

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
MARCH 8, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the March 8, 2017 Monthly Meeting to order at 7:00 PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Robert Mantta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/Katie Tormala and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present read over the February 8, 2017 Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes. Marvin **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** Next all present read over the February 8, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Lori **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Kara **motioned** to approve the financial statements as read. **2nd** by Marvin. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid. Marvin **motioned** to pay all bills. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

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Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...Right now the system is running 3 - 4x more than regular per the weather we've been experiencing. When it was warm and raining Jim opened all 4 zones and ran it manually. Now it is back to normal but it will happen again in the spring during melting/raining. All is well otherwise.

Kenner Dome Update: Nothing new to report.

Marvin brought up our annual KEDA membership. The board agreed to keep the KEDA membership and pay the annual dues.

The township WILL be getting new election equipment(voting/tabulator machines)through the State of Michigan but the County Clerk will have the final say on which vendor Houghton County will go with. The machines will be bought by the State of Michigan and it remains to be seen what the mainenance agreement will be.

Marvin attended the local MTA Meeting and found out per Kevin Harju of the Houghton County Road Commission that the entire Houghton Canal Road will be redone in the summer of 2018. No other roads in Stanton Township are mentioned in the Road Commission's five year plan. If any township residents mention that they want oiling done, refer them to Marvin. Also, a new jail will be discussed at the next local MTA Meeting.

Next, the board discussed changing the monthly meeting time. After concluding the discussion, Marvin motioned to change the Monthly Meetings of the Stanton Township Board to 6PM instead of 7PM henceforth. 2nd by Bob. Approved Unan.

Agate Beach Park Update: Per Trustee Bob Mantta...he did research on what it would cost to build permanent new outhouses at Agate Beach Park. First we would have to get a permit from the DEQ. It would be about \$3,000 for two 1500 gal tanks. These tanks would be put in two unisex handicapped accessible outhouses. The toilets for these outhouses would be about \$500 each. Two 40 inch low threshold doors and material would be \$3000. It would be about \$400 in permits. An estimate of \$500 for a backhoe. Bob will do more research and bring the final tally to the April Board Meeting so we can go forward and have this approved. We MUST get permits first.

Lori gave Marvin a survey that was received for the Freda Sewer residents. Marvin will get together with Mary and take care of it.

The Agate Beach sign is ordered from Designotype, per Katie. Kara mentioned that we have received our campground license and must order a campground inspection in the spring.

The BOR is next week.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 and Pct#2: Nothing new to report.

Public Comment Accepted.

Marvin motioned to adjourn at 7:43PM. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan.

Submitted by: 
Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: 
Stanton Township Supervisor
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

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All present read over the March 8, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Marvin motioned to approve the minutes as read. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan.

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to accept the statements as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid. She added an additional bill (paycheck) for Elias Rajala in the amount of \$83.69, the balance that is left in the Kenner Dome Rink Manager salary. This will come out of the General Fund. The payback to the General Fund from the Road fund (money borrowed for Coles Creek Road Paving Project) will be reflected in fiscal year 2016-17 also. Lori **motioned** to pay all bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.** Also, Bob needs to be reimbursed for two permits he paid for out of pocket. One was to the DEQ for \$500 and one was to the WUPHD for \$400. He doesn't have the one from WUPHD yet so Kara will reimburse him for both when she receives both permits.

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Freda Sewer Update: Per Jim Morin...All is going well.

Kenner Dome Update: Per Bob...the Kenner Dome is extremely messy inside so Bob will go and tidy it up and charge the township for his efforts. The room that is shut off and locked from the public that has dangerous materials in it will be cleaned up this summer.

Marvin mentioned that he received a notice from Ward's Husqvarna stating that there is a recall on a chainsaw used by the township. He will find out if it is Cemetery Sexton Brian Riutta's saw.

Agate Beach Update: Per Marvin...he received a letter stating that an extension was received on the Agate Beach Pavilion Grant, so now the project must be complete by the end of September 2017.

Next Bob gave us an update of the proposed permanent outhouses at Agate Beach Park. He reported that he met with a lady from the DEQ who came and looked at the Park with him. She said the project can go forward as permitted. Marvin will sign the permit and send it back to the DEQ. The WUPHD approved the permit for permanent outhouses and said permit should be coming to us soon per Bob. Per Park Caretaker Kathryn Luoma... the test hole was already dug and he has hired Ernie Fraki to come with his backhoe and dig the holes at \$50/hr for the outhouses. The township needs proof of permits first before any work can be started. Next Marvin **motioned** to proceed with the Agate Beach bathroom/permanent outhouse project and to purchase two handicapped accessible toilet risers, not to exceed the amount of \$600 each upon presentation of the bill. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.** All bills pertaining to this project MUST go through the township office!

Kara will call Superior Service to have them put a handicapped accessible porta potty out at the park right now as it will be needed while they work on the permanent outhouses. The park caretaker will be in charge of getting the porta potty pumped out when needed. Bob also mentioned that the fire pits at the park need to be cleaned out ASAP. Bob will take care of this matter and send the township a bill. Bob will also get an estimate from a contractor on finishing the pavilion.

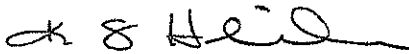
Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...Gary asked the board for approval to buy a fire truck, of which the total cost is \$87,000. The dept. wants to put \$47,000 of their own funds towards the purchase of the 2005 truck and wants approval to take out a \$40,000 loan for the remaining balance. Marvin **motioned** to allow the Toivola Fire Dept. Pct#2 to proceed with the loan procedure with Superior National Bank & Trust Co. to finance \$40,000. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** Gary was also given the go ahead by the board to pursue the dept.'s light project. He also mentioned that the dept. has a benefactor who wants to donate land to the dept. He said they don't really need the land donated so they will look into selling it.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...The dept. will be holding their Annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 13, 2017 from 7AM - NOON.

Public Comment Accepted.

The 2nd Annual Paddle Festival will be held on September 9, 2017. The sponsors of this event want to know if they can use the township boat launch as the starting point for this festival. They will bring in their own porta potties and would like to park semi trailers at the launch to hold competitors paddle boats the night before the race. They will remove the trailers as soon as the boats are launched and will clean up after themselves, including all garbage.

