

L'ANSE TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES—MARCH 20, 2024

- A. The Wednesday, March 20, 2024 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, Sarah Solberg; Clerk, Kristin Kahler; Trustee, Shelley Lloyd, Absent- Trustee, Wallace Sweeney.
- C. The following visitors were present: Lyle Olsen, Cory Frisk, Joe Brogan, Catherine Andrews, Brian Jentoft, Steve Foucault
- D. Approval of the minutes:
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. 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:
Tax season is complete, with delinquents being turned over to the County.
Motion to accept treasurer's report as given made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
- G. Approve any budget amendments: Motion made by Supervisor Magaraggia, seconded by Clerk Kahler to approve budget amendments as attached.
- 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--\$1,628.88 General fund--\$6,778.26 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 Solberg. All in favor, motion carried.
- I. Brief Public Comments:
- J. Communications:
- K. Unfinished/Pending Business:
 - 1. Aura Fire Department—Meeting held February 21- radios were recently installed with issues that are being addressed; \$4,000 awarded from Copper Shores for hand held radios.
 - 2. Parks and Cemeteries—Staff will be back on April 29; the park may open up a week early if favorable weather continues; the board accepted with regret the retirement of Mark Peterson; an ad will be posted to find his replacement.
 - 3. Zoning/Planning—Meeting held March 6.
 - 4. Ambulance Report—Meeting held March 6 – New garage doors.
 - 5. Assessor's Report— BOR held with 7 properties, 5 protests.

L. New Business:

1. A motion was made by Supervisor Magaraggia to accept new blight ordinance 2024-03-20, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
2. A motion was made by Trustee Lloyd to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented at the budget hearing, seconded by Supervisor Magaraggia. All in favor, motion carried.
3. A motion was made by Clerk Kahler to approve the Superior National Bank and Baraga County Federal Credit Union as depositories for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
4. A motion was made by Supervisor Magaraggia to approve a resolution setting the date, time, and place for regular monthly meetings for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
5. A motion was made by Clerk Kahler to approve a resolution levying up to one mill for Township purposes, one mill for ambulance, and one mill for fire protection, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
6. A motion was made by Supervisor Magaraggia to approve the Clerk's salary and move the office manager salary and duties to Treasurer Solberg, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
7. A discussion took place regarding the fire millage allocation, including the interest in a new contract with the Village of L'Anse. More information will be needed to move forward.
8. A discussion took place regarding the housing needs in L'Anse Township.
9. Steve Foucault discussed the park this upcoming season.

M. Clerk's Report: Elections, including early voting went well. Early voting turnout was 69 for all of the Baraga County Townships, held at the Township Hall. Overall turnout was 810. State reimbursement paperwork will be completed for the Presidential Primary, including early voting.

N. Public Comments: Jim Fedie discussed millage increases and the amount of tax dollars received by the Township. Catherine Andrews stated that petitions for Citizens for Local choice were available and needed to be submitted by May 22.

O. Board Comments:

P. Adjournment:

Supervisor Magaraggia adjourned the meeting at 5:02 pm.

Reminder: The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall.

Peter Magaraggia, Supervisor

Kristin Kahler, Clerk