

L'ANSE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES— FEBRUARY 8, 2023

- A. The Wednesday, February 8, 2023 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; Clerk, Kristin Kahler; Trustee, Shelley Lloyd, and Trustee, Wallace Sweeney. Absent- Treasurer, Kristine Rice.
- C. The following visitors were present: Jim Fedie, David Miller, Roberta Schultz, Bridget LaBerge, Tom Racette, Leann Davis, Cory Frisk, Kyle Bianco, Judy Bozeivich, Mike DesRochers, Wayne Abba, Diane Eshbach, Byron Sailor, Linda Zimmer, Teri Rowe.
- D. Approval of the minutes:
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Approval of agenda:
Motion to approve the meeting agenda made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. Receive Treasurer's report as submitted: None
- G. Approve any budget amendments: None
- 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--\$ General fund--\$ 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: Kyle Bianco voiced concern over the interest in the Holiday purchase of the Visitor's Center property.
- J. Unfinished/Pending Business:
 - 1. Aura Fire Department—Meeting held January 18.
 - 2. Parks and Cemeteries—Pequaming Cemetery map is now online.
 - 3. Zoning/Planning—None
 - 4. Ambulance Report—Current contract price increase to \$30.50 per citizen. Now have three new ambulances. Currently 6 students enrolled in EMT course. Still in need of employees.
 - 5. Assessor's Report—Change notices at the end of the month. BOR March 13 and 15. Senate bill for funding for Veteran's exemptions is not moving forward.
- K. New Business:
 - 1. Mike DesRochers and Wayne Abba shared information with the board on the ongoing preservation plans for the Alberta Sawmill. They shared history and their outreach, and will approach the board at a later date with concrete plans of action.

2. The Budget Hearing will take place at 3:00 pm on March 15 (prior to the regular March meeting).
 3. A motion to accept the annual Bay Ambulance service agreement was made by supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
 4. A motion to approve \$100,000 fire funds towards the purchase of a 2005 Pierce Ladder truck for the L'Anse Fire Department, was made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Trustee Sweeney. All in favor, motion carried.
 5. The Tourist Center building/property appraisal came in at \$103,000.
 6. The new State building inspector information has been added to the website, and all applications and contact will now be done through him. We will put an ad in the Sentinel to inform local builders of the change. We are still in search of a Zoning Administrator.
 7. Supervisor Magaraggia and Trustee Sweeney will be meeting with the Verizon cell tower company at the proposed location on the 15th at 9:00 am for review.
 8. George Madison shared a presentation at the Recreation Committee meeting regarding the proposed "trout trail" project. The Township would be willing to sponsor the grant or co-sponsor with the Village. George has agreed to put together a grant proposal when the plans are in place.
 9. A motion to accept the Poverty Exemption guidelines for 2023, without changes, was made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
 10. A motion was made to appoint Kim Fedie as Deputy Treasurer, and to be added to the bank account, by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. All in favor, motion carried.
- L. Clerk's Report: The minute summary for the January 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 minutes placed in the minute's book; papers resulting from board actions were placed in the regular meeting folder for 2023 in the treasurer's office; checks were signed for payment as prepared by the treasurer for bills approved at the January meeting.
-County Clerk Wendy Goodreau will be conducting the State audit for the Nov 2022 election with Clerk Kahler on February 9.
- M. Public Comments: Diane Eshbach shared concern over the process of her desired land split.
- N. Board Comments: FEMA flood plain meeting February 9 at the Village office followed by public meeting.
- O. Adjournment:
Supervisor Magaraggia adjourned the meeting at 5:12 pm.

Reminder: The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall.

Peter Magaraggia, Supervisor

Kristin Kahler, Clerk