Marvin motioned to adjourn to meeting at 7:09PM. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan.

Submitted by:  Approved by: 
Kara Heinonen, Clerk Stanton Township Supervisor
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

MAY 10, 2017

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Toivola Recreation Center. Board members present: Trustee/Bob Mantta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/Katie Tormala and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present read over the April 12, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Lori **motioned** to approve the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Kara **motioned** to accept the financial statements as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid. Marvin **motioned** to pay all bills. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

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*Board member Marvin Heinonen **motioned** to pass a resolution giving permission to the Toivola Fire Dept. to purchase a 2005 Darley Mini-Pumper Fire Apparatus/Vehicle and related equipment from the Eagle River Area Fire Department in an amount not to exceed \$87,500, and to enter into an installment purchase agreement to finance the purchase of said property with Superior National Bank. **2nd** by Bob and **Approved Unan** on a **Roll Call Vote: 5 AYES 0 NAYS**

Freda Sewer Update: Per Jim Morin...There were two bad weeks this month on account of the pump quitting. Jim bought a new pump and replaced the old one with the new one himself. Now all is back to normal.

Roads Update: The road commission sent a letter to Marvin stating that if any Stanton Township residents want their road oiled they must call the road commission to get on their list. They will only oil in June of 2017 and will send a tanker to the township for one day. They will actually use calcium chloride, not oil. Bob has checked and maintained all of our road signs in the township and has found that two road signs have been stolen. He will call Bill Dunstan to check on the status of our Boat Launch sign. Marvin will order any new signs that are needed and he will call the Road Commission to have them grade the N. Canal Park road. Kara will call the N. Canal Park caretakers to let them know that they need to start park cleanup for the season.

Shore Waves Internet Provider Update: Shore waves sent a current insurance certificate to the township for filing.

Michigan Assn. of Township Supervisors is holding a Summit Education Conference in Marquette in June. Marvin will attend after receiving pre-approval from the board.

Agate Beach Update: *Toilets...*by the time the board meets again in June the toilet project will be done, but he warned the board that the bathroom board is going to cost more than expected. *Park...*The water at the Park has been tested and it passed and camping has started already. Bob will put up the new Agate Beach Campground sign and he will charge mileage for all of his trips to the park. *Pavilion...*Dan Coponen will be giving an estimate for finishing the pavilion and will bring it to the June board meeting. The chimney flashing needs repairs as there is water on the floor from a roof leak.

Superior Service Update: Kara will call them and let them know that the Kenner Dome toilets need to be pumped out. She will also request that they do not pump out the baseball field toilets in the evening when the field is in use, only in the morning!

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...Just a reminder that the Annual Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast is this Saturday, May 13, 2017! Mike also mentioned that the water line between the township hall and the fire hall is all plumbed in now so it needs to be turned on from inside the township hall as they want to use the water for the pancake breakfast. Their annual meeting to elect officers went well and all officers stayed the same.

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...K Triple A(Anthony Lampinen)did a great job on their fire hall! Their Annual Road Cleanup is this Saturday, May 13, 2017 and all are welcome to attend! Gary will give Lori a sum of money in check form to put towards their fire truck purchase. He also mentioned that August 20, 2017 is their Annual Children's Fun Day and they may have a chicken barbecue at the same time!

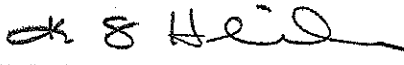
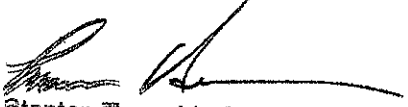
*Lori mentioned that Range Bank has offered to donate a large wooden desk to the township hall if we could use it. We do not need it, but thank them for their generous offer! Lori also mentioned that she would be attending a **MMTA** meeting in Marquette in June.

*Katie mentioned that a party is interested in being a permanent summer vendor at the Agate Beach Concession Stand from Memorial Day through Labor Day. We would need an inspection of the septic system from the Health Dept. first. Katie will talk with the interested party and discuss our requirements with them.

*Kara will get a township insurance quote from a local insurance agency, Hannula Insurance Agency. The Michigan Municipal League (MML) whom we have our township insured through, is no longer being serviced by our current provider, City Insurance. She also mentioned that we will be getting new voting machines this year, but not in time for the August 8, 2017 Special Election.

Public Comment Accepted.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by:  Approved by: 
Kara Heinonen, Clerk Stanton Township Supervisor
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
JUNE 14, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Bob Mantta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/Katie Tormala and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present read over the May 10, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Lori **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to pass the financial statements as read. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid. Lori **motioned** to pay all bills as approved. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Freda Sewer Update: The sewer system is running well, the new pump is handling it. Jim repaired the old pump and will use it for a spare.

Township Hall Furnace Update: Per Timmer Loukus of Aire Care...the furnace at the township hall is on its way out. A new furnace will cost around \$2000 installed. Marvin will talk to Timmer to get it done.

Roads Update: All of the new road signs came in and Bob installed them. The N. Canal Park road and the road to Agate Beach will be graded soon, according to Kevin Harju of the Houghton County Road Commission. Also, the board received a letter from township resident Bruce Barna. He inquired about getting Blue Top Cabin Road paved. Marvin told him that there will be nothing done with roads for at least two years. Marvin also met with John Paul Pietila of TES to see if we can get the property marked on Bayshore Rd. John Paul said he will re-stake it.

Auditor Update: The township has hired Joseph Daavettila as their new auditor.

N. Canal Park Update: The park caretaker will get prices on push mowers before purchasing a mower for the N. Canal Park. A new mower = No rental fees for the township.

Boat Launch Update: Per Marvin...Four kids were caught destroying property at the boat launch. They will not be prosecuted this time, but they must pay restitution and clean up the property that they wrecked. If it happens again, the township will prosecute.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Fire Chief Mike Pionke gave Marvin a list with a couple of budget amendments that are needed. Marvin will add those to his list of budget amendments for the next meeting in July. Mike also told the board that John Stone is the new training officer for the fire department and that they are starting their kitchen remodel next month. Once the kitchen is finished they will redo the bathrooms. Mike also announced that the annual Copper Country Firefighters Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2017 in South Range.

