**Powell Township Board**

**Meeting of the Whole**

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

**Monday ~~Thursday~~ September 9th, 2019 9:00 AM**

**~~Draft Minutes~~**

**Approved 09/17/2019**

1. Call to order at 9:00am, by Supervisor, at Powell Township Hall.
2. Roll Call: Arline Erickson (Clerk); Darlene Turner (Supervisor); Samantha Morin (Clerk)
   1. Absent: Joseph Stanley (Trustee); Denise Hudson (Trustee)
   2. Also Present Scott Swenor as Representative of UPEA
3. Conflict of Interest Policy
   1. Motion to approve the Conflict of Interest Policy (Morin/Erickson). *Discussion as follows.* Roll Call Vote: Turner, yes; Erickson, yes; Morin, yes; Stanley, absent; Hudson, absent. Supervisor declares the Conflict of Interest Policy passed.
      1. USDA Rural Development sent out a requirement that all townships have a Conflict of Interest Policy in place effective immediately for further support.
      2. Even with the Conflict of Interest Policy the board has to be also aware of what constitutes and have an ethical obligation to avoid any conflict of interest
      3. Generic Conflict of Interest provided but read over by board present to be satisfactory for Powell Township
4. Disclosure Letter
   1. Motion to approve Interest Disclosure Letter as written with the Supervisor ability to advice the board of minor changes suggested by USDA Rural Development with or without calling a special meeting (Morin/Erickson). *Discussion as follows.* All yes, motion carried.
      1. Must be put on Powell Township Letterhead
      2. The letter is to the point but USDA Rural Development might need more wording to accept. UPEA suggested the motion be flexible for the Supervisor to make changes in a short time window that might happen to get everything accepted.
5. Pump House Road Question to UPEA
   1. Funding for Road is on approval of current project and wondering the time table for the Road being corrected before winter
   2. Mr. Swenor will bring concerns to UPEA and have answers to the board.

**Public Comment:**

* none

Meeting adjourned at 9:20am by Supervisor

Minutes prepared by

Samantha Morin

Powell Township Clerk