## SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING Soo Township Community Center September 8, 2020

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

The September Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, Larry Perron, following the Pledge of Allegiance. Erik Baron, Pam Chipman, Jeff Killips, and Chuck Palmer were in attendance.

Mr. Erik Baron introduced himself as a candidate for County Commissioner, 3<sup>rd</sup> District, in the upcoming November election.

Pam Chipman, Assessor, reported that a Designated Assessor must be appointed by December 31, 2020. This Designated Assessor is appointed by the County and the Township. This position is utilized only if a Township falls behind and doesn't meet their AMAR.

The Assessor also reported that she will need a new laptop before too long. The present one is presenting problems and too much money would have to be put in an old computer. The Clerk to check on the Budget for this.

Jeff Killips presented the monthly Fire Department report.

## A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve the August 12, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The Clerk presented the following amendments to the Cemetery Ordinance as presented by the Cemetery Board:

Section 7. Markers or Memorials

Item d. All installations of markers, monuments and memorials shall be performed by licensed installers approve by the Manager.

Section 8. Interment Regulations

Item a. Each plot can have one full burial and one cremation remains (in preapproved containers) on top of full burial or two cremation remains in one plot. Cremation remains cannot be buried first, to place a full burial in the lot.

Section 9. Cremation Remains

Item a. All cremation remains must be buried in an urn or container approved by the Cemetery Manager and buried in a purchased plo or the **Columbarium** 

Item b. No cremation remains shall be scattered or disbursed within the Township Cemetery.

A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to keep the Soo Township Millage rate for Township Operations the same as previous years, 1.6083 mills, for the 2020 tax season per Resolution #2020-09. A Roll-call vote was taken: Don Kucharczyk-yes, Andree Watson,-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Larry Perron-yes, and Jim Callon-yes. Motion carried.

The Clerk stated that Soo Township Fall Cleanup Days are Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am until 5:00pm through Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am until noon.

Budge vs Actual for August was presented, discussed, and placed in file.

Treasurer, Cheryl Thoresen, reported that Cd's are coming due. She will check for the best rate at financial institutions.

Jim Callon reported that the Planning Commission has started on the Master Plan. A Survey of Township residents will be done.

There were 4 permits issued for August and 1 to date for September.

Attorney, Chuck Palmer reported that a Default Judgment has been filed against Mr. Jose Rivera.

A Suit has been filed against Mary Rawlings of City Limits Auto.

The Attorney's office continues to work on the Suit against Kevin McCormick on 6 Mile Road. A bill from Best Lawn Services for cutting the grass will be sent to the attorney.

A Motion was made by Larry Perron and supported by Don Kucharczyk to pay the Election Workers an extra \$100 for Hazard Pay for the August and November Elections due to the Pandemic and the extra precautions they are taking for the Soo Township Residents. A Roll-call vote was taken: Jim Callon-yes, Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharcyzk-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Andree Watson-abstained. Motion carried. This will cover both elections.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to pay the August bills from checks #10661 to #10671 totaling \$9,948.76, and September bills from check #10672 to #10700 totaling \$82,188.02, including \$3,907.82 Electronic Transfer for August Payroll taxes. Motion carried.

Andree Watson Clerk