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra told the board that the new fire truck they just purchased needs a new computer. Eagle River Fire Dept., the entity where the truck was purchased from, will send \$1500 to help pay for the new computer.

Agate Beach Campground Update: Per Marvin...a person called inquiring about camping fees. He told them that they must pay a daily fee for every day their camper/campsite is occupied. If campers don't comply, they will be towed.

Agate Beach Park Update:

Toilets: Per Bob Mantta...Just the inside board on the new outhouses needs to be finished. Kara will call to have all portable toilets removed by June 26, 2017. No one else may order portable toilets but Kara, if needed. She will make sure there are no portable toilets at N. Canal Park also and will check and make sure there IS one at the boat launch. The Kenner Dome portable toilets will only be pumped on request from the caretaker there.

Pavilion: The township received a bid from Dan Coponen for \$5,000 to finish off the pavilion. Marvin will consult with John Paul of TES and have him check out the bid. Bob Mantta will call Jon Arens to fix the roof leak.

Park: Gary Hoekstra said they need a couple of loads of gravel for the Agate Beach Park entrance. The board said they can purchase the gravel.

Election Update: Per Kara...there WILL be an election this year after all. The CCISD is having a Special Election on Aug. 8, 2017. Marvin will add this budget amendment to his list for category 1192sse in the General Fund from \$0 to \$5,000. The CCISD will reimburse the township for all costs after the election.

Public Comment Accepted.

*There is an interested party in concessions@Agate Beach Park. The interested party reported that the Health Dept. said the septic needs to be opened up and inspected for this to happen. The water for concessions is good, but there is not enough volume to pass inspection and a new well would be needed. Even though concessions would benefit both the park and the township, the board will not go forward with this right now as it would be too costly. A discussion

ensued from concerned park and campground attendees that the campground isn't being run properly. It would benefit the park to find a campground host who would collect the money from the campers and evict non-paying campers. Trailers that are unoccupied or not paid for will be towed. Marvin will get the key for the money post from Lenny for Lori and she will collect the money from the post from now on. It was also mentioned that the Agate Beach Park road is crumbling.

*The Liminga Cemetery needs gravel.

*The BOR meeting will be on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 5:00PM and will be PRE's only. Kara will post this on the township web site.

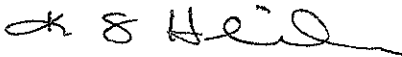
*AMAR Update...There will be a meeting with AMAR on July 12, 2017 at 10:00AM at the Houghton County Courthouse.

*The Honor Roll sign at the old township hall will be moved to the new township hall by Brian Riutta and Bob Mantta as soon as possible.

*Lori asked for and got pre-approved to order a sign from Designotype that says, "Non-Paying Campers Will Be Towed." Marvin **motioned** to have Lori purchase a sign, not to exceed \$300, for Agate Beach Park Campground to say, "Non-Paying Campers Will Be Towed." **2nd** by Katie.
Approved Unan.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:31PM. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Approved by:



Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Submitted by:



Stanton Township Supervisor

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

First there are a few things worth mentioning right off the bat. First, the Toivola roof leak has been fixed. Second, Cemetery Caretaker Brian Riutta has a mower for N. Canal Park Caretaker Cory Dunstan to use so he doesn't have to use his own. Third, Marvin will get estimates from three different people on the cost of replacing the new township hall's furnace and he will bring them to the next meeting. Marvin also mentioned that he went to a Supervisor's Conference in Marquette in June. He found out that with an ordinance, the board can evict campers who have not paid to stay at Agate Beach Campground. However, he will call the township attorney to make sure our ordinance stands. He also learned that we can call MTA for any questions we have regarding township issues. He will call them to see if they can also help us with township legal issues.

Marvin presented a list of budget amendments(see attached). Marvin then **motioned** to amend the budgets as presented. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Agate Beach Park Update: Marvin talked to John Paul Pietila of TES about the bid from Dan Coponen to finish the pavilion. Marvin will also call to get a bid from David Sleeman. The Agate Beach Recreation Fund monies will be used to pay for this as it is in-kind grant money. The campground will need a host for next year (2018) if anyone knows an interested party. The hosting can either be done by month or the whole camping season. We do have an Agate Beach Ordinance (1978) on file and it states all the rules and regulations. We will keep it as is and Katie will post it at Agate Beach as soon as possible. Marvin will talk to MTA tomorrow to make sure our ordinance is legal for towing illegal campers.

Toivola Cemetery Update: Caretaker Bob Mantta was approached by a person who purchased four cemetery lots a while back, but doesn't want them anymore and is wondering if they can be sold back to the township for the amount that they were originally purchased for. Marvin will call MTA once again to find out the answer.

Township Insurance Update: Kara is meeting with Mark Mitchell to give him the paperwork he requested concerning a Workman's Compensation Audit. She is also meeting with Judy from the MML(Township's Insurer)to address the changing of agents that occurred recently. We will no longer be working with Buzz Tiseo from City Insurance and Judy will introduce Kara to the new agent and is willing to discuss any concerns we have about the change.

Fire Fund Pct#1 Liminga Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...The Fire Dept. has hired contractors for a couple of improvements at the fire hall.

Fire Fund Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...The Fire Dept. will be hosting Fun Day on August 20, 2017 in Toivola and all are welcome! Come on out and eat chicken!! Gary also mentioned that a Pomasl bill will be coming in the mail for truck stuff so Kara will keep an eye out for it.

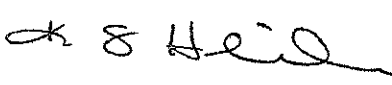

Public Comment Accepted.

The rebar at the Agate Beach Park boat launch needs cutting again and Lori will talk to Lenny about getting that done. There is a legitimate concern about campers in the rustic area stealing power by running their cords under the road and hooking into the concession stand. It was suggested that the breakers be thrown. Or to put a separate meter in the concession stand and

to shut off the power to the stand when it is not in use. It was also suggested to consider going to rustic camping only for next year's camping season. A question was raised whether or not money can be raised for Agate Beach improvements and put into the Agate Beach Rec Fund account. The answer is yes.

