

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

- A. The Wednesday, November 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; Treasurer, Sarah Solberg; Clerk, Kristin Kahler; Trustee, Shelley Lloyd; Absent—Trustee, Wallace Sweeney.
- C. The following visitors were present: Lyle Olson, Deb Kahler, Jim Fedie, Dave Miller, Roy Kemppainen.
- D. Approval of the minutes:
Motion to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting made by Clerk Kahler seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Approval of agenda:
Motion to approve the meeting agenda made by Trustee Lloyd, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. Receive Treasurer's report as submitted: Balance and profit and loss statements were provided to the board by Treasurer Solberg.
- 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--\$14,125.39 as funds become available; and to approve the prior month's activities in the General Fund Checking Account made by Trustee Lloyd seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.
- I. Brief Public Comments: None
- J. Unfinished/Pending Business:
 - 1. Aura Fire Department—No October meeting
 - 2. Parks and Cemeteries—Playground equipment area finished. Other projects will begin in the spring.
 - 3. Zoning/Planning—Public hearing for special use permit to be held during the next regular meeting on December 6 at 6pm.
 - 4. Ambulance Report—Meeting held 10/18-- financial report shared with the board; update on new building, grant funding utilized for training equipment, medics needed.
 - 5. Assessor's Report—Tax bills to go out 12/1; BOR to be held 12/12 at 5:00 pm.
- K. New Business:
 - 1. The public hearing for the Verizon tower special use permit will be held at the Planning Commission meeting on Wednesday, December 6 at 6:00 pm.
 - 2. The easement for the Knoll property as part of the new trail system has been signed and filed. The next phase will begin in the spring.

3. Pricing for rental of the use of the upstairs of the Hall was discussed. A motion was made by Supervisor Magaraggia to update the current rental policy to \$10 per hour not to exceed \$50 per day, seconded by Clerk Kahler. All in favor, motion carried.

- L. Clerk's Report: The early voting agreement and has been signed by all of the participating townships and submitted to the State through the County clerk. The new ballot box was installed on the front wall of the Hall; the State will require video monitoring which will be installed by BTC through State grant funding. Will be doing a presentation at the school in December to teach students how to register and vote.
- M. Public Comments: Roy Kemppainen shared information on the EDC services of Mary Myers who provides free local business services. A motion was made by Supervisor Magaraggia to contribute \$1000 to the EDC to provide services to local businesses, seconded by Trustee Lloyd. All in favor, motion carried.
Jim Fedie shared information with the board regarding a citizen initiative to eliminate property taxes in the State. Also discussed was the recent bill allowing for State approval of large wind and solar projects, removing local zoning on each.
- N. Board Comments:
- O. Adjournment:
Supervisor Magaraggia adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm.

Reminder: The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 4:00 pm in the conference room of the L'Anse Township Hall.

Peter Magaraggia, Supervisor

Kristin Kahler, Clerk