

**STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
JUNE 13, 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: Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/John Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta was not in attendance.

All present read over the June 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes. John **motioned** to approve the meeting minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **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. Marvin **motioned** to pay all bills. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**



Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...The spring melt off went surprisingly well. A pump was pulled and cleaned up by Jim. Jim made and printed out a guideline of sewer system protocol to make users aware of issues with the system and how they can be prevented in the future and Lori will send this print out with the next sewer bill mailing. Jim said the system is running well and he has three spare pumps for emergencies. We are lucky we have such a swell sewer operator!

*It was mentioned that a township resident inquired about borrowing tables and chairs from the township hall. Yes, we do borrow them out and expect them back in the same condition as they left.

N. Canal Park Caretaker Update: The former caretakers have quit and so we must hire new ones. Lori **motioned** to hire Bayleigh and Marleigh Purdy, here present and inquiring about the job, to be the new N. Canal Park Caretakers, with mowing & trash responsibilities at the Kenner Dome and the Township Hall also. **2nd** by Marvin. **Approved Unan.**

Board Meeting Schedule Change: Marvin **motioned** to change the July 2018 Township Board Meeting to Monday, July 2, 2018@6:00PM at the Stanton Township Hall. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Marvin was informed that there are two outhouses available for transport from Canyon Falls near L'anse if we need them for Agate Beach Park. However, we would need to transport them, which could be very costly if we hired someone to do it. John will check what this project would entail and report back at the next meeting.

Kara talked to Superior Service about pumping out a host camper at Agate Beach Park, if we were to go that route. She reported that if it would be done weekly on Thursdays and it would cost a straight \$125 a month. Item is tabled for now. Kara will also try and get all of the board meeting minutes uploaded onto the website through May 2018 asap.

Marvin said he will talk to Kevin Harju at the County Road Commission to see about getting lines painted on township roads that need it. He also stated that County Commissioner candidate Roy Britz would like to come to a board meeting to speak with township residents. He is welcome to come anytime.

Lori told the board that the State of Michigan mandated new QuickBooks account set up and it must be incorporated asap. Marvin will talk to our auditor about getting this done.

Public Comment Accepted.


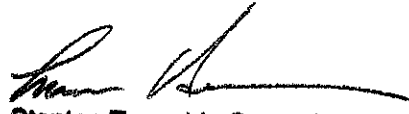
Assessing Update: Per Assistant Assessor Mary Durocher...the July BOR will consist of PRE's and will be held on July 17, 2018@4PM at the Stanton Township Hall. Kara will post on the website. Mary also said that she needs to upload Windows 10 on her computer and that the new stuff for BS&A is already on and we will be getting a bill from Bob Landsparger for this service. She also told the board that Assessor Chuck Mannisto will not be here for a couple of weeks as he is recuperates from surgery.

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...Gary requested some insurance documents that he needed from Kara and he also told her that a light bill should be coming for the Toivola Rec Center. He also inquired about more picnic tables for under the canopy at Agate Beach Park and has a guy lined up to who will make them for \$175 a table. Marvin **motioned** for Gary to order two picnic tables from Mr. John Swetich for Agate Beach Park. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.** John will check on two other table frames that he knows about and then we would have four new tables for Agate Beach! Gary told the board that Johannus will be held on June 23, 2018 and there will be a bonfire and music. He also told the board that the Jamboree may not happen up in Toivola this year as the couple that is usually in charge of organizing the event will be unavailable.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...Mike informed that board that another event is being held on June 23, 2018 too, and it is the Annual Copper Country Firefighter Association Tournament and it will be held in Chassell this year. The schedule is: 12:00PM - Games, 6:00PM - Parade, 8:00PM - Awards and 9:00PM - Dance. Mike also told the board that the DNR Mack Tanker has been retrieved from Bekkala's Diesel and is currently residing in John Anderson's garage getting a few details done!

It was mentioned that trees need to be removed from guardrails coming from Freda to Redridge as vision is greatly reduced. Marvin will ask the road commission to do this as soon as they possible can.

Marvin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50PM. 2nd by John. Approved Unan.

Submitted by:  Approved by: 
Stanton Township Supervisor

Kara Heinonen, Clerk
Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

**STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
Election Committee Meeting
July 2, 2018
MEETING MINUTES**

Clerk Kara Heinonen called the Election Committee Meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Stanton Township Hall. Committee members present: Marvin, Lori and Kara.

Motion by Marvin, **2nd** by Lori to approve the appointment of Election Inspectors for the August 7, 2018 State Primary Election.

Precinct #1 (Stanton Twp. Hall): Roberta Dunstan (R) (Chairperson)
Colleen Dunstan (R)
Kathleen Green (D)
Cheryl Faller (D)

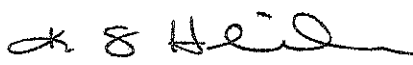