Hats off to Bob Mantta and Brian Riutta for transferring the Honor Roll Memorial from the old township hall to the new one and for making it look so awesome!!

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:01PM. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

 Submitted by: _____ Kara Heinonen, Clerk	 Approved by: _____ Stanton Township Supervisor Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor
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STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
AUGUST 7, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marv Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Bob Mantta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marv Heinonen, Trustee/Katie Tormala and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

Meeting Minutes: All present read over the meeting minutes from the July 12, 2017 monthly meeting. Marv **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Financial Statements: Lori read the financial statements. Marv **motioned** to approve the financial statements as read. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Bills: Kara presented bills to be paid, with three being added. Two are from the General Fund(Ward's Husqvarna\$33.75 & MTA\$444)and one is from the Pct#1 Liminga Fire Fund(Remy Battery\$120). Lori **motioned** to accept all bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Katie. **Approve Unan.**

Freda Sewer: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...The sewer was inspected on June 26, 2017 on its 10th anniversary by a compliance officer from the World Water Association. He said the system looks good and was very impressed with Jim and Barb's reports! The officer told Jim that we can pay more than our payment is or we can pay the sewer off if we so desire. Marv mentioned that we need to train someone to do Jim's job so we have backup. Jim did find a leak in the mound system, but fixed it right away. The board would like to thank Jim & Barb for all of their hard work in maintaining the Freda Sewer system!!

Furnace Bid: The township received two bids on a new furnace plus a cold air return, one from Byron(\$2,940) and one from KTripleA(\$3,100). The board agreed to go with KTripleA as they are from the township. Marv **motioned** to hire KTripleA to put in the new furnace and cold air return at the township hall. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** Marvin will call Byron's to tell them they didn't get the bid.

Agate Beach Pavilion: Two contractor's gave bids to finish the pavilion project at Agate Beach Park. David Sleeman was the low bid at \$4500, with Dan Coponen coming in 2nd

at \$4870. David Sleeman stated in his bid that the project would be finished by 9/1/17. Lori **motioned** to hire David Sleeman Contracting to finish the pavilion at Agate Beach Park. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Also, the township's attorney Laura Reilly reviewed our eviction for non payment policy at Agate Beach Park & Campground. According to her our policy stands as is. Marv **motioned** to have in the park rules that anybody that doesn't pay their camping fee or if they are parked or tenting in an undesignated camping site, they will be towed away within 48 hours at the owner's expense. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

There has been an inquiry as to if the electric service at Agate Beach Campground is up to code. It was reported that some of the camp site's power poles do not work. Bob will check it out.

Roads: Bob will put up the new road signs we have received as soon as possible.

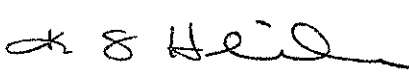

Toivola Cemetery: Lori **motioned** for the township to buy 4 cemetery lots in the Toivola Cemetery back from Bill Balma of Toivola at the original price. **2nd** by Marv. **Approved Unan.**

Pct#1 Liminga Fire Dept.: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...The new roof is on the fire hall. The new water heater is in and the kitchen is being remodeled. There will be new lights in the kitchen, new drywall with a washable surface, new stainless steel sinks and cabinets. The kitchen will be operational by the end of September deadline. After that is finished they will put in new and better bathrooms.

A few noteworthy items: Melissa Kangas is Lori's new Deputy Treasurer. There is an Special Election tomorrow. The September meeting is at the Agate Beach Pavilion at 6PM. Liminga Cemetery needs more gravel.

Public Comment Accepted.

Marv **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:47PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

	
Submitted by: _____	Approved by: _____
Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Stanton Township Supervisor Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
SEPTEMBER 13, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
@AGATE BEACH PAVILION

Roll call was taken.

All present read over the August 7, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Lori **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to approve the statements as read. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with three bills being added from the General Fund. The first bill is from the Toivola Cemetery in the amount of \$728.97 made to Bill or Nancy Balma for the buy back of a cemetery plot. The second bill is from assessor Chuck Mannisto in the amount of \$100 for the reimbursement of a registration fee for a U.P.A.A. continuing education class Chuck paid for. The third bill is from the township board in the amount of \$980 made out to the Postmaster for stamps. Lori **motioned** to pay all bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

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Freda Sewer Update: Nothing new to report, all is well.

MTA Update: Lori, Marvin, and Kara will be attending the annual MTA conference in Houghton on Sept. 18, 2017.

Roads Update: Bob Mantta put up the Miller Rd. sign and he will be doing sign repairs in Toivola for any signs that are down. Marvin will order any signs that need to be replaced.

Audit Report: Marvin reported that Lake Accounting finally turned over our property that our current auditor needs to go forward with the audit. Marvin will ask new auditor Joe Daavettala for an update as there is a deadline to send the audit into the state.

Agate Beach Pavilion Project Update: Dave Sleeman Contracting finished the project so Kara will pay the contractor for the job as was stated earlier. Any extra material can be stored inside the storage building at Agate Beach.

Township Hall Furnace Update: The new furnace is installed and running great!

Assessing Update: Marvin heard from the State of Michigan on the Audit Review(AMAR)that was conducted and completed for the township and it passed and won't be revisited until 2020. Also, the U.P.A.A. wants to use our hall again for training on Jan. 16, 2018. Mary will tell them that we will agree to that arrangement if our BOR members can attend for free again.

BSA Training: Lori will attend BSA Training in Marquette on Oct. 25, 2017.

Election Update: Kara will submit an election reimbursement to the CCISD for the August 8, 2017 Special Election.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: The fire hall renovating is well underway. The electric is roughed in, the drywall is hung and the floor tile is coming tomorrow but the washable wall board is not up yet. The dept. is in need of medical first responders(they need back up responders)so get the word out as the class starts next week on Sept. 21st and meets on Tues. & Thurs. from Sept. 25 - Dec. 19th.

Public Comment Accepted.

*The electrical at the Toivola Rec Center may have to be re-done as there is a problem with it. This project can be done with monies from the Toivola Rec Fund.

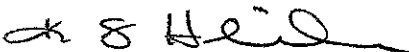
*It was mentioned that our website has the wrong meeting time on it. Kara will fix!

