

Torch Lake Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
Hubbell Community Building
Wednesday, May 20, 2020

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The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Torch Lake Township Board was called to order by Supervisor, Cadwell, at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Isola, yes; Sapino, yes; Moore, yes and Cadwell, yes. Ambuehl absent.

A motion by Moore and a second from Isola was made to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Moore and a second by Sapino was made to approve the minutes from April 15, 2020 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: Two letters received from Charter: One May 1 announcing that on June 1 Spectrum will have 13 new English channels with the Spanish pkg. and the letter May 6 would introduce the ACC network with ESPN coverage and on May 16, two new channels: Hallmark Drama channel 180 and U.P. TV on 174 and 876 HD.

A letter from Semco was received on May 6th explaining the procedures for contacting Miss Dig.

A letter from State of Michigan notice of hearing for UPPCO customers on June 2, 2020 in Lansing announcing a rate increase. A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to place the correspondence on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Moore and a second was made by Sapino to approve prepaid bills from the General Fund of \$10411.54, from the Garbage Fund \$14331.18 and current bills from the General Fund of \$12339.74. Also, a check to North Star Emergency Vehicles for \$732.02 from the Bootjack Fire Dept. Special Assessment Fund for improvements to truck one and a check to Bensinger, Cotant and Menkes for legal review work on the Milfoil Special Assessment Fund for \$1956.00 from the Milfoil fund. Roll call: Cadwell, yes; Isola, yes; Moore, yes; and Sapino, yes. All in favor, Motion carried.

Treasurer Moore reported that four of the Township's accounts have seen a reduction in interest rates. Newsletter deadline is June 25th. Summer taxes will be mailed July 6th. A motion was made by Isola and a second by Sapino to accept the report as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Committees:

Sewage: None

Refuse: Road restrictions are off. It was reported that one of the County Commissioners had made a complaint about the garbage truck being too heavy to travel on the Rice Lake Road. The truck we use (Mack) was ordered with the weight restrictions in mind.

Fire: None

Parks: The Supervisor of Public Works has built 7 new picnic tables for Hubbell Park. Some of the older tables were taken to White City Park. Sapino, asked about repairing or rebuilding canopies over the present tables at White City.

Roads: Recently the Road Committee lost a member. Bill Fezzey passed away on May 12, 2020. Thanking Bill for his service.

Old Business:

Hydrant line repair will be starting around the first week in June. The project is estimated to be around \$40,000.00. A motion by Sapino and seconded by Isola was made to hire Tony Burcar Contracting to do the job. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business: A motion was made by Isola and a second by Moore to have Supervisor Cadwell start blight enforcement procedures on the following properties: 302 14th Street, 52290 M26, 26790 Hendrickson road and 26831 W 17th St. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Cadwell and a second by Isola, was made to advertise for bids for roof repairs on the portion of the Community Building over the back stairs into the hall and the roof over the gas meter on the Community building. Roll call: Isola, yes; Cadwell, yes; Sapino, yes and Moore, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Dust Control is available this year by the County. Dennis Racine of Schoolcraft has agreed to coordinate the process and take care of collecting payments. Moore suggested more publicity should be out there to encourage more people to take advantage of this service.

A motion by Moore and a second by Isola was made to purchase a new Kyocera M3645 copier for the Township office along with a service contract from Office Planning Group (Sayens). Total for the copier and contract is \$1851.20. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Street repairs and paving will begin in Hubbell in early June. FEMA and the Road Commission will be repairing and paving 2181 feet in Hubbell. Also, \$121,275.00 will be from the Road Committee Fund. Roll call: Isola, yes; Moore, yes; Sapino, yes; and Cadwell, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Supervisor Cadwell wants to start the process for obtaining a used loader for public works and will seek to obtain prices and specs in writing.

Lake Linden Village is promoting an event for the Lake Linden Hubbell Seniors and will have banners made. They have requested a contribution to assist in paying for the banners. A motion was made by Moore and a second by Isola was made to contribute \$400.00 toward the cost of the banners. Roll call: Cadwell, yes; Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to have Supervisor Cadwell sign a bid award on Thursday May 21, 2020 for storm drain replacement on J Avenue and 17th street from damage caused by flooding in June 2018 repairs are funded by FEMA. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Cadwell, yes; Moore, yes and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Public comment: None

There being no further business, a motion was made by Isola and a second by Sapino to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mary Isola, Clerk