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Torch Lake Township Board Meeting
May 17, 2023
Hubbell Community Building

The Meeting was called to order by Clerk Lou Ambuehl at 6pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Roll call: Clerk Lou Ambuehl; present, Treasurer Kathryn Moore; present, Trustee Scott Sapino; present, Trustee Tim Reitz; present, Supervisor Brian Caldwell; absent due to recovery from surgery.

The agenda was accepted as presented on a motion from Kathryn Moore and seconded by Tim Reitz. Motion passed.

The April 2023 minutes were accepted as presented on a motion from Kathryn Moore and seconded by Scott Sapino. Motion passed.

Correspondence was read by Lou Ambuehl. It was from Charter. They are adding a couple of new channels. A motion was made by Tim Reitz and seconded by Kathryn Moore to place the correspondence on file. Motion passed.

Clerk Ambuehl presented bills to be paid. There were prepaid bills from the General fund in the amount of \$33,187.55. There were bills from the Garbage Fund in the amount of \$17,922.36, and current bills from the General Fund of \$14,381.17. There were no outstanding bills. A motion was made by Kathryn Moore and seconded by Tim Reitz to accept the bills as presented. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl yes, Moore Yes, and Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

Kathryn Moore gave the Treasurer's Report. Summer tax bills go out soon. A motion was made by Scott Sapino and seconded by Tim Reitz to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Sewage: The grant has been received for the sewer lagoon expansion. Construction should begin soon.

Refuse: We are getting another quote for the proposed new garbage truck. We are still looking at trucks.

Hubbell Fire: Jeff St. Peter asked for a raise for firemen that are going to attend the U.P. Firemen's Tournament in July. The current rate is \$50 per person, which doesn't go very far. Hubbell is looking to send at least six people. The subject will be tabled until the June Meeting. Jeff also asked in the DPW could put up the American flags next year. Jeff said he will still do it this year but would like the job to be taken over.

Parks: This will be discussed under New Business.

Roads: This will also be discussed under New Business.

Old Business:

The status of White City is still up in the air. The Marquandt family still hasn't decided if they will sell to the Keweenaw Land Trust. If so, the Township will maintain the grounds.

New Business:

A Motion was made by Lou Ambuehl and seconded by Kathryn Moore to apply for a parade permit of the Fourth Of July. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

A Motion was made by Scott Sapino and seconded by Kathryn Moore to Donate \$200.00 to the Hubbell VFW for July 4th activities. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Tim Reitz and seconded by Kathryn Moore to accept the bid from Tony Burcar Contracting in the amount of \$2,840.00 for dock repair at the Hubbell Boat Launch. It will be leveled and have boards replaced. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

A Motion was made by Kathryn Moore and seconded by Lou Ambuehl to accept the bid from Tony Burcar Contracting in the amount of \$3,620.00 to repair

sidewalks West of the party store. This will come out of the ARPA Funds. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino yes. Motion passed.

A Motion was made by Kathryn Moore and seconded by Tim Reitz to accept the bid from Tony Burcar Contracting in the amount of \$950.00 to grade the Hubbell Boat Launch Parking Lot. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

A Motion was made by Kathryn Moore and seconded by Tim Reitz to have Rabbit Bay Rd. and Paradise Ln. oiled at a cost of \$38,500. This will come out of the Road Assessment Fund. Roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

A Motion was made by Tim Reitz and seconded by Lou Ambuehl to accept the bid from Tom Storm for the repairs and a handicap ramp at the Jacobsville Community Center in the amount of \$6,550.00 This will come out of ARPA Funds. Roll Call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl, yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

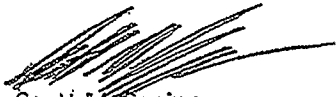
A Motion was made by Scott Sapino and seconded by Tim Reitz to update the Township's Recreation Plan from WUPPDR in the amount Of \$3,500.00. roll call: Reitz, yes, Ambuehl yes, Moore, yes, Sapino, yes. Motion passed.

Public Comment: Jeff St. Peter asked about the current status of the Bond Building. It will be a while before it is turned over to the County for back taxes. It's very dangerous. Dan Holombo, of E. Grosse Pt. Shores asked about the Milfoil Special Assessment District, and if we are still assessing taxes. The Township had not for a couple years because the milfoil has decreased in most areas, and that we still have \$37,000.00 in funds from previous years to take care of any milfoil that pops up. Treasurer Moore said she will investigate the matter for better clarification on when the Special Assessment District regarding milfoil expires. Mr. Holombo also asked if Dollar Bay was included in our sewer lagoon expansion. Clerk Ambuehl explained that it is not.

A Motion was made by Scott Sapino and seconded by Kathryn Moore to adjourn the Meeting. Motion passed.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:31PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping, slanted strokes that form the name 'Scott M. Sapino'.

Scott M. Sapino,
Trustee, Torch Lake Township.