*It was also mentioned that the new bathrooms at Agate Beach campground are NOT handicapped accessible as you cannot get a wheelchair in and turned around inside of them with the door shut. We will wait to see what the health dept. says when they come out to do a campground inspection. If it doesn't meet their criteria, we may need an additional bathroom that IS handicapped accessible.

*It was also mentioned that we could post an ad for a campground host on our township website. This item is tabled until next spring.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:32PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by: _____



Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: _____



Stanton Township Supervisor
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
OCTOBER 11, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

All present read over the September 7, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Marvin **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to approve the statements as read. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with a few bills being added. The first bill is from Dave's Service in the amount of \$100 for a wrecker service charge. The second bill is from Jana Underwood, who needs reimbursement for the computer work she did for us for the Liminga Cemetery. The rest of the bills are from UPPCO for all of our township accounts. Lori **motioned** to pay all bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...we are in good shape and he will do some winterizing shortly here. So far he has not had any luck in finding someone to learn his job as backup.

Roads Update: Per Bob Mantta...all is well with our road signs as of now.

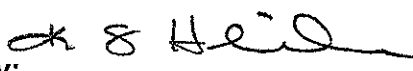
Agate Beach Pavilion Project: The project is done. The campground was inspected by the DEQ and it passed.

*Lori mentioned that the parties are starting again at Redridge behind the dam. The big boulders that were placed there by Anderson Excavating have been pushed aside once again giving vehicles access. We will proceed with hiring Anderson Excavating to block the road with boulders once again.

Public Comment Accepted.

DEQ Public Notice for Tom Logue Proposed Project: Per Supervisor Marvin Heinonen...He read the letter from Linda Hansen of the DEQ verbatim(see township website). Mary has a list of the people that the letter allegedly went out to, but some lakeshore residents have not received the letter from Tom Logue with his stated intentions. After Marvin read the letter a discussion of the matter ensued by residents as they are very concerned how the dredging is going to do to affect their shoreline. The letter stated the rules on how to proceed with a public hearing, which is the recommended next step. Marvin will submit a letter to the DEQ requesting a hearing on behalf of the residents of the township. All of the lakeshore residents must submit their own letters also. Kara will post the DEQ Public Notice for Tom Logue Proposed Project on the township website asap.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:47PM. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unani.**

Submitted by: 
Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: 
~~Stanton Township Supervisor~~
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
NOVEMBER 8, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

All present read over the October 11, 2017 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Marvin **motioned** to accept the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to approve the statements as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with three bills being added. The first bill is from Get-Er-Done Landscaping & Mobile Welding in the amount of \$350 for the Toivola Rec Center tree and brush removal. The second bill being added is from Festival Foods(the amount is not tallied yet as there are several different accounts)and the third bill being added is from Linda Neumann in the amount of \$193.99 for reimbursement for a water heater that she purchased at Menard's for the Toivola Rec Center. Marv **motioned** to pay all bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...all is well and he is still trying to find someone to train to do his job in case of an emergency.

Freda Lakeshore Dredging Information: Linda Hansen of the DEQ has told Marvin that the gentleman trying to get dredging rights for the dredging of an estimated 33,528,422 cubic yards of stamp sands waterward of the Ordinary High Water Mark of Lake Superior has agreed to a public hearing next spring. The area in which this dredging is proposed extends along the Lake Superior shoreline from the village of Freda (north side of mouth of Graveraet River) on the southwest end up to the south seawall of the North Portage Entry on the northeast end (a total length of 69,485 feet). The notices for the hearing will go out in the spring and the hearing will most likely be held at Michigan Tech. Nothing will happen until spring.

*Marvin mentioned that there are people from Finland representing a large newspaper who are coming to Stanton Township next week as they are interested in our large Finnish population. There will be an accompanying photographer with whoever comes. Marvin pointed them in the direction of the Finnish Heritage Center in Hancock as they want to visit with Finnish families and they have the resources to do that. Marvin will get more information on the visit and will try to arrange a meet-and-greet in the township, either here at the Township Hall or at the Stanton Township School.

*Marvin also had John Paul Pietila and Chad Kangas of Traverse Engineering recheck the property line for Stanton Township on Bayshore Rd. There is a property owner that has buildings on township property and Marv will send a letter to said residents to let them know that they must remove their buildings from the property.

*Kara received a paper for Marv from the State of Michigan concerning the audit. Marv will read the paper and proceed accordingly. Marv will check on the Township Audit progress to see what still needs to be done, get copies of the audit and to get our paperwork back from them.

*The board was approached about starting a Facebook page but this subject was tabled for now.

*It was suggested that the board post on the township website that they are actively seeking a campground host.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...Firefighter I and Firefighter II Training will be conducting classes and drills at the Fire Hall between December 2017 and April 2018. John Stone will be teaching classes and there will be money coming in from other jurisdictions to pay fees for the classes. Classes will be held in several jurisdictions. Also, Mike will take care of the Charter Communications change of address and he also stated that the DNR Tanker at Bekkala's Diesel Repair is almost done!

Public Comment Accepted.

The BOR will meet on December 12, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Kara will post a notice in three places.

Mary told the board that the state is changing the way a home is appraised. Hence, the computers that Chuck and Mary use will need new programs, as theirs were purchased in 2003 and will not suffice for the new programs that are coming. Mary will call Paul Raymond (he has been our computer guru) and see what he recommends. We will need to put money in the budget for new assessing computers.

Marv **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unani.**

Submitted by:  Approved by: 
Kara Heinonen, Clerk Stanton Township Supervisor
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
DECEMBER 13, 2017
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/Katie Tormala and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta was not in attendance.

All present read over the monthly meeting minutes from Nov. 8, 2017. Marvin **motioned** to approve the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the financial statements. Katie **motioned** to approve the financial statements as read. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.** Also, it was noted at this time, that by the end of this fiscal year the road fund must pay back the general fund \$60,000 that is owed from the Coles Creek Road Project.

