

L'ANSE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES—OCTOBER 13, 2020

- A. The Wednesday, October 13, 2020 regular monthly meeting for L'Anse Township was called to order by Trustee Lloyd at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall.
- B. Roll Call: Present—Treasurer, Kristine Rice; Clerk, Kristin Kahler; Trustee, Shelley Lloyd, and Trustee, Wallace Sweeney.
- C. The following visitors were present: Dione Price, Jane Kahkonen, Lyle Olsen, and Linda Kinnunen.
- D. Approval of the minutes:
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting was made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Approval of agenda:
Motion to approve the October meeting agenda made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. Receive Treasurer's report as submitted:
Report on actual expenditures to date compared to budget: the report indicates that budget income was under budget by \$38,832.78, and the expenditures were under budget by \$23,420.29.
Motion to accept treasurer's report as given made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
- G. Approve any 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--\$311.37 General fund--\$12,070.65 as funds become available; and to approve the prior month's activities in the General Fund Checking Account made by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
- I. Brief Public Comments: A suggestion was made to put a porta potty at the Township ballfield next summer. There is currently no bathroom facility available on site. Treasurer Rice will look into getting another one rented next spring.
Lyle Olsen asked about putting campaign signs on Township property. The board confirmed this was not allowed.
- J. Unfinished/Pending Business:
 - 1. Aura Fire Department—Meeting held September 16- 3-4 recruits are going to training (mostly virtual). The pump test on the truck passed. One AED needs to be purchased. The department has 4, and 3 are old, and one does not work. The Ambulance recommended one that would hook up to their equipment. The expense would be \$2000. A motion to purchase a new AED was made by Treasurer Rice, seconded by Trustee Lloyd.

2. Parks and Cemeteries—Thank you to Cory Frisk and several other volunteers who helped with park clean up after the storm. Clean up is still ongoing.
3. Zoning/Planning—Meeting held September 16- Are researching wind and solar ordinances in order to update and comply with the referendum.
4. Ambulance Report—A special meeting was held October 7- It was decided that there would be no purchase of the US 41 property that was previously being considered for the purpose of a new building.
5. Assessor's Report— Assessor Fedie was not in attendance.

K. New Business:

1. Dione Price from KBIC shared information on the Solid Waste Facility and recycling programs they are currently offering to the community, including e-waste, waste oil, and tire collection. Flyers will be posted at the Hall.
2. The carpet will be cleaned by A-1 cleaning on Friday and will be ready for use for the November election.
3. The recent storm resulted in several fallen trees. The park employees began clean up past their regular scheduled closing days for the season. A motion was made to pay them time and a half for tree removal and clean up work, and to hire outside trunk removal services by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
4. The Election Commission meeting was moved up to October 13 to be in compliance with inspector appointing deadlines by the state. Supervisor Magaraggia changed the meeting date and notice was posted following open meeting's act rules.
5. We are in need of someone to do small maintenance jobs at the Hall. Names were suggested and discussed. Specifics were tabled until next month's meeting.
6. It was a great camping season at the park. We received many positive comments throughout the summer.

- L. Clerk's Report: The minute summary for the September 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 accepted minutes 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 meeting.
- Election update- We received a grant from the state to pay for 50% of the purchase price of the AVCB tabulator. We also received grant funding from "The Center for Technology and Civic Life" to use towards COVID related expenses, including the remaining cost of the AVCB tabulator. The remainder will be used as per the grant agreement on other COVID related election expenses. The public accuracy test will be held Wednesday, October 21 at 10:00 am.

M. Public Comments: Linda Kinnunen commented on the amazing outpouring of help from our community to those who had extensive storm damage.

N. Board Comments:

O. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Reminder: The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall.

Peter Magaraggia, Supervisor

Kristin Kahler, Clerk