

Draft— Approved
Charter Township of Portage
Regular Board Meeting
March 9, 2015
Township Office
47240 Green Acres Rd
Houghton, MI 49931
(906) 482-4310

The meeting was called to Order at 7:05 p.m. Those in attendance were Supervisor Bruce Petersen, Treasurer Carol Little, Trustees Peggy Anderson, Bill Bingham, Andrew Kemper and John Ollila
Absent: Clerk Jamie Solka

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion Made by John Ollila to amend the agenda, seconded by Bill Bingham, all voted in favor, motion carried.

Additions include:

1. Handout— Correspondence
2. Planning Commission Reappointing — New Business
3. Ice Rink — New Business
4. Otter Lake Dam — New Business
5. Water Line thawing — New Business

Motion made by John Ollila, second by Andrew Kemper to approve February 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes — All voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Peggy Anderson, second by John Ollila to approve bills as presented prior to the meeting. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report — None

Treasurer's report — Report handed out to all board members.

Zoning Administrator's report — Read by Supervisor Bruce Petersen

HTFD — Reported by Marty Raffaelli — 2 Fire calls, 5 Jaws calls.

Assessor's report — All have copies.

Public Comments:

Debbie Guilbault asked if the board would consider paying for the thawing of frozen water pipe
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Sally Santeford suggested we have an informative meeting on assessments in the township

Correspondence:

Handed out and Read by Supervisor Petersen

Unfinished Business:

- A) Chris Homes/UPEA — Infiltration study has been started. Mike Becia has been helping UPEA with removal of manhole covers
- B) FIOA — Policy needs to be in place by July 2015. Supervisor Bruce Petersen will follow the guidelines of MTA and monitor the policy accordingly
- C) Cemetery — Fraternity home would like to plant trees to buffer between house and cemetery. New irrigation system ~~designed~~ *is being purposed
- D) Zoning Manual draft is available to review

New Business:

- A) Keep run policy – Hurontown and No 2 location have a let run in effect
- B) Water line thawing requests for reimbursements will be discussed at a Water and Sewer Committee to meet and review
- C) Directory compilation for businesses in Portage Township will be added to the website
- D) Renewal – John Ollila made a motion to reappoint Ted Soldan and Rob Witting to the Planning Commission Committee, second by Bill Bingham. All in favor, motion carried.
Lights
- E) Motion sensor for the Dodgeville Ice Rink^ has been discussed
- F) Supervisor Bruce Petersen will be on the Otter Lake Dam Committee

Committee Meeting:

- A) B.O.R. – March 9 & 10, 2015
- C) Newly formed Houghton County Recycling Task Force Committee – March 3, 2015

Other Business:

Bill Bingham made a motion for Water and Sewer Committee to make final decision for the water line thawing reimbursements, second John Ollila. ~~All-voting-in-favor, motion-carried.~~ Motion was passed

Public Comments:

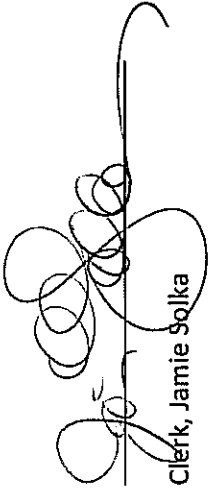
Questions were raised about the SEV values. Supervisor Bruce Petersen stated it needed to be brought to the BOR meeting.

Attendance: No sign ins

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Supervisor, Bruce Petersen



Clerk, Jamie Solka