

**BURT TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
May 7, 2020**

The Burt Township Board was called to order on May 7, 2020 at 7:00 pm via teleconference.  
1-800-678-6823 Code 7861936#

**PRESENT:** Harold Koviak, Shirley Reimann, Katie Parker, Gene Hodulik, Donna McDougall  
Also Attending: Tim MacArthur, Jim Larson

**AGENDA:** Koviak

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by Hodulik to approve the agenda as presented with the following addition: Resolution for Aspen Wireless fiber optic in Burt Township\

**MOTION APPROVED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**CONSENT AGENDA** – Minutes from April 2, 2020 and payment of the bills

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by Hodulik to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on April 2, 2020 as presented and payment of the bills.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Fire Agreement with Mullett Township - Koviak

Nothing new on the agreement - no meeting between the two townships, as yet.

Birchwood Road Paving - Koviak

A loan application for the project was received. This item should be put on hold until July as the State revenue sharing may be cut if the COVID-19 crisis continues. Hodulik suggested a repayment installment plan with the County Road Commission be set up to pave Birchwood Road.

OHM Contract for Burt Lake Trail - Phase II - Koviak

Koviak received a response from OHM (Ben Gowell) on April 30, 2020 referencing their proposal to complete engineering for Phase II. They propose \$6,000 to "overwinter" the trail and \$21,000 to complete.

**MOTION:** Moved by McDougall, supported by Hodulik to approve \$27,000 to OHM for over-wintering and completion of Phase II of the Burt Lake Trail.

Discussion: MacArthur suggested including a cover letter that reads "the \$27,000 is to complete the Phase II and there will be no further per week charges."

**AMENDED MOTION:** Moved by McDougall, supported by Hodulik to approve \$27,000 to OHM to complete engineering for Phase II of the Burt Lake Trail (\$6,000 for overwintering and \$21,000 for Spring 2020 completion) **with the stipulation that there will be no further per week charges.**

Roll Call vote taken: Parker - yes; Hodulik - yes; Reimann - yes; McDougall - yes; Koviak - yes

## **MOTION APPROVED**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### OHM Contract for Mullett-Burt Road Boat Launch - Koviak

OHM will start work on the boat launch May 26, 2020 with completion in mid-June. The total contract price is \$7,960 and OHM may not go over that fee without written authorization from the township supervisor.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Parker to approve the contract with OHM for the Mullett-Burt Road boat launch at a cost of \$7,960 with completion in mid-June 2020.

Roll Call vote taken: Parker - yes; Hodulik - yes; Reimann - yes; McDougall - yes; Koviak - yes

#### **MOTION APPROVED**

#### Spring Clean Up Day - Koviak

Spring Clean Up Day will be held on June 20, 2020 at the East Side Transfer Station from 9 am to 4 pm. There will be no early pick-ups this year due to COVID-19.

#### Hall Entrance - Koviak

The board discussed the drawings for the hall entrance. To alleviate the problem of the west wind, it was decided the best solution would be to move the ramp to the front of the building and enclose the east and west sides of the porch. A big thank you to Kirk Hodulik for working on this project.

#### Trail Parking - Parker

Gary Street offered to draft a "no parking on the trail" ordinance. After discussion and input from MacArthur, the board acknowledged that such an ordinance would be too difficult to enforce.

#### Audit

Nieland & Kosanke prepared a proposal for the township for the 2018-2019 audit at a cost of \$4325 including the F-65 report which is an increase of \$75 from the audit two years ago.

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by McDougall to contract with Nieland & Kosanke for the 2018-2019 audit at a cost of \$4325.

#### **MOTION APPROVED**

#### Aspen Wireless, 8521 S Bohemian Rd, Maple City, MI 49664 - Parker

Aspen Wireless requests Burt Township adopt a resolution to support installation of an open-access shared fiber-to-the-home network, easement access and right of way access in Burt Township. This resolution is the same as the one granted to Cherry Capital at the April 2020 meeting.

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by Hodulik to adopt a resolution for Aspen Wireless to support installation of an open-access shared fiber-to-the-home network, easement access and right of way access in Burt Township, Cheboygan County.

#### **MOTION APPROVED**

### **Reports**

Burt Lake Trail - Hodulik

Bert Ebbers put together a proposal for engineering services for Phase III from Huron Engineering of Alpena at a cost of \$18,000, which is 1/3 the cost of OHM's proposal and no differences in service.

**MOTION:** Moved by Hodulik, supported by Reimann to contract with Huron Engineering in the amount of \$18,000 for engineering services for Phase III of the Burt Lake Trail.

Roll call vote taken: Hodulik - yes; Reimann - yes; McDougall - yes; Koviak - yes

**MOTION APPROVED**

Parker abstained.

Planning Commission - Koviak

Next meeting May 14, 2020 - teleconference meeting.

Check with planner to see what they want for master plan

Zoning Board of Appeals - Koviak

Next meeting May 22 – one variance Thoms – teleconference meeting

Zoning Administrator - Larson

As construction opens up, Larson said he is getting a lot of calls.

Supervisor's Report - Koviak

No report

**PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

MacArthur said Governor Whitmer signed an order allowing public meetings to continue by electronic means through June 30.

Next meeting June 4, 2020 - 7:00 PM

**MOTION:** Moved by Parker, supported by Hodulik to adjourn.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Clerk

