

**Forsyth Township Board
Regular Meeting
Gwinn Community Center
June 25, 2020**

Supervisor Boogren called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Boogren, Clerk Borrett, Treasurer Roberts, Trustee Armatti and Trustee Adams

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: A number of township employees and concerned citizens.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Roberts, supported by Borrett, to approve the Minutes from the May 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Roberts, supported by Armatti, to approve the agenda as presented, adding 185 N. Tamarac to 10g. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Rich Johnson commented on the public meeting, transfer station operations and electricity in the new pavilion. Bryce Hattamer commented on the trails in Forsyth Township.

Department Reports: The following reports were placed on file: EMS, Assessing, Zoning, Senior Citizens Director, Fire, Library, Police and General Operating Financial.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Marin stated she has been working on two matters. A Cease and Desist order from 2018. She is preparing a Show Cause Motion, to be filed in Circuit Court. On the Campground matter, there was a pretrial conference. Attorney Marin was the only side to appear. The judge did enter a default judgement. She is checking into other options to recoup Township expenses.

Approval of Bills & Vouchers: Motion by Roberts, supported by Boogren, to approve the bills and vouchers as presented totaling \$103,227.42. Motion carried.

**Forsyth Township
Bills For Approval
6/25/20**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Airgas	PW/FD Cylinder Rental and Gases	719.59
Auto Value	Various Dept Parts	792.23
Bergdahl's	PW Parts	392.87
Borrett, Michelle	PW and SC Supplies Reimbursement	633.41
City of Marquette	Water Analysis	100.00
College Laundry	Various Dept Carpet/Uniform Svc	381.89
Compudyne	Computer Support & Hardware	1,871.64

Core & Main	Water Parts	1,026.86
Crossroads Truck Repair	Garbage Truck Repair	806.60
Dalco	PW Supplies	228.42
Elcom	FD Radio Repair	22.50
Embroidery Wear House	EMS Uniforms	263.00
Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC	Attorney Fees	2,540.50
Frobergs Clothing	PW Boots	169.99
Kustom Signals	PD Parts	1,000.00
Marin Law	Attorney Fees	750.00
Menards	Supplies for Various Depts	549.40
Mqt Co. Prosecutor	Asset Seizer	248.60
MIAPA	A/Z Membership Renewal	60.00
MML	Fireworks Policy	750.00
Midway Rentals	PW Supplies	191.16
Nagelkirk	Flowers	1,480.09
North Country Disposal	Community Clean-Up	12,490.00
Pomasl Fire Equipment	FD Uniforms & Supplies	939.55
Premeau Construction	CH Exterior Repairs	34,780.50
Pride Printing	Envelopes	268.61
Quill	Office Supplies	571.92
Range Telecommunications	PD Repairs	340.00
Remy Battery	FD/Parks Batteries	723.96
Standard Electric	Ballfield Repairs	450.00
State of Michigan	FD/PD/EMS Radios & Services	1,638.15
The Mining Journal	Publishing	564.19
TransUnion	PD Background Checks	50.00
UPEA	Engineering Services	1,370.02
UP Office	SC Copier	288.00
US Postal Service	PO Renewal	124.00
Walter Patterson	PW Oil	146.00
	TOTAL	69,723.65

**Forsyth Township
Additional Bills For Approval
6/25/20**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Ace Hardware	Supplies-Variou Departments	707.79

Elcom	Radio Repair-Police	22.50
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Supplies	483.20
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	Radios-Police	8,655.09
Myron Hillock	Thermometer for Senior Center	74.19
Posmasl	Bunker Gear	8,138.64
Premeau Construction	Partial Payment - Clubhouse Exterior Repair	14,859.00
Quill Corporation	Supplies-Assessor, Police, Campground	205.36
Range	Camera Repairs	358.00
	SUB-TOTAL:	33,503.77
	ORIGINAL LISTING:	69,723.65
	TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:	103,227.42

ACTION ITEMS:

EMS – Hire EMT (10a.): Motion by Boogren, supported by Borrett, to approve hiring EMT Joel Johnson. Motion carried.

EMS – Continuing Education Program (10b.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the Medic CE proposal totaling \$1,376.55, as presented. Motion carried.

A/Z – Board of Appeals Resignation (10c.): Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to accept, with regret, Bonnie Filizetti-Hartzell’s Letter of Resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Supervisor Boogren acknowledged her 48 years of service to the Township. Motion carried.

FD – Hire Fire Fighter (10d.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Armatti, to approve rehiring Fire Fighter Bruce Nyquist. Motion carried.

Recreation Committee – Gwinn Trails Development Plan (10e.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Adams, to approve the Gwinn Trails Development Plan, as presented. Discussion ensued. Bryce Hattamer clarified the three steps detailed in the plan. He also explained the trail would be accessible to people with varying abilities. Attorney Marin stated she was on the Board for the Noquemanon Trail Network (NTN). Mr. Hattamer stated they may partner with the NTN. Clerk Borrett said the plan was unanimously approved by the Recreation Committee. Motion carried.

Upper Michigan Ice Racing Association 2021 Schedule (10f.): Motion by Adams, supported by Boogren, to approve the Upper Michigan Ice Racing Association’s 2021 Schedule, as presented. Trustee Adams acknowledged two night races. Motion carried.

W/S Committee – 225 N. High St. (and 185 N. Tamarac St.) (10g.): Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to approve the recommendations of the Water/Sewer Committee with respect to properties at 225 N. High Street and 185 N. Tamarac Street. Motion carried.

PD – Purchase Body Cams (10h.): Motion by Adams, supported by Borrett, to approve the Police Department purchasing 4 Body Cam’s for \$1,774.00, as presented. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Uniform Traffic Code Ordinance Review (11a.): Supervisor Boogren asked if the Chief of Police or Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police should review the Ordinance. Chief Police Kjellin suggested adopting the current State Code. Supervisor Boogren and Trustee Adams suggested a study to see what would be in the best interest of our Township. Treasurer Roberts, Attorney Marin and Chief Kjellin will meet and report back to the Board. The Board has reviewed this Ordinance.

OLD BUSINESS: None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Boogren stated he received two pieces of correspondence. One was expressing condolences from the Sands Township Board, regarding the death of Fire Fighter Ben Lauren. The other was from Officer Mills expressing the Police Unions wishes to fill the vacant position.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: Clerk Borrett commented on the Trail system. The Board wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July.

Adjournment: Supervisor Boogren adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti
Board Secretary

Michelle Borrett
Forsyth Township Clerk