

Torch Lake Township  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
Bootjack Fire Hall  
October 20, 2021

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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: Ambuehl, yes; Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes and Isola, yes. All present.

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

A motion was made by Moore and a second by Sapino to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2021, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: A letter dated September 20, 2021, from Michigan American Water Company announcing an increase of 3.71% in rates effective 10-1-2021. The increase amounts to \$3.52 every two months for 6000 gallons. A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to place the correspondence on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Moore and a second by Ambuehl was made to approve the prepaid bills from the General Fund of \$12073.67 and \$18822.85 from the Garbage Fund and current bills from the General Fund of \$18258.43.

Also, a check to West Shore Fire for \$12302.00 from Bootjack Fire Dept. Special Assessment for equipment as part of the FEMA grant. A check to North Star Emergency for \$1607.90 for the Bootjack Fire Department truck 1 and 2 from Bootjack Special Assessment. And a check to Wayne Henry for \$50.00 from the Milfoil account for gas for monitoring Milfoil treatment. Also, three checks for audit fees: Park fund \$100.00, Garbage Fund \$445.00, and Milfoil Assessment \$175.00

Roll call: Cadwell, yes; Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Ambuehl, yes and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Moore reported that taxes are down to around \$8000.00 to pay out. Also, she is looking into having bar codes on taxes and purchasing a scanner to read the bar codes.

A motion by Ambuehl and a second by Sapino was made to place the Treasurer's report on file. All in favor, motion carried.

**Committees:**

**Sewage:** None

**Refuse:** Tires were purchased for the White Chev garbage truck \$6529.00. Also, repairs must be made to a few of the older metal dumpsters.

**Fire:** Bootjack Chief Sarazin mentioned to Supervisor Cadwell they are looking into purchasing a Rescue Truck.

**Parks:** None

**Roads:** None

**Old Business:** A letter from Department of Treasury on the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds was received October 15, 2021, approving Torch Lakes funding request in the amount of \$191,334.00. The letter explains how the money can be spent on items such as Broadband, Sewage and Water. 50% should be received in Mid-November.

**New Business:** A motion was made by Moore and a second by Isola to approve a \$460.00 payment for the Milfoil permit for 2022. Roll call: Cadwell, yes; Moore, yes; Isola, yes; Sapino, yes, and Ambuehl, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Bootjack is looking into a Risk Reduction Grant thru the Par Plan Insurance for Security Cameras for the Bootjack Fire Department. Isola made a motion to pursue the Grant and a second was made by Sapino. Roll Call: Ambuehl, yes; Cadwell, yes; Isola, yes; Moore, yes and Sapino, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Moore and a second by Ambuehl was made approve the Upgrade for computer performance in the Township office through Remc1. Currently we spend \$629.69 a year. Upgrade will cost \$860.90 a year. Roll call: Isola, yes; Moore, yes; Sapino, yes; Cadwell, yes and Ambuehl, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Moore and a second by Sapino, was made to amend the Election account \$2500.00. Roll call: Moore, yes; Sapino, yes; Isola, yes; Ambuehl, yes and Cadwell, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Paul Bylka asked when the donated generator will be hooked up at the Bootjack Fire Department and a shack built to house it.

Tim Reitz asked about minutes not yet posted to the website. Supervisor Cadwell will be adding them.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Sapino and a second by Ambuehl to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mary Isola  
Clerk