

L'ANSE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES — NOVEMBER 13, 2019

- A. The Wednesday, November 13, 2019 regular monthly meeting for L'Anse Township was called to order by Supervisor Magaraggia at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall.
- B. Roll Call: Present— Supervisor, Pete Magaraggia; Treasurer, Kristine Rice; Clerk, Kristin Kahler; Trustee, Shelley Lloyd, and Trustee, Wallace Sweeney.
- C. The following visitors were present: Roy Kemppainen, Debbie Stouffer, Linda Kinnunen, Lee Gallup, Lyle Olsen, and Joe Bollech.
- D. Approval of the minutes:
Motion to approve the minutes of the October 9 regular monthly meeting made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Treasurer Rice. All in favor, motion carried.
Motion to approve the minutes of the October 24 special meeting made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Approval of agenda:
Motion to approve the meeting agenda made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. Receive Treasurer's report as submitted:
Report on actual expenditures to date compared to budget: the budget reported that budget income was under budget by \$60,912.05, and the expenditures were under budget by \$2,603.05.
Motion to accept treasurer's report as given made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
- G. Approve any budget amendments:
A motion was made to increase the capital outlay to \$30,900 to cover the price of a used fire truck for Aura was made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
- H. Motion for approval of payment of bills:
A motion to approve the payment of unpaid bills to be paid from the General Fund, Fire Fund-- \$474.69, General fund--\$14,347.65 as funds become available; and to approve the prior month's activities in the General Fund Checking Account made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
- I. Unfinished/Pending Business:
1. Aura Fire Department— Used truck purchased. Pete will and Lyle will look into sale options for the old truck.
 2. Parks and Cemeteries— The handrail at the park has been installed. The tractor has some mice damage and needs to be repaired. A motion to fix the tractor made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Zoning/Planning— A letter of recommendation from the Planning Commission for the change of the ZBA ordinance from 5 members to 3, per the public hearing regarding the change was read by Supervisor Magaraggia. There were no comments submitted regarding the change at the hearing. **Supervisor Magaraggia read a resolution to adopt the ZBA ordinance regarding the change per the recommendation of the Planning Commission. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. Ambulance Report—No meeting was held.
5. Assessor's Report— There will be a December Board of Review held Wednesday, December 11 to correct clerical errors and mutual mistakes of fact.
6. Brief public comment—Lyle Olsen asked if the old fire truck needed to be sold by bids. Supervisor Magaraggia stated that we could sell it the best way we see fit.

J. New Business:

1. Baraga County Chamber of Commerce. Debbie Stouffer provided information to the board regarding Chamber membership. She membership benefits such as workman's compensation cost reduction, newsletter, and online presence. The Chamber holds monthly workshops which benefit the community. **A motion was made to become a member (\$500 level) by Supervisor Magaraggia, Seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. There has been expressed interest among Township employees of the need for a credit card for online or long-distance purchases. The bank will supply us with debit/credit cards for these purchases. A \$1000 purchase limit was discussed. We will have a policy to review regarding card usage at the next meeting.
3. The ballot language for the March 2020 millage wording was reviewed. The language was read by Supervisor Magaraggia. **A roll call vote to accept the Ambulance millage wording was held. All in favor, motion carried. A roll call vote to accept the Fire protection millage wording was held. All in favor, motion carried.** The wording will be passed on the County Clerk by Clerk Kahler.
4. A Special meeting was held October 24 to adopt ordinance 10242019 to prohibit marijuana establishments in L'Anse Township. The ordinance was sent to the state as per state requirements.
5. A request to change zoning for Jim Selden was discussed. After further discussion, it was determined that it was not a zoning change request, but an easement issue that must be dealt with by the property owner.

6. Joan Bugni and Roy Kemppainen would like to remain on the Planning Commission. They were originally appointed to 1-year terms. Discussion was had regarding the staggering of terms. **A motion to re-appoint Joan Bugni for a 3-year term, Roy Kemppainen for a 3-year term, and as previously appointed, Mike Roberts to a 2-year term was made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. All in favor, motion carried.**
- K. Clerk's Report: The minute summary for the October 9 regular meeting was sent to the L'Anse Sentinel for publication; minutes were printed and sent by email to board members, posted on the town hall bulletin board, posted to the website, and approved September 11 minutes placed in the minute book; papers resulting from board actions were placed in the regular meeting folder for 2019 in the treasurer's office; checks were signed for payment as prepared by the treasurer for bills approved at the October 9 meeting. Special meeting notices regarding the October 24 special meeting; and the December 6 special meeting/public hearing were sent to the newspaper for publication, posted on the website, and the door. The two-day election official training in Marquette went well. The purchase of an e-poll book laptop for elections was necessary as there is now a need to have two computers in the building due to same-day registration changes. A request was made to attend a NMPSA financial statement training seminar on November 26 in Marquette. **A motion to approve the \$35 registration fee, per diem, and mileage was made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.**
A motion to accept the clerk's report as given was made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Treasurer Rice. All in favor, motion carried.
- L. Public Comments:
- M. Board Comments: A "thank you" was given to the Aura Fire Department on their continued commitment to the community and the hard work they put into budgeting and safety.
- N. Adjournment:
Supervisor Magaraggia adjourned the meeting at 4:53 pm.

Reminder: The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall. The next meeting of the BCCMTA will be held on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the L'Anse Township Hall.

Peter Magaraggia, Supervisor

Kristin Kahler, Clerk