

Laird Township Board
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Supervisor Spencer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were Supervisor Patricia Spencer, Treasurer Nicole Krajnak, Trustee John Juntunen, Trustee Ryan McGahan, and Clerk Robin Henry.

The Minutes of the August 14, 2024 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Juntunen and seconded by Treasurer Krajnak to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting. With all in favor, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion was made by Supervisor Spencer and supported by Clerk Henry to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the bills. With all in favor, motion carried.

Fire Department Report:

- Chimney cleaning will be September 28th, with October 5th as a back-up date.
- There were no calls this month.
- 8 new tires are needed for the pumper. No prices have been obtained yet.

Constable Report: The monthly liquor license inspection for the Church in the Valley was done. Constable Peterson also shoveled off cement by cemetery vault.

Recreation Committee Report:

- 9th Annual Tractor Races were a success. Permit for Hoover Road closure and liability insurance for event was easily obtained
- A Halloween party is being planned. The Recreation Committee is looking for volunteers to help with this.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Fedie provided an update on the class he attended and the audit that will be in April of 2025.

Ambulance Committee Report: The next meeting will be September 25th. Supervisor Spencer called Gary Wadaga to discuss future billing from Bay Ambulance and was told that all municipalities will be billed in the same manner.

Public Comment:

- C. Balderrama stated that he will take drone footage of the Nisula Cemetery within the next week, as long as the weather cooperates.

Old Business:

- Scrap Tire dumpster billing has been problematic. Waste Management has overbilled the township and it has taken Supervisor Spencer many calls to straighten things out.
- Electrical bids on the township hall have been solicited. One bid has been received and Supervisor Spencer will make calls to obtain other bids.

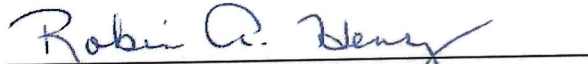
New Business:

- Ballfield bathrooms need better latches and grab bars for elderly and handicapped residents. These items were tabled until spring.
- Feral cats on Hulkonen Road in Nisula have been a problem. Supervisor Spencer contacted KSNAG (Keweenaw Spay Neuter Assistance Group) in Laurium and they will live trap and then neuter/spay and adopt cats out. They will begin to trap them in the next few days.
- Houghton County Planning Commission meeting was attended by J. Ploskonka and Supervisor Spencer. It focused on renewable energy. Some townships have ordinances in place to keep control at the township

level. Clerk Henry will reach out to other local clerks to obtain copies of their ordinances for reference purposes. There will be more meetings and information released in the future.

- ALK will winterize the ballfield and the church, and check furnaces in the township hall. A motion was made by Treasurer Krajnak, seconded by Clerk Henry to authorize this work to be done. With all in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Spencer and seconded by Trustee Juntunen to adjourn the meeting. With all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.


Robin A. Henry, Laird Township Clerk