Kara presented bills to be paid. Lori **motioned** to pay all bills. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

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Next, on a **motion** by Marvin, the board set the 2018 Monthly Meeting Schedule(See attached). **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

The board also set the budget work session meetings and the Truth in Taxation & Truth in Budgeting Meeting. Marvin **motioned** to hold the first budget work session meeting on Jan. 3, 2018@5:00PM at the township hall and the second budget work session meeting will be held on Jan. 17, 2018@5:00PM at the township hall and the annual Truth in Taxation & Truth in Budgeting meeting will be held on Feb. 14, 2018@5:00PM at the township hall, an hour before the regular monthly board meeting. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.**

Freda Sewer Update: Per sanitation engineer Jim Morin...the system just experienced a 13 hour power outage. When the power came back on and he brought the system back up, only half of the software came up. A friend of Jim's in San Diego CA was able to help Jim out by

fixing it. The outage caused other problems that Jim will fix. Jim will change the filters and figure out the pump problems he's been having. The system is slowly coming back, but doggone it, those power outages sure cause a lot of issues!!

BOR Update: Mary is looking into dates for the BOR in March and she will give Kara info. to put on the website when she does.

Audit Update: The board members have received copies of the Audit that was done by auditor Joe Daavettila.

*The board will give the temporary renters upstairs until the end of this month(December 31st)to find another place to rent. Marvin will tell them in person and give them notice by letter.

N. Canal Park Update: Marvin will check with the park caretakers to see if they locked up N. Canal Park for the season.

*Marvin received a letter from John Britz who is interested in growing medical marijuana in the township. He wants to come and make a presentation to the board sometime during the winter or spring of 2018. He will buy land in the township if the board approves marijuana growth.

*Next Marvin stated that he has sent Dan Barton of Bayshore Rd. a letter stating that he has some of his stuff sitting on township land. Dan replied that he will comply with moving his stuff on to his own land, no problem!

*Lynn Grego, a township resident, called to report that Grego Rd. is really called Kyllonen Rd. If she is serious about pursuing this name change, she will have to go through Roy Britz of the Houghton County Sheriff's Dept.

Agate Beach Rec Fund: The monies in this account must be moved to a different account as we will be charged a \$6 per month service charge for the low balance. Gary Hoekstra will ask in Toivola what should be done with this account.

Resolution Info: Lori **motioned** for the board to adopt a resolution that states that a 3% late penalty charge will be impressed upon any taxes collected after Feb. 14, 2018. **2nd** by Marvin and **Approved Unan** on a **ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 AYES 0 NAYS**

Kenner Dome Update: Marvin will call Marty to ask him if he and his family will work on the Kenner Dome Ice Rink again this year as the caretakers.

Dredging Update: Landowners on the proposed dredging site will be notified of a public hearing/meeting.

Public Comment Accepted.

Pct#2 Update: Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra asked the board if they can hire someone to install the new water heater that they purchased for the Toivola Rec Center. The answer is yes, but get an estimate first of the cost of the job. If it comes back that it is \$200 or less, go for it! He also asked how much a person will be paid that plows out the rec center and fire hall. The board agreed that \$25 per time is fair. Gary also asked if the fire dept. could sell their inherited property. The board agreed that they can do anything they want to do with that property as the board doesn't have anything to do with it.

Pct#1 Update: Fire Chief Mike Pionke needs to file a deer/vehicle claim. Also, the class that is being held at the firehall is open to all people. Ho Co has 3 active instructor's now in Dan Sarazin, Jon Stone and John Mattila. So far there has been one class held. On a different note, the tanker is still ALMOST done. It needs a paint job next. Mike also thanked the board for generously letting the Puuri family stay in the apartment above the township offices after their home had a fire.

Lori will instruct our plow guy Paul Hietala in what the township hall parking lot needs on a given day.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:19PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by: _____

Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: _____

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
JANUARY 3, 2018
BUDGET WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the Budget Work Session of the Stanton Township Board to order at 5:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta and Trustee/Katie Tormala were not present.

The board started off the work session with the sewer fund budget. After significant discussion, they came up with a new budget. Next they worked on the road fund budget and came away with a budget shortly thereafter. The fire fund pct#2 budget came next, and with no input from the dept. they came up with a budget going off of prior budgets. Last of all the board worked on fire fund pct#1's budget. Fire Chief Mike Pionke was present at the meeting and presented his 2018-2019 proposed budget to the board. A budget was created for Pct#1 and the budget work session came to a close with budgets made for all funds except the general fund. The board will work on the general fund budget at the next budget meeting, which is scheduled for January 17, 2018@5PM, and will fine tune any of the other budgets that need it at that time.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 8:31PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by: _____

Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: _____


Stanton Township Supervisor

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
JANUARY 10, 2018
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Bob Mantta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marv Heinonen, Trustee/Katie Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present read over the meeting minutes from the Jan. 3, 2018 Budget Work Session Meeting. Lori **motioned** to approve the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Katie. **Approved Unan.** Next all present read over the meeting minutes from the Dec. 13, 2017 Monthly Board Meeting. Lori **motioned** to approve the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Marvin. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to accept the financial statements as read. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with one being added on a **motion** by Lori, **2nd** by Marvin and **Approved Unan** from the General Fund in the amount of \$107,153.95 made out to Rural Development to pay off the Freda Sewer System. By doing so we save \$100,000. The residents in turn will pay off the General Fund. Marvin also **motioned** to approve and pay the bill in the amount of \$225 from the General Fund for an ad with Mapping Solutions in the 2018 Plat Book. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.** Our ad will remain the same, with the exception of our new address, and we will receive a complimentary plat book from Mapping Solutions. Marvin then **motioned** for up to three people to attend BOR Training this year. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** Finally, Lori **motioned**, **2nd** by Bob to approve all bills as **amended.** **Approved Unan.**

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...Sewer system is working very good right now! The pump is fixed and is working great! Still in the process of finding someone to become a backup for Jim.

Kenner Dome Update: Marty Rajala and son Elias Rajala will share the caretaking duties at the Kenner Dome again this year. They will inform Kara when the toilets need pumping. They MUST keep up on shoveling out the snow dump door once a week.

Township Hall Upstairs Apartment Update: Renters are gone.

*Just a reminder that the U.P.A.A. meeting will be held here on Tues. the 16th from 8-12 PM and 1-4 PM. The township will provide the coffee, water and doughnuts and will be reimbursed by the state for these items. The plowing must be done by 7:30AM on this day!

