**Powell Township Board**

**Regular Meeting**

**PO Box 319, 101 Bensinger, Big Bay 49808**

**Tuesday May 17th, 2016 7:00 PM**

**~~Draft~~ Minutes**

**Approved Minutes June 21st, 2018**

1. Call to order at 7:00 PM, by Supervisor Darlene Turner, at Powell Township Hall.

2. Pledge of allegiance.

3. Roll Call: Joe Stanley, Denise Hudson, Darlene Turner, Arline Erickson Absent: Linda Gamble

4. Agenda: Motion to approve agenda (Stanley/Hudson). All yes, motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes:

* Motion made to approve April 19th 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes (Erickson/Hudson) All yes, motion carried.

6. Expenditure & Revenue Report: Discussion about revenue not showing and budget amounts not matching, possible idea is that something is wrong with computer program. The report was prepared earlier in the month. Motion made to approve (Stanley/Hudson). Hudson, Stanley, and Erickson: yes. Turner opposed. Motion carried.

7. Treasurer’s Report: There is a Tax Discrepancy posting

8. Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bills to be paid (Erickson/Turner). All yes, motion carried.

**Committee and Department Reports**

1. Ambulance Department: 4 runs in April; for one of the runs the Ranger had to be used and from its minimum use it will need some improvements
2. Fire Department: 1 run with EMS; Smoke alarms with 10-year battery life are still available from Red Cross; on Saturday May 21st there is a benefit for DJ Burns from 2 to 6pm
3. Emergency Management: the coordinator is attending various meetings and will bring update later
4. Parks & Recreation: the cabin’s asbestos test came back good; Thomas Rock is in the UPTRA magazine; Ball Tournaments on Memorial Day weekend have been moved to Saturday & Sunday; Draver Park Food Shack is going to be updated and the ball field is ready; talking about sponsoring a float contest for Fourth of July parade; Fourth of July celebrations need a person for the children games and/or the sawdust pile
5. Water Department: everything is going good; there’s a meeting on Wednesday May 18th with Matt from UPEA for an update on the new water system; there is a water user that has a large unpaid bill that promised to pay off bill but only brought in $50 are going to be turned off.
6. Sewer Department: Custodian Pete went to conference and was able to talk to the person in charge that had thought Pete needed an exam for the Sewer department
7. Planning and Zoning: Wednesday May 11th was a work shop for the Zoning book; Wednesday May 18th at 6:30pm at the township Fire Hall
8. Correspondence: seasonal weight lifted on May 20th, 2016; ~~Mikael~~ Michael Klein, undersheriff of Marquette, sent a thank you letter; MRA railroad update
9. Presentations: none

Public Comment:

Karen December has a question about the clean-up for senior citizens.

Supervisor answered that the clean-up is for all month of May. For non-hazardous items, if senior citizens have “junk” piled up and gives the township a call, we will arrange a time to come pick it up. We aren’t doing the actual cleaning.

Karen December brought up the rumor that the township is looking into buying the Lakinenen Property (old schoolhouse)

Supervisor answered that the Board has had no official discussion or made any decisions. Individual members of the board have been looking into the possibility of buying the 1941 property that is adjacent to Draver Park as a historical part of the township

**Unfinished Business**

1. Water Grant: It’s looking like the start of the project won’t be June but closer to August because it is be held up by waiting for approval from the government agency office based in Georgia of the Right-of-ways
2. Motion made to table the Truth and Taxation Resolution (Turner/Stanley). All yes, motion carried.

**New Business**

1. Fire Department: No motions
2. EMS: Motion made to increase amount for the EMS laptop purchase by an additional $1,000, a total $4,000 (Erickson/Hudson). The reason for a laptop being so much is the encryption needed for a computer that will be handling medical records. All yes, motion carried.
3. Parks & Recreation:
   1. Motion made for $400 for food shack start up (Erickson/Stanley). All yes, motion carried.
   2. Motion made for $150 for red/white/blue paint for the bowling pins (Turner/Hudson). All yes, motion carried.
   3. Motion made to approve the **DNR Grant Funds Resolution** with the correct amount of $15,800 to match grant (Erickson/Stanley). Roll call vote; Stanley, yes/ Erickson, yes/ Hudson, yes/ Turner, yes/ Gamble, absent. Supervisor declares the resolution passed.
4. Wellhead Protection
   1. Bill Griffith presented: tests are preformed to figure out the “collection zone” which is a 10 year time of travel how fast water travels and its path. Existing wellhead has an arc. The new well field is ~~for~~ far enough away that it won’t be the same as the existing. The Wellhead Protection grant will have the township matching $7,500 per year. Portions of the existing wellhead grant to transfer over as long as township agrees.
      1. The wellhead protection is voluntary and is a proactive in taking care of community water supply (Wellhead Protection zone)
         1. Having the Zone defined it doesn’t set restrictions
      2. October 1st is beginning of Grant work. It might take longer than a year. Getting hard data from existing wells is going to be attempted but there are only so many existing wells
      3. The wellhead protection program doesn’t set any of the regulations or zoning. It only defines the zoned area of the wellhead protection. It is the board and zoning board to set the regulations to protect the area. It is also a way to make the community aware of where their water is coming from
      4. Mr. Griffith suggests doing the two year plan
   2. Motion made to proceed with the Wellhead Protection Grant through UPEA (Turner/Hudson). All yes, motion carried.
   3. Motion made to approve the **Support Application for** **Wellhead Protection Program Resolution** (Erickson/Stanley). Roll call vote: Turner, yes/ Hudson, yes/ Stanley, yes/ Erickson, yes/ Gamble, absent. Supervisor declares the resolution passed.
   4. Motion made to approve the **Wellhead Protection Project Official Resolution**, authorizing the Supervisor as the official officer of the township (Stanley/Hudson). Roll call vote; Stanley, yes/ Erickson, yes/ Hudson, yes/ Turner, yes/ Gamble, absent. Supervisor declares the resolution passed.
5. Clean-up/ Fix-up Community Campaign: the office has a few different phone numbers of places that get rid of old cars and metal
6. Motion made to send up to 10 people to the MAP workshop on June 1st, 5pm-9pm in Chocolay Township at $89 per person (Stanley/Hudson). All yes, motion carried
7. Emergency Management has had mileage and lodging approved for attending trainings/meetings at a different board meeting. There will be a meeting in Marquette that the coordinator will be attending. No motions
8. Dug out Covers for Draver Park from a $1,000 donation from Steve Girard in the memory of Cheryl Girard
   1. Motion made to allow ball teams to construct dug out covers (Turner/Stanley). Turner withdraws motion.
   2. Motion made that if Ball Teams wish to construct the dugout covers, they must bring sketch to board to approve the construction (Stanley/Erickson). Turner, opposed. Motion passed

**Public Comment**

Question posed about the MarqTran millage being approved at the township. It is asked that the public be more informed on how the MarqTran isn’t as cooperative or accessible to Powell Township citizens as it was years ago and should not be voted for in the upcoming millage vote.

Supervisor wants the community to remember the Fourth of July Parade and for more community support

Next regular meeting: June 21st, 2016 at the Halfway Fire Hall at 7pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08 pm by the Supervisor

Samantha Morin - Recording Secretary