

MACKINAW TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
10595 WALLICK RD, MACKINAW CITY, MI
July 19, 2022

Supervisor Symdra called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Board members present: Smydra, Brew, Darrow. Absent: Falor, and Closs.

Also present: Max Boetter, Curtis Chambers, Joe Lavender, and Tom Sobeck

Agenda approved as presented.

June 21, 2022 regular board meeting minutes approved as presented.

June 21, 2022 special board meeting minutes approved as presented.

Public Comments

1. Max Boetter introduced himself to the board. He is running for Cheboygan County Commissioner District 1 and would like the opportunity to serve his community.
2. Tom Sobeck the CEO of Presque Isle Electric Company updated the board on the company. He talked in depth about their co-op business model, electric & gas rates, energy optimization, energy waste reduction, 2022 work plan, capital improvements, recent project updates such as the new PIE&G headquarters, fiber construction, reliable electric distribution in Michigan and liaison board meetings. The fiberoptic internet is estimated to reach Mackinaw Township in the summer/fall of 2023.

Reports

1. Lavender explained to the board residential real estate values are increasing significantly. His company is currently doing property inspections and doing business as usual. The next Board of Review meeting is December 13 at 7:00 PM.
2. Smydra informed the board that Hebron Township did do the brining for Mackinaw Township and it cost the township \$200. The township is now waiting for the brining bill from Hebron Township.

Smydra has made significant progress on the Edgewater Beach turnaround. The property owner has agreed to cooperate and agreed to the turnaround project. Smydra will contact Matt Hall at the Cheboygan County Road Commission as to what our next step is.

Smydra met with Ken Seelman who lives on the lakeside of US 23 HWY. Seelman kept encountering an awful smell coming from the lake. He was afraid of raw sewage possibly draining into the Great Lakes. The DNR was contacted and came right out to the property to test the water. The test results came back and it turns out the smell is caused from decaying vegetation.

Smydra and Wawatam Township Supervisor Roger Moore conducted the 2022 annual spring cleanup. It was a success with lots of participation from the community.

Treasurers Report/Bills/Financial Reports

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented via email. The Township received their final ARPA payment, bringing the total to \$24,590.76. Falor sent out 6 registered letters to businesses with delinquent personal property tax, 3 to the same person with 3 different business names. She has received notice that 2 have been picked up but have not received any payments at this time.

Tax bills went in the main on July 31, 2022, and payments are being processed.

1. Motion by Brew, supported by Smydra to pay and approve Darrow to clean the township hall windows for \$25.00 per hour. Roll call: Ayes: Brew, Smydra. Absent: Falor, Closs. Abstain: Darrow. Nays: None. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Brew, supported by Smydra to approve the Mackinaw Plant Center to perform maintenance on the flower beds at the township hall. Roll call: Ayes: Smydra, Brew. Absent: Falor, Closs. Abstain: Darrow. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Brew, supported by Smydra to approve the July expenditures.

Roll call: Ayes: Brew, Smydra. Absent: Falor, Closs. Abstain: Darrow. Nays: None. Motion carried.

4. The standard budget report was accepted as presented.

Meeting was adjourned by call of the chair at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Darrow, Clerk