**Powell Township Board**

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

**Tuesday January 22nd, 2018 4:00 PM**

**~~Draft Minutes~~**

**Approved 02/19/19**

1. Call to order at 4:03 PM, by Supervisor, at Powell Township Hall.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Arline Erickson (Treasurer), Denise Hudson (Trustee), Joe Stanley (Trustee), Darlene Turner (Supervisor), Samantha Morin (Clerk)
4. Approval of Agenda with additions: New Business 9b. Election Budget Amendment, New Business 4. grant for $2000 matching funds; and New Business 7. Change the year from 2017 to Poverty Exemption 2018-2019 (Hudson/Stanley) All in Favor. Motion passed.
5. Water Department Report-
   1. Present: Jim Koskiniemi (Project Engineer of UPEA), Matt Treado (Project Engineer of UPEA), Dale Stewart (Northern Pump and Well), Rhonda Stewart (Northern Pump and Well), Pete Rhiannon (Associated Constructors), Daryl Wilcox (Water Operator), Pete TenEyck (Custodian)
   2. Pete Rhiannon brings his case to the board about waiving the Liquidated Damages for Associated Constructors. The last amount of liquidated amounts for $34,500 and the previous amounts of $157,000
   3. Dale Stewart discussed Northern Pump and Well’s work on the Water Project and also asked the board to waive Liquidated Damages
   4. UPEA discussed the bidding process, contract, and delayed schedules that Associated Constructors signed and provided for details of Liquidated Damages
   5. The Board approved offering Associated Constructors a $50,000 reduction in Liquidated Damages in exchange for the final completion which includes all lien waivers
6. New Water System Final Approval
   1. Motion to Approve Twenty-Seventh Final Draw Request for the amount of $138,074.08. Roll call vote: Turner-yes, Hudson-yes, Stanley-yes, Erickson-yes, Morin-yes. Supervisor declares this resolution passed.

**Supervisor Calls Recess of Board Meeting at 6:12pm**

**Supervisor Calls Board Meeting Back to Order at 6:57pm**

1. Approval of Minutes of December 18th, 2018 (Stanley/Hudson) with Corrections. Clarification regarding the rental of the chimney sweeper from the Fire Department was free for residents. Residents must fill out rental waiver before using. All in Favor. Motion passed.
2. Expenditure & Revenue Report (Erickson/Turner) Questions/Discussion: Stanley sought clarification on page 5 #9 election wages- will be addressed later in meeting. Page 7 Fire department- professional services was taken out of general funds and should be donated funds- will be corrected. Page 19 Landfill fees and solid waste will need an amendment- will address next meeting.
3. Treasurer’s Report- Erickson questioned $3.86 on CD- will check into it. No other questions
4. Approval of Bills- (Erickson/Stanley) Clarification was made regarding Mastercard charges and Marquette Automotive. All in favor. Motion Passed.

**Committee & Department Reports:**

* 1. Ambulance Dept.- 4 calls in the last month, 2 transports and 2 unable to transport due to lack of personnel to transport. Working with EMT school to get a Medical First Responder class, currently they want 10 people to fill the class. There are currently 4 people who are definite and 4 others who are interested in taking the class.
  2. Fire Dept. – 0 calls so far. Scott is working out well and has been a big help.
  3. Emergency Management- no report
  4. Parks & Rec-Ski trail is groomed, the connector trail to the school will be groomed tomorrow. Honey Bear ski event is coming up February 9th, 2019. Posters were distributed. Working on grants for summer concert series (will discuss later in meeting). Also working with Center for Responsible Travel, helping with parks and trails- will have a survey in March and April.
  5. Water Dept.- Everything is going good; water consumption is up about 5,000 gallons per day. It has been a gradual increase not likely due to a leak, but to people letting their water run due to cold temperatures. We have two residents who are on a let run due to their water freezing under the street. Clarification was requested on who pays for the water bills if a resident chooses to let their water run in cold temperatures. The township is not advising a let run order. If the water is freezing in a residents home it is their responsibility, they must take proper actions (heat tape ect..) to correct problem. Letters will be sent out reminding residents if they choose to run the water it is their responsibility to pay for any overages incurred.
  6. Sewer Dept.- All is going well.
  7. Planning and Zoning- Marquette Co. Planning and Zoning attended the last meeting, they are working on their master plan. They encouraged Powell Township residents to take a survey to help them complete this. [www.mqtcoplan.org/survey](http://www.mqtcoplan.org/survey). We are also working with Jason McCarthy in completing our masterplan as well as updating our planning and zoning, it should take approximately 13 months.
  8. Correspondence- Michigan State University has an open house on January 29th, 2019 from 6p-8p regarding climate change and health impacts.
  9. Presentation- None

