

Powell Township Board Meeting
PO Box 319, 101 Bensinger, Big Bay 49808
October 18, 2022 – 7:00PM
Draft Minutes

Call to Order 7:05pm by Supervisor

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call of Offices – Darlene Turner (Supervisor) present; Kelli Santilli (Treasurer) present; Karen December (Trustee) present; Denise Hudson (Trustee) present; Mitch Walker (Clerk) present.
3. Approval of Agenda – **Motion** to approve agenda with additions listed below (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried.
 - a. Joy Barber new Deputy Clerk and Recording Secretary - #10.
 - b. Approval of Zoning Permit Fees - #11
 - c. \$250 for Planning Commission Training - #12
4. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. **Motion** to approve August 25, 2022 meeting minutes (Santilli/Walker) all in favor, motion carried.
 - b. **Motion** to approve September 20, 2022 meeting minutes (Hudson/Santilli) all in favor, motion carried.
5. Expenditure & Revenue Report – **Motion** to approve report with corrections (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried.
6. Treasurer’s Report
7. Approval of Bills – **Motion** to approve bills to be paid (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried.

Committee & Department Reports:

1. Ambulance Department – Tyler Vargo, Ambulance Department Coordinator. 5 calls since last township meeting. State inspection is on 10/28/2022. Hall is running smoothly.
2. Emergency Management – K. Bourgeois, Emergency Management Chair. No news to report.
3. Fire Department – C. Sutter, Fire Chief. Seven fire calls (Two active fires). Reminded community that chimney brushes are available to use. Fire drill for Township has been rescheduled. AFS grant results should be available in December; if not awarded to Powell Township, will reapply. L’Ance Fire Department has a used brush truck for sale.
4. Parks and Recreation Department. Kelli Santilli, Treasurer. Collected quarters from Thomas Rock binoculars, the storage unit was purchased and installed and, the Wolverine UTV needs repairs.
5. Planning Commission. Denise Hudson, Trustee. Zoning areas waiting for materials.
6. Water & Sewer Departments. Daryl Turner, Water Operator. Report that all is well.
7. Correspondence: 1 regarding Space Port and 1 regarding speed limit signs
8. Presentations: Mike Grentz, Anderson, Tackman & Company, CPAs, gave report and answered Board questions regarding annual audit report for fiscal year ending 3/31/2022.

Public Comment: None

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Unfinished Business:

1. Turner: Still waiting on legal to complete review of draft Marijuana Ordinance.

New Business

1. Ambulance: **Motion** to approve sale of old UTV for \$5,000. Proceeds to Ambulance Donated Funds (Santilli/December). Yeas 4, Nays 1 – Motion passed.
2. Fire Department
 - a. **Motion** to approve Auxiliary Fire Department member Karen December (Hudson/Walker) all in favor, motion carried.
 - b. **Motion** to approve new firefighter trainee Jon Stocker (Hudson/Santilli) all in favor, motion carried.
 - c. **Motion** to approve purchase old UVT from EMS for \$5,000 from Fire Department donated funds (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried.
 - d. **Motion** to apply for MCCG from HMC, funds to be used for purchasing Brush Truck (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried
 - e. **Motion** to approve expenditure to send 2 SCBA Air Parks for repairs (December/Walker) all in favor, motion carried.
 - f. **Motion** approve expenditure of \$5,600 on Fire Hall #1 loft & stairs improvement, cost to be split 50/50 with EMS. (Hudson/December) all in favor, motion carried.
 - g. **Motion** to approve expenditure of \$750 for brake repairs on unit #2109. (Hudson/Santilli) Yeas 4, Nays 1, motion carried.
3. Parks and Recreation
 - a. **Motion** to approve expenditure of \$250 for Yamaha maintenance at Wolverine Service (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried.
 - b. **Motion** to approve expenditure of \$2,104.85 for 500-hour maintenance on Kubota tractor at RMS. 50% P&R Trail Services/50% P&R PTRN Trails – Operating. (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion carried.
4. **Motion** to approve a loan to the Road Fund of \$475,000 from the General Fund for 2022 paving. Annual pay back \$87,040.09 – 3.00% interest, 7-year loan. (Hudson/Walker) Roll call vote: Turner; yea; Santilli, yea; Walker, yea; December, yea; Hudson, yea. Motion passed.
5. **Motion** to approve mileage reimbursement to/from Marquette Water works training program, Daryl Wilcox, October 25th. (Hudson/December) all in favor, motion passed.
6. **Motion** to approve expenditure of \$775 for Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer to attend Treasurer Guide to Tax Collection training in Gaylord, Michigan. (Hudson/December) all in favor, motion passed.

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7. **Motion** to approve expenditure of \$495 for EMS Billing Coordinator to attend EMS Billing Collection Workshop in Gaylord, Michigan. (Walker/Santilli) All in favor, motion passed.
8. 3rd Quarter Budget Amendments. Walker – none to report in 3rd quarter
9. Blue Cross Blue Shield renewal is due December 1, 2022. Bill has not been received. **Motion** to table issue until bill is received (Santilli/Hudson) all in favor, motion passed.
10. **Motion** to approve new Deputy Clerk Joy Barber (Hudson/December) all in favor, motion passed.
11. **Motion** to approve new Zoning Permit Fee Schedule – attached (Santilli/December) all in favor, motion passed.
12. **Motion** to approve expenditure of \$250 for Planning Commission Training for Trustee Hudson (Santilli/Turner) all in favor, motion passed.

Public comment:

1. J. Gertz: Availability and use of fire tanker enabled Fire Department to extinguish brush fire threatening her home and others on Lighthouse Road several years ago. Due to wind and shore conditions, the Fire Department would have been unable to pump water from Lake Superior.
2. C. Moran: The DNR agreement regarding Fire Department Unit #2109 does not preclude use of vehicle to support structure fires. Thanks the Board for support of Fire Department and repairs to Unit #2109.

Next Regular Board Meeting November 15, 2022; 7:00pm

Adjourn 8:30pm

Minutes prepared by: Joy Barber
Powell Township Deputy Clerk and Recording Secretary
Final edit/approval: Mitch Walker
Powell Township Clerk