

**MEETING OF THE ALLOUEZ TOWNSHIP BOARD**

November 9, 2023

Wednesday, November 9, 2023

6:00 p.m. at Allouez Township Offices, 102 Second St. Mohawk MI 49950

Guests present: Emmet Bjorn, UPEA, Julia Peterson, TNC, Eric Hermanson

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Aho at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Aho

Roll Call; board members present: Supervisor Aho, Treasurer Newman, Clerk Butala, Trustee Haataja, Trustee Kaura,

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2<sup>nd</sup> Treasurer Newman to approve meeting minutes Carried; ayes

Motion by Clerk Butala, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Haataja to approve previous meeting minutes; Carried; ayes

Motion by Trustee Kaura, 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor Aho to accept the Financial Report and bills; Carried; ayes

**Bills Paid**

Fire \$ 1,313.81      Sanitation Fund: \$22,082.76  
Sewer Fund: \$3,117.93      General Fund \$4,202.51

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Agreed to send a "Thank You" to Keweenaw Community Foundation For the Grant

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Issues: n/a**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Per Chief Bracco, No calls since last meeting, 3 new members finishing Fire School.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Kaura to approve up to \$250.00 for the suction hose that was approved at last meeting for \$100.00. The difference of \$128.02 to be paid out of the Fire Fund. Carried; ayes

**MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDERS: n/a**

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

n/a

**Sanitation:**

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clerk Butala to allow resident to opt in to the last 2 months of garbage pick up if prepaid and the resident pays the \$610.00 that was delinquent and sent to collections; carried; ayes.

**Sewer:**

Any delinquent sewer bills will be added to the tax roll

**Cemetery Report & Requests:**

**Parks & Rec Reports & Requests:**

Trustee Kaura to research the nets/equipment that will be needed to finish the pickle ball courts in the spring 2024

**Assessor's Report: attached**

**OFFICER REPORTS –**

**Supervisor's report:**

Contacted Township Attorney to review the property purchase from Sickler's at October meeting.

**Clerk's report:**

Corrections in October 2023 bills approved:

Sewer \$4,904.07 Fire \$13,703.41 Sanitation \$12,022.34 General \$32,519.86

Federal Tax of \$3,672.98 to be refunded back to general account, transferred in error.

Sage renewal \$1028.00 due in December

**Reimbursements:**

Maija Kytta \$38.04 from the park fund for a lighted star for Christmas display

Janet Rozich \$\$9.49 mileage for election training

Payroll corrections put off till discussion with Auditor Susan Sanford.

**Treasurer's report:**

News Letter will be posted

A letter to residents with escrow account will be sent regarding garbage payment changes

**Old Business:**

**Sewer Project:**

Motion by Trustee Kaura, 2<sup>nd</sup> Treasure Newman to approve the invoice for the invoice loan with UPEA for \$9,582.67; Carried; ayes

Emmet Bjorn spoke to board about Health Departments soil testing and possible changes needed to be made due to the soil study results and permitting agency will be EGLE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Keweenaw Heartlands Advisory Committee Representation**

Supervisor Aho will take on the committee membership representing Allouez Township. The first meeting being November 30, 2023

**Other Discussion:**

Motion by Treasurer Newman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor Aho to increase the \$360.00 approved for envelopes with color print logo at October meeting to be increased to \$441.00. Carried; ayes

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Haataja to approve \$16,207.00 for property insurance through Hannula Insurance Agency with the Clerk & Treasurer getting other quotes from other agencies. Carried; ayes.

Supervisor Aho will address the Facebook post regarding the Ahmeek Ice Rink and the miscommunication it caused.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trustee Kaura to adjourn meeting at 6:51 PM; carried.

Rebecca Butala, Clerk