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Water System Improvement Project *Completed earlier in meeting*

**New Business:**

1. Fire Dept.
   1. Fit testing for air packs $200.00 plus operator- February 27th, 2019 (Erickson/Morin) Clarification that the total cost is $200 which includes the testing and operator. All in favor. Motion passed.
   2. New hose nozzle- halfway truck- $350.00 (Stanley/Erickson) All in favor. Motion passed.
2. EMS: none
3. Planning Commission:
   1. Approve Laura Mohrman for additional term. (Morin/Erickson) In favor: Turner, Erickson, Hudson, and Morin. Opposed: Stanley. Motion passed.
4. Parks and Recreation: To apply for grant for music series- $2,000 matching funds (Erickson/Stanley) All in favor.
5. Resolution for Elected officials’ salary- Budget Year 2019-2020
   * 1. Supervisor- $10,000 (Erickson/Stanley) All in favor. Motion passed.
     2. Clerk- $10,000 (Hudson/Stanley) All in favor. Motion passed.
     3. Treasurer- $10,000 (Hudson/Morin) All in favor. Motion passed.
     4. Trustees $65(Stanley/Hudson) In favor: Hudson and Stanley. Opposed: Erickson, Turner, Morin. Motion failed.
6. Board of Review:
   1. Bonnie Brown resigns- motion to accept (Erickson/Morin) All in favor. Motion passed.
   2. Approve Faye Bowers as member (Erickson/Stanley) Al in favor. Motion passed.
   3. Class $10.00, Book $34.50, Mileage (for 1 member)- Class for Faye Bowers in Quinnesec for Board of Review. (Erickson/Stanley) All in Favor. Motion passed.
7. Resolution for Poverty Exemption 2018-2019 Adoption for guidelines for poverty exemption. Roll call vote: Hudson-yes, Stanley-yes, Erickson-yes, Turner-yes, Morin-yes. Supervisor declares resolution adopted.
8. Approve Emergency Management to help Bay Cliff with setting up evacuation plan. (Turner/Erickson) All in favor. Motion passed.
9. Budget Amendments
   1. Motion to approve 4th quarter budget amendments (Erickson/Stanley). Roll call Vote: Morin-yes, Stanley-yes, Erickson-yes, Turner-yes, Hudson- yes. Supervisor declares the Amendments passed.
   2. Election wages increase $700.00 from election supplies.
      1. Motion made to move $700 out of office/election supplies (Hudson/Stanley) All in favor. Motion passed.
      2. Motion made to put $700.00 into election wages. (Erickson/Stanley) All in favor. Motion passed.
10. Acoustic Panels $150.00 (in office to absorb sound). Clarification: price is for 3 panels at $50.00 each. Panels will be used in the main office corridor. (Hudson/Morin) All in favor. Motion passed.
11. Two caution signs for children to be used in the Alger Bridge area for $100.00. Discussion regarding whose responsibility it is to put up the signs (school, road commission, etc.) (Hudson/Stanley) In favor: Turner, Morin, Hudson, and Stanley. Opposed; Erickson. Motion passed.

**Public Comment:**

* Supervisor encouraged community members to take Marquette County survey to help shape the future of our community, and provided website of survey: mqtplan.org/survey
* Inquiry regarding fire on the bay fund raising- wondering if there were ever funds left over to be rolled into the next year. Supervisor clarified that there are not left-over funds year to year and that our firework costs continue to grow as we provide a longer show each year.
* Request for a street light at Brown Deer Rd and Co Rd 550- sighting safety concerns. Board will consider at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM by Supervisor

*Motions for New Purchases or Bills*

*Fire Department- $200.00 for air packs and operator*

*Fire Department- $350.00 for hose nozzle*

*Board of review class $10.00, book $34.50, and mileage*

*Acoustic panels $150.00 for three*

*Caution Signs for children $100.00 for two*

Minutes prepared by

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