

HUMBOLDT TOWNSHIP
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Regular Meeting
Monday, July 11, 2022 – 7:00 PM

1. Supervisor Ogea called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
 - MEMBERS PRESENT:** Betty Grund, Sarah Etelamaki, Jeff Ogea, Pete Koski
 - MEMBERS ABSENT:** None
 - STAFF PRESENT:** Jim Kippola, Steve Bartanen
 - STAFF ABSENT:** None
 - PUBLIC PRESENT:** Tom Prophet, Bob Brandt, Robert Flynn
4. Approval of Agenda
 - MOTION: To approve the agenda as written.**
 - Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.**
5. Approval of Minutes
 - MOTION: To approve the June 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes.**
 - Betty Grund, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.**
6. Approval of Treasurer's Report:
 - MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Total Assets are as follows:**

General Fund: \$1,941,157.00	Road Fund: \$442,770.07
Sanitation Fund: \$543,459.25	Rail Fund: \$401,537.77
Fire/EMS Fund: \$337,391.92	Trust & Agency Fund: \$8,895.94

 - Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.**
7. Approval of Bills:
 - MOTION: To accept the bills as written, with additions.**
 - Jeff Ogea, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.**
8. Reports
 - a. **BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Trustee Koski attended the Fire Department meeting. Clerk Etelamaki attended the WMCSA meeting.
 - b. **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:** Chairman Kippola gave a summary report of the last PC meeting. Full minutes are on file.
 - c. **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** Chief Bartanen gave a report on the Fire Department meeting and activity. Fire Department minutes are on file.
 - d. **ASSESOR REPORT:** Dylan Jurasin sent a written report stating he has visited 20% of the township properties and has found several improvements and buildings that did not have permits and/or have not been assessed. He is forwarding all information to the ZA and there will be letters sent out. The Township passed our AMAR review! July BOR is set for July 19th at 7:30pm.
9. Correspondence
 - a. FD Minutes-June & July
 - b. PC June Meeting Minutes

- c. BSR Eagle Mine Report
 - d. AMAR Review Results
 - e. James Nankervis Letter
 - f. Lease Amendment
 - g. Construction Agreement for FD/FQ
10. Public Comment: Jim Kippola stated a rep from IOHT will be attending the August Board meeting. He also has a meeting set to discuss the mine closure report.
11. Old Business:
- a. **Cemetery Fence:** The Board discussed several options of what could be done and what would look nice. Waiting on a quote from JCS for pulling up the old fence. The project is slowly moving forward with ideas.
 - b. **Fire/EMS Millage:** No new development.
 - c. **Gutter Quote:** Supervisor Ogea is still contacting companies for quotes.
12. New Business:
- a. **Summer Help:** Two of our summer helpers have moved on to other jobs so we need to hire extra help.
MOTION: To hire summer help for Bryant.
Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Jeff Ogea, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.
 - b. **North Country Request:** The board received a letter from NC requesting more money to help with rising fuel costs.
MOTION: To pay the extra \$344/month to offset rising fuel prices to North Country.
Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Pete Koski, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.
 - c. **Ice Rink:** The liner from last winter needs to be replaced. Bryant found a cheaper price through a different company at almost half the cost.
MOTION: To purchase the ice rink liner from Iron Sleek for \$969.99.
Pete Koski, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.
 - d. **Highline Letter of Support Request:** A request letter of support for a company that offers high speed broadband internet was received. It will service areas in the UP and is based out of Escanaba.
MOTION: To send a letter of support to Highline for internet service.
Betty Grund, Moved; Sarah Etelamaki, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.
 - e. **Water Filtration Quotes for Fire Hall:** The water quality at the fire hall is very poor with lots of iron. It is in need of a filtration system. Supervisor Ogea obtained 2 quotes from Swick and Norway Springs. The board had questions on what each estimate specifically included since the details were vague. Supervisor Ogea is going to call to get better clarification.
13. Public Comment: Bob Brandt had some comments on the condition of roads near Republic. Jim Kippola suggested the Supervisors and Road Commission meet.
14. Board Member Comments: None
15. Adjournment:
MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm.
Sarah Etelamaki, Moved; Betty Grund, Supported; 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent; Motion Carried.