

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
February 20, 2012
Houghton Township Community Building

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Supervisor Vivian called the regular meeting to order at 7 p.m.
Trustee Treganowan led the Board and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Vivian, Clerk Jones, Treasurer Chase, Trustee Long and Trustee Treganowan.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

GUESTS PRESENT: Tom and Elaine Hall, and Mel Jones

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- Approve minutes of January 16, 2011 regular meeting
- Accept financial report
- Approve payment of bills for all funds as listed on attached sheet
- Adopt agenda for tonight's meeting

Motion by Treganowan, seconded by Chase, to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

BRIDGE REPORT – Jim will contact Bill Kallman to see if there is anything new on the resurfacing project.

WATER DEPARTMENT – Mel will be attending a class/meeting in Escanaba in May to keep his certification updated.
Jim has suggested that Mel train a back up, and will contact a couple of people.

OLD BUSINESS

Museum Report – Mel – The chain for lengthening the lights is here, and Mike Sprenger will be contacted. The board discussed funding.

Township events – Shari, Elaine and Carol – The next event is in May. February had to be cancelled.

Board of Review – Mel – It seems the Sullivan issue is resolved, and Mel hopes it is retroactive.

Jim Vivian moved that Mel Jones, Carol Treganowan and Darlene Huovinen, with Elaine Hall as alternate, be on the Board of Review. Seconded by Treganowan. Motion passed unanimously.

Dates – March 6, March 12 (8am – 2 pm) and March 14 (8am – 11 am and 6 pm to 9 pm)

Township Newsletter – Articles due tomorrow, to then be given to Wanda Kolb.

NEW BUSINESS

The Fitzgerald would like to close off the street in front of the motel to have a July 4th celebration. Jim V will talk to the Road Commission about it.

A letter from Joan Dostaler concerning a 4H Project was shared with the board. Motion by Treganowan, seconded by Chase, to not purchase the requested advertising.

BUDGET REVIEW

Motion by Vivian, seconded by Treganowan, that line 209700 Assessor's Office of the General Fund be increased from \$7000 to \$7400. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next meeting – Monday, March 19, 2012

Carol Jones, Clerk
Houghton Township

-CERTIFICATION-

I, the undersigned, Carol Jones, the duly qualified and elected Clerk for the Township of Houghton, Keweenaw County, Michigan, DO CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a regular board meeting held on the 20th day of February, 2012

Carol Jones, Clerk
Houghton Township