

Torch Lake Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
Bootjack Fire Hall
April 20, 2022

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

A motion by Isola and a second by Sapino was made to approve the agenda with the addition of A KEDA Trail presentation by Kevin Codere. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Moore and a second by Sapino to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2022, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: A letter from Charter dated 3-25-2022. Effective March 29, 2022, there will be a temporary reduction in Russian/International video packages due to channel unavailability. Also, a letter from Charter dated 4-05-2022. Effective May 3, 2022, Circle HD a new TV network with channel 483 will be available to the Houghton Michigan channel lineup. 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 by Sapino to approve the prepaid bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$19091.56, from the Garbage Fund of \$16911.30 and current bills from the General Fund of \$15825.07.

Also, a check to Many Waters for a Vegetarian assessment for \$3473.00 from the Milfoil Assessment Fund. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Isola, yes and Cadwell, yes and All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Moore reported that the deposits reflect the last of property tax payments. Mary and I spoke to Brian Donnelly, Retail Banking Director at Superior National Bank. They do not offer CEDARS or ICS deposit services due to their solvency. A motion was made by Cadwell and a second by Isola to place the Treasurer's report on file. All in favor, motion carried.

Committees:

Sewage: None

Refuse: Refuse workers are currently working during road restrictions.

Fire: Jaws truck developed a leak of fluid needing repair and the Jaws tool was not working correctly on a run they made last week. Looking into replacing the jaws as it is 16 years old. They cost 30 to 40 thousand dollars and will be seeking grants.

Also, the Hubbell VFD foundation has ordered ten white tables for the Community Building.

Parks: None

Roads: None

Old Business: For information only. A report on vegetation analysis on the Milfoil issue from Many Waters has been provided to the Township.

A motion by Isola and a second by Sapino was made to approve selling the Township owned lot in Rice Lake that is 278 feet of lake front property for \$56712.00 (which Josh Stein estimated it was worth). Roll call: Sapino, yes; Isola, yes; Moore, no and Cadwell, yes. Three yes and one no vote. Motion carried.

New Business:

A motion by Isola and a second by Cadwell was made to approve the contract for Mark Erhart Assessing for three years from May 1, 2022, to April 3, 2025, for \$41472.00 a year. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Moore, yes; Cadwell, yes and Isola, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Effective May 26, 2022, Roger Isola will be retiring from the Township's Department of Public Works. A motion was made by Moore and a second by Sapino to approve Supervisor Cadwell placing an ad for a replacement. Roll call: Sapino, yes; Cadwell, yes; Isola, yes and Moore, yes. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to approve renewing the on-site annual agreement with REMC effective May 15, 2022. Roll call: Isola, yes; Cadwell, yes; Moore, yes and Sapino yes. All in favor, motion carried.

Kevin Codere working with KEDA requested a member of the Township join the Recreation Authority and attend a May 9, 2022, meeting regarding a proposed nonmotorized trail from Hancock to Lake Linden. KEDA is pursuing grants for this purpose and is looking for support for the project. The Authority is looking for feedback on the trail and looking for local entities to get involved. Supervisor, Cadwell agreed to attend the meeting.

Public Comment: Frank Ozanich, Commander of the VFW 4624 Post. The Post is interested in building a memorial in the park adjacent to the Community Building parking lot and hopefully will display the Honor Roll from World War I and II. They are looking for the names that were on an Honor Roll displayed there many years ago. A motion was made by Cadwell and a second by Moore to approve the memorial. All in favor, motion carried.

Tim Reitz from Jacobsville requested a "watch for children" sign that was taken out by the plow be replaced.

There being no further business, a motion by Isola and a second by Moore was made to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mary Isola, Clerk