additional gravesites discovered that were hidden by trees and underbrush
- 7 lots purchased
- 2057 hours paid for sexton and maintenance of the cemetery.
- Large Bad Boy tractor purchased plus 2 Honda Trimmers and 2 Honda Lawnmowers purchased.
- Extensive clearing of brush was done on the back north side of the cemetery

The proposed 2016-2017 General Fund budget and payroll was presented and discussed.

There being no further questions or concerns, A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and seconded by Jim Callon to accept the 2016-2017 budget as presented. 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 seconded by Cheryl Thoresen to adjourn the annual meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Andree Watson Clerk