

MACKINAW TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
10595 WALLICK RD, MACKINAW CITY, MI
SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Supervisor Smydra called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

All Board members present: Brew, Closs, Falor, Darrow, Smydra.

Agenda approved as presented.

Motion by Brew, supported by Closs to approve the July 18, 2023 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Reports

1. Smydra has continued to work tirelessly on the Edgewater Beach turnaround project. There is currently disagreement with property owners as to where the turnaround location should go. The tentative plan is to have a neighborhood meeting to try to reach agreement on a location for the turnaround. Unfortunately, due to this disagreement and the delays this project will not be completed in 2024.
2. Smydra updated the board on the short-term rental issue. We are the only township who is interested in potentially creating a short-term rental policy. Smydra talked with Jeff Lawson the Cheboygan County Administrator and he stated that Cheboygan County itself might in act on a short-term rental policy in the future. Smydra asked Lawson if and when the County Board of Commissioners address this topic if he could serve as an advisory member to participate. Lawson agreed to this.

New Business.

1. Motion by Brew, supported by Darrow to approve the AT&T Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension.
Roll call: Ayes: Closs, Darrow, Smydra, Brew, Falor. Nays: None. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Falor, supported by Brew to approve the following budget amendment.
Minus \$700 from 101-900-980.00 Capital Control: Contingencies
Plus \$700 from 101-243-827 Library
Roll call: Ayes: Smydra, Darrow, Closs, Falor, Brew. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Darrow, supported by Closs to approve the 9-day early voting to be held at the Cheboygan County Building. Roll call: Ayes: Symdra, Brew, Falor, Closs, Darrow. Nays: None. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Brew, supported by Closs to approve RTZ 2023/2024 Snow Plow Proposal.
Roll call: Ayes: Closs, Falor, Brew, Darrow, Smydra. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report/ Bills/ Financial Report

1. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented
2. Motion by Brew, supported by Closs to approve the bills for August and September.
Roll call vote: Ayes: Smydra, Darrow, Brew, Falor, Closs. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. The Standard Budget Financial Report was reviewed.

Non-Agenda Items

1. Brew has been heavily involved with the Emergency Operation Center as they navigate the fire destruction at the Tissue Depot's storage building.
2. Falor mentioned to the board that we need to decide if we are going to proceed with the township driveway project off of US 23 Highway because we need a plan by May of 2024 on how to spend the AARPA grant money.
3. Falor mentioned the light in the parking lot that is currently on our electrical bill and approximately costs \$10 per month. The township could have that same type of light put in on the corner of the roadway and the township would have to pay the electrical bill for it as well but then the road would become more visible. Motion by Brew, supported by Closs to have Falor look further into putting another light fixture on the corner. Roll call vote: Ayes: Darrow, Smydra, Closs, Falor, Brew. Nays: None. Motion carried.
4. Closs mentioned to have the building power washed and cleaned due to all the spider and bug build up on the exterior. All the board members agreed this would be a great idea especially before the 2024 elections. Darrow will look at potentially completing the job and if she does not want to take on the task we will find another company to do so.

Meeting was adjourned by call of the chair at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Darrow, Clerk