Escanaba Township meeting held September 20, 2021.

Supervisor Tom Rymkos called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Treasurer Kim Knauf-Wyckoff led in a short prayer.

Board members attending: Supervisor Tom Rymkos, Clerk Patricia Beauchamp, Treasurer Kim Knauf-Wyckoff, Trustee Al Gareau, and Trustee Theresa Chenier.

Six residents were in attendance in the audience.

Trustee Gareau moved to approve the Agenda with additions, seconded by Clerk Beauchamp. Motion carried.

Trustee Gareau moved to approve the August 9, 2021 minutes with corrections, seconded by Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff. Motion carried.

Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff presented the Financial Report. Trustee Chenier moved to accept the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

Communication: 1. A thank you note from the Village of Carney was sent to the fire department for helping with their fire.

- 2. Litigation Program updates filling out a work sheet by September 30th.
- 3. UPPCO will be digging around the substation, and this should be put on the website.
- 4. Emily DeSalvo with changes at dispatching as of April 2021 and emergency signs.

Public Comments on Agenda items only: None.

NEW BUSINESS: UPSET will be sending a contract for \$100 where they will be informing the school children and public pertaining to drugs.

Delta County Sheriff Department will no longer require a contract for additional patrolling service to our township.

Emily DeSalvo will to discuss the emergency signs for our township.

A job application was printed out for use for anyone to apply for a township position. Trustee Gareau moved to use this application for township positions that are open. This motion was seconded by Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff. Motion carried.

Trustee Chenier presented an Expense Reimbursement Policy. Trustee Chenier moved to accept this Policy, seconded by Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff. Motion carried.

Trustee Gareau moved to accept the Grounds Keeper Policy, seconded by Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff. Motion carried.

Cemetery Sexton will be on the October Agenda.

The Amish have to sign a Contract each year for opening and closing gravesites.

The Township Board would like to put a notice in the Daily Press mentioning the good and bad of the Annexation to Cornell Township. The Board will discuss this with MTA prior to doing this.

Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff moved to accept the Independent Contract Policy, seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

Rick Labumbard property Blight issue will be discussed at our October Township Meeting.

New Business: Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff moved to include Form I-9 in employees files., seconded by Trustee Gareau. Motion carried.

I-9 Employee Forms will be sent to all employees for the ones that are not in our Dockets.

Trustee Chenier will give a testimony on the Premium Package we get from the MTA. This will go for her credits for the Academy Program with MTA.

Public Comments: None.

Board members comments: None.

Trustee Chenier discussed the article in the Daily Press pertaining to the Solar Seminars. It stated that Lawyer Terry Burkhart was the former Township Lawyer, this is not true he is still our Lawyer.

Liaison Chenier gave her Planning Commission Report, including Risk Management.

Delta County Commissioner Bob Barron was not present to give his report.

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Volunteer Fire Department was not present to give their report.

Trustee Gareau moved to pay bills, seconded by Treasurer Knauf-Wyckoff. Motion carried.

Trustee Knauf-Wyckoff move to adjourn at 9:51 p.m., seconded by Trustee Chenier. Motion carried.

Patricia J Beauchamp

Escanaba Township Clerk