Budget Amendments: Motion by Marvin and 2nd by Lori to pass these budget amendments. Approved Unan.

1342rt from \$3,000 to \$6,000 (Toivola Fire Dept.)
1444j from \$1,000 to \$1,500 (Roads)
1342t from \$12,265 to \$17,000 (Liminga Fire Dept.)

Next, on a motion by Marvin, 2nd by Kara and Approved Unan. the board passed a Resolution for the collection and payment of sewer bills. Whereas there is a need for the Stanton Township Board to adopt a resolution/policy for collection/payment of sewer bills in the town of Freda, MI. These payments will be payable monthly for sewer costs to the Stanton Township General Fund. Therefore let it be resolved that the Stanton Township Board approves the adoption of said resolution/policy. **Roll call vote: 5 AYES 0 NAYS**

The board accepted Trustee/Katie Tormala's resignation with regret. There will be a Special Meeting on Monday, Jan. 15, 2018 at 9:00 AM at the Township Hall to hire a new Trustee.

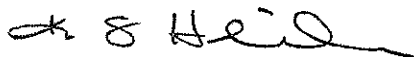
Kara motioned to stop paying Assessor Chuck Mannisto on the 1st of each month and instead pay him at the monthly board meeting the same time as everybody else. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...this past month they were called out on two chimney fires and a meth lab fire. Mike needs some insurance info from Kara on a couple of accidents they had. The dept. is applying for a grant with a 5% match.

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Garry Hoekstra...they had one fire this past month. Gary also has some insurance questions for Kara. As for the Agate Beach Rec Fund monies(\$592.79), leave the money there until spring(Per Garry)and they will deal with it then.

Public Comment Accepted.

Marvin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:47PM. 2nd by Bob. Approved Unan.



Submitted by: _____
Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: 
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
JANUARY 15, 2018
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

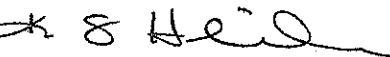
Roll call was taken.

Clerk/Kara Heinonen called the special meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 9:00 AM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Bob Manta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Supervisor Marvin Heinonen was not in attendance.

There were four applicants for the Trustee position. Bob, Kara and Lori looked over the applications for trustee that the township received. After a short discussion, Bob **motioned** to appoint applicant John Mattila for the position of Trustee. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Lori **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 AM. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by: _____



Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: _____



Stanton Township Supervisor

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
JANUARY 17, 2018
BUDGET WORK SESSION MEETING

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the Budget Work Session Meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 5:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Lori Anderson/Treasurer, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/John Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta was not in attendance.

The board discussed the needs for the 2017-2018 General Fund Budget then crunched numbers and created a budget. All of the other budgets were already created at the last budget work session meeting on Jan. 3, 2018, so the board reviewed each of those and found them satisfactory. The budgets are now ready for the Truth & Taxation Meeting on Feb. 14, 2018.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:16PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

 Submitted by: _____ Kara Heinonen, Clerk	 Approved by: _____ Stanton Township Supervisor Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor
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STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
FEBRUARY 14, 2018
BUDGET HEARING MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the Budget Hearing Meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 5:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/John Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta was not in attendance.

Copies of the proposed **2018-2019 Budget** were available to the public before the meeting. Supervisor Marvin Heinonen gave a brief overview of each of the budgets being presented to all attending the meeting. After public discussion, the board agreed to approve each budget as presented by a roll call vote.

Marvin **motioned** to approve the Fire Fund Pct#1 2018-19 Budget as presented. **2nd** by Lori.

Approved on a roll call vote: 4 AYES.

Marvin **motioned** to approve the Fire Fund Pct#2 2018-19 Budget as presented. **2nd** by Lori.

Approved on a roll call vote: 4 AYES.

Marvin **motioned** to approve the Sewer Fund 2018-19 Budget as presented. **2nd** by Lori.

Approved on a roll call vote: 4 AYES.

Marvin **motioned** to approve the Roads Fund 2018-19 Budget as presented. **2nd** by Lori.

Approved on a roll call vote: 4 AYES.

Marvin **motioned** to approve the General Fund 2018-19 Budget as presented. **2nd** by John.

Approved on a roll call vote: 4 AYES.

Public Comment Accepted.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 5:10PM. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by: _____

Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: _____

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
FEBRUARY 14, 2018
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the Monthly Meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Bob Mantta, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/John Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present read over the January 10, 2018 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Lori **motioned** to accept the minutes as read. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.** All present read over the January 15, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes. Marvin **motioned** to accept the minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** All present read over the January 17, 2018 Budget Work Session Meeting Minutes. Lori **motioned** to accept the minutes as **amended.** **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to pass the Financial Statements as read. **2nd** by John. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid. Lori **motioned** to approve all bills as presented. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

The board formally welcomed new Trustee/John Mattila to the board!

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...this was a good month, no problems cropped up. The board let Jim know that his detailed reports are greatly appreciated!! Also, the board received a proposal from Lucas Patrick of OHM Engineering in terms of a backup/replacement person should Jim ever want to retire. There will be no decision made right now on a replacement plan for Jim.

Kenner Dome Update: Things are looking good at the ice rink. The toilets are frozen at the moment and will be pumped in the spring. The no sticks and pucks rule during public skating WILL be enforced!

Marvin mentioned that John Sewell is requesting a conveyance resolution that he wants the board to pass. Marvin had the township attorney look at what he sent. He thinks it is a standard request. This will be table until further notice. Marvin also said that he contacted KTripleA Plumbing to shut off the water heater in the upstairs apartment at the township hall.

Budget Update: Marvin read a list of 2017-18 Budget Amendments that Kara needs to amend the current budget(see attached). Marvin **motioned** to accept the 2017-18 budget amendments as presented. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

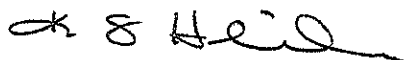
The annual KEDA Dues are coming due and the board agreed that we still want to be a part of this organization. Marvin **motioned** to pay the KEDA dues. **2nd** by Bob. **Approved Unan.**

Lori mentioned that an acre of land owned by Agnes Karkkainen and adjoining the township hall parcel is for sale for fair market value. Is the board interested in purchasing this land? The board is interested so Lori will call and ask what price they are asking for the land. Lori also noted that taxes are due today!

