

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HOUGHTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
November 19, 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 Hall, Mel Jones, Gary Erickson, and Scott Viau, from the Daily Mining Gazette

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL/ ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- Approve minutes of October 15, 2012 regular meeting
- Accept financial report
- Approve payment of bills for all funds - list following minutes
- Adopt agenda for tonight's meeting

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

OLD BUSINESS

MUSEUM Report – Mel has been in touch with piano restorers. He has presented a budget to the KHs for \$ _____ primarily to produce a DVD, and for an outdoor sign.

MUSEUM – AGREEMENT - Motion by Treganowan, seconded by Vivian, that the museum agreement be presented to the KHS for their approval. Motion passed unanimously.

The final paperwork for the grant given for the beams will be checked on with Virginia Jamison and Al Johnson.

TRACK LIGHTING – It has been completed, and working well.

BRIDGE REPAIRS – the work has been completed on the deck. A little more work needs to be done to smooth the surface, and then paint.

NEW BUSINESS

SHARI'S REPORT – Shari will ask Faye to continue as deputy until spring when Wanda Kolb will be available to do the job.

ELECTION REPORT – The machines worked well, and the day went smoothly.

BUDGET REVIEW - The board reviewed the budget numbers to date, discussed the difference between income and expenses. Next month, the budget will be looked at to see where cuts can be made.

FLOOR COMMENTS

Mary Long reminded the board that by Dec 31st, new board of review members must be appointed.

The benefit spaghetti dinner for Mike Sprenger will be held Saturday, Dec. 8th, from noon to 3 p.m.

Gary Erickson asked about the status of his letter, regarding the water department. He is still interested in the assistant position.

Confirm date for next meeting – Monday, December 17, 2012

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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 19th day of November, 2012

Carol Jones, Clerk
Houghton Township

Agenda for December 17, 2012

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Consent agenda – minutes, financial report and authorization of bills for all fund and adopt agenda.
4. Budget review and suggestions
5. Old business
 - Museum report
 - Agreement document
 - Matt's certification
 - Budget for the building maintenance fund
6. New Business
 - Shari
 - Election report
 - Bridge work
7. Floor comments
 - Benefit for Mike Sprenger
8. Confirm date for next meeting

FINANCIAL REPORT OF ALL FUNDS

As of 12/17/12

General - \$3,971.93

Bridge - \$688.23

Water - \$22,810.73

Cemetery - \$1655.94

Building Maintenance - \$10,100.90

Savings - \$469.27

CD - \$14,077.84