

## L'ANSE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES— FEBRUARY 12, 2020

- A. The Wednesday, February 12, 2020 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: Fran Whitman, Catherine Andrews, Linda Zimmer, Jane Kahkonen, and Jim Fedie.
- D. Approval of the minutes:  
Motion to approve the minutes of the January regular monthly meeting made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Approval of agenda:  
Motion to approve the current meeting agenda made by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. Receive Treasurer's report as submitted:  
Report on actual expenditures to date compared to budget: income was under budget by \$27, 643.17, and the expenditures were under budget by \$30,550.92.  
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: No budget amendments.
- H. Motion for approval of payment of bills:  
Motion to approve the payment of unpaid bills to be paid from the General Fund, Fire Fund--\$871.06 General fund--\$4,362.78 as funds become available; and to approve the prior month's activities in the General Fund Checking Account made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Treasurer Rice. All in favor, motion carried.
- I. Unfinished/Pending Business:
  1. Aura Fire Department—No meeting was held in January due to lack of quorum present. They are currently working on a FEMA grant proposal.
  2. Parks and Cemeteries—The previously agreed upon amount was paid to plow the trail parking lot. Fees will be updated on the website and the sign before the beginning of the upcoming season.
  3. Zoning/Planning—No meeting was held in January due to lack of quorum present. The Master Plan is complete and available on the website. Many updates were made to the original draft following public comments. The board will look into changing the number of members from 7 to 5.
  4. Ambulance Report—Trustee Lloyd reported on the January 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. The meeting will be continued February 26<sup>th</sup> as the board works on creating committees

for each of their current needs. Needs include a new rig, cardiac monitors, various equipment, and a board member.

5. Assessor's Report— Assessor Fedie attended Board of Review training yesterday. He noted that this training will be mandated for members once every two years beginning in 2022. He noted that the change notices will be out by next Friday.
6. Public Comment—Jane Kahkonen (KBIC) gave an update on the used oil recycling dates at the transfer station. They will now be offering this service monthly. She gave the board information regarding Tribal Water Day, which will be held on March 13<sup>th</sup> at the Bingo Hall from 8:30-4:30. Catherine Andrews and Trustee Sweeney discussed the good turnout at the meeting recently held with Lyme Timber. She also discussed a presentation given to the County Board of Commissioners regarding clean needles and the high risk of drug abuse and other risky behaviors in our County.

J. New Business:

1. The Election Commission will meet at 5:00 following today's meeting.
2. The budget hearing will be held at 3:00 pm before our regular monthly March meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup>.
3. The board is continuing to review the Recreation Plan in preparation for possible projects for the upcoming fiscal year. Supervisor Magaraggia will talk to Jim Nankervis to assist in creating a blue print for the Meadowbrook property.
4. Board of Review dates are as follows: March 3 at 5:00 pm – hand roll to BOR. Monday, March 9, 3-9pm; Wednesday, March 11, 9-3pm
5. Adoption of poverty exemption for 2020. The poverty exemption guidelines were approved with the asset amount changed to \$40,000 – following the federal guidelines. A motion was made to accept the guidelines for the year by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
6. A tentative opening day for the park was set for Mother's Day weekend- May 8.
7. Pay rates of the employees and board members were discussed. Supervisor Magaraggia suggested a 3% increase and made a motion for each of the following positions: Supervisor – motion made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Treasurer Rice. All in favor, motion carried. Trustees—motion made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried. Clerk—motion made by Trustee Lloyd, Seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. All in favor, motion carried. Treasurer— motion made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried. Park employees—motion made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried. Assessor—motion made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Treasurer Rice. All in favor, motion carried.
8. Bay Ambulance contract- The ambulance contract for 2020 was read by Supervisor Magaraggia, witnessed by Treasurer Rice and signed by Clerk Kahler.

- K. Clerk's Report: The minute summary for the 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 placed in the minute book; papers resulting from board actions were placed in the regular meeting folder for 2020 in the treasurer's office; checks were signed for payment as prepared by the treasurer for bills approved at the January meeting. Kahler attended the DNR recreation grant workshop in January. She will update the park information on the website. Ran the test deck for the March 10 election with Kurt Knowles on Monday, with accurate results. The public accuracy test will be held Thursday, February 20 at 9:00 am in the Township Hall. The bulk of the AV ballots have been mailed out with the help of Deputy Clerk Mervar.
- L. Adjournment: Supervisor Magaraggia adjourned the meeting at 4:54.

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

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Peter Magaraggia, Supervisor

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Kristin Kahler, Clerk