Public Comment Accepted.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:31PM. **2nd** by John. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by: _____



Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by: _____


Stanton Township Supervisor

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

April 11, 2018

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Clerk Kara Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:00 PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Board member present: Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Trustee/John Mattila, Trustee/ Bob Matta, and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present read over the meeting minutes from the March 14, Monthly Board Meeting. John motioned to approve the meeting minutes as read. 2nd by Bob. Approved Unan.

Lori read the Financial Statements. Kara motioned to accept the financial statements as read. 2nd by John. Approved Unan.

Kara presented Bills to be paid. It was decided to hold Hannula's payment until rebilled. Lori motioned to pay the bills. 2nd by Bob. Approved Unan.

Freda Sewer Update: One pump was not running correct. Jim has it fixed. Spring runoff will affect the readings.

Kenner Dome Update: The ice is still in good condition. More hours are being requested due to the longer season and the lights being repaired. The Board granted an additional 20 hours for this season.

A Notice of Public Hearing on the proposed stamp sand dredge will be held on May 1, 2018 at 6 pm to 9pm at the MTU MUB. John will try to attend the hearing.

Marv requested the May meeting be moved to May 2nd at 6:00pm in the Toivola Rec Center. Lori motioned to move the meeting date. 2nd by Kara. Approved Unan. Kara will post the meeting date change.

Fire Dept Pct #1 Update: A Pancake Breakfast is planned for May 12, 2018. They would like to use the hall for training on Sat. April 14, and Sat. May 19.

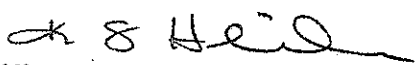
Fire Dept Pct #2 Update: The electrical wiring from the Firehall to the Rec Center needs to be updated. They would like to have it put underground to avoid problems with snow. It will be paid for with the money in the Rec Fund.

Bob reported that the Concession Stand at Agate Beach was broken into. Gary stated that the windows were boarded up, but the door won't shut.

PUBLIC COMMENT ACCEPTED.

Redridge Dam is due to be inspected this year.

Kara motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:27pm. 2nd by Bob. Approved Unan.

Submitted by: 

Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by 

Stanton Township Supervisor
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
MAY 2, 2018
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
@TOIVOLA REC CENTER

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the Monthly Meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:20 PM at the Toivola Recreation Center. Board members present: Trustee/John Mattila, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Robert Mantta was not in attendance.

All present read over the Meeting Minutes from April 11, 2018. Lori **motioned** to accept the Meeting Minutes as read. **2nd** by Marvin. **Approved Unan.**

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin **motioned** to approve the Financial Statements as read. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with one being added from the Liminga Pct#1 Fire Dept. made out to several different people for snow plowing. Kara also requested permission to pay any bills that come in on or before May 9, 2018 as that would have been the original date of this meeting. Marvin **motioned** for Kara to pay all bills that arrive on or before May 9, 2018. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** Lori then **motioned** to pay all Bills as amended. **2nd** by Marvin. **Approved Unan.**

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**Freda Sewer Update:** Nothing new to report.

**Public Hearing Update:** The township will not get involved one way or another(for or against) with the dredging issue.

**Township Hall Usage:** The township hall cannot be used by township residents for non-government business.

**Old Boat Launch Steel Pier:** It was brought to the boards attention that the old boat launch steel pier(on wheels)is still at N. Canal Park. Marvin will go and check it out to see if it is salvageable. If it is, we will put it out on bids.

**Road Commission Update:** Marvin met with Kevin Harju, who informed him that a new program is coming for roads. Kevin will keep Marv posted as it develops. The County will fix the Harma Rd. where it is torn up and Marvin will also tell Kevin to paint new lines on the Canal Rd.

**Road Millage:** Marvin met with Cheryl Patrick at the Houghton County Courthouse to discuss the language of the road millage renewal which expires at the end of 2018. The new millage will run from 2019 through 2023 and will be on the ballot in November. Marvin read the road millage language that would appear on the ballot, and then he **motioned** to accept the wording on the new road millage as read. **2nd** by Lori and **Approved Unan** on a **Roll Call Vote: 4 AYES 0 NAYS.**

\*Kara mentioned that there is a need for election inspectors in the township and to put the word out.

Trustee John Mattila hasn't located any outhouses yet for Agate Beach and it was asked that can we build a third outhouse that is handicapped accessible? We will look into this idea.

It was mentioned that Bob Mantta's son will help him out as caretaker in the township, but we do need coverage for Bob at the Toivola Cemetery. We are hoping Brian can cover this until we figure it out.

**Liminga Fire Dept. Pct#1:** Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...The annual Pancake Breakfast is on Saturday, May 12, 2018 from 7am until noon. Mike also told the board that their truck is paid off at Superior National Bank. The DNR Mack Tanker is done at Bekkala's Diesel Repair and we paid those bills this month. Firefighter training just wrapped up, and two people are now Firefighter#1 eligible and three people are now Firefighter#2 eligible and all fourteen people passed. Mike said a payment is coming from the State of Michigan for reimbursement for instructors and materials. He also mentioned that the grant they last applied for was denied, but they have since applied for a new grant.

**Toivola Fire Dept. Pct#2:** Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...roadside cleanup will commence once all of the snow melts and their new truck will be getting its title soon.

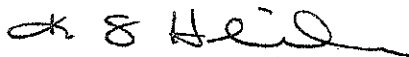
On another note, John will ask if the Jeffers shop class would be interested in building picnic tables for Agate Beach Park.


**Public Comment Accepted.**

The question is, are we still looking into getting a campground host, and can the host hook up and dump into the new toilet pit(that would be a plus!)? The other option is that we will call Superior Service Toilets and ask Steve if they could go out to Agate Beach and pump out the host camper only and what would they charge? We must keep cracking down on people trying to run electric cords across the road and they will be evicted if caught.

Gary mentioned that the Toivola Rec Center lights need fixing and can he hire somebody to do this? Yes, he can and he will!

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 7:10PM. **2nd** by John. **Approved Unan.**

  
Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kara Heinonen, Clerk

  
Approved by: Stanton Township Supervisor  
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor