

**SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**  
**Soo Township Community Center**  
**October 9, 2019**

PRESENT

Larry Perron, Supervisor  
Jim Callon  
Cheryl Thoresen  
Andree Watson

ABSENT

Don Kucharczyk

The October Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Supervisor, Larry Perron, following the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Killips, Ken Lind, Chuck Palmer, and Kathy Smithers were in attendance.

Fire Chief Jeff Killips gave the monthly Fire Department report. Jeff also reported that the Soo Township Fire Department participated in the Soo Motors Hanging with the Heroes celebration on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

**A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve minutes of September 11, 2019. Motion carried.**

**A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen that Brad Ormsbee be removed from the Planning Commission Committee for violation of the Attendance Policy. Motion carried.**

Minutes of the Pine Grove Cemetery Board meeting of September 17<sup>th</sup> were distributed. The Supervisor noted that the Cemetery was looking very good and a thank you to our Cemetery Manager, Tom Thoresen, Sexton, Harold McKenzie, and the grass cutting crew for the condition of the cemetery.

The Clerk and Treasurer will be attending the MTA On-The-Road workshop in St. Ignace on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

The First Harbor Safety Committee meeting will be October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Les Laitinen from Neebish Island will be a Representative for Soo Township.

The Clerk reported that the new Dominion Voting Machine has been delivered and that there is a State Grant available of which Soo Township is attempting to get reimbursed for.

Budget vs Actual for the month of September was presented and discussed. **A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Andree Watson to transfer \$7500 from the Contingency line item (#899-957) to the Fire Department Equipment Maintenance line item (#236-933). A Roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Don Kucharczyk was absent. Motion carried.**

**A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Andree Watson to accept the snowplowing bid from Thoresen Excavating for \$65.00 per time for the 2019-2020 Winter season. This bid is for the Community Center and Fire Department Parking Lot. A Roll-call vote was taken: Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, and Larry Perron-yes. Cheryl Thoresen abstained. Don Kucharczyk was absent. Motion Carried.**

Treasurer, Cheryl Thoresen, reported that the tax collection hours have ended at the hall. However, Summer taxes, with a penalty, can still be sent to her through February.

The Treasurer reported that Fox Aggregates were taken to Small Claims Court and did not show-up. An extension was granted. The next step is a Debtor's Exam.

The Planning Commission report was given by Jim Callon.

The Permit Administrator, Jim Callon, reported that there were two permits signed for September.

Attorney, Chuck Palmer, gave the following report:

- Suit is pending on Rivera
- A new address has been received in the Soo Township vs McCormick case
- Rawlings Junk Yard has been contacted regarding the fence that needs to be repaired and that the fill brought in may be contaminated.

Supervisor, Larry Perron, reported that the grass has been cut by the owner of the Hungerford Property located on S. Oakwood Drive.

The Supervisor has been in contact with the Sault Tribe. Joel Schultz from the Sault Tribe reported that a light industrial building will be built on Tribal Land off S. Seymour Road.

**A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to pay the September checks from #10174 to #10184 totaling \$3,408.63 and October bills from ck #10185 to ck #10212, totaling \$16,977.87, including Electronic payment in the amount of \$2,994.80 for September payroll taxes. Motion carried.**

Andree Watson  
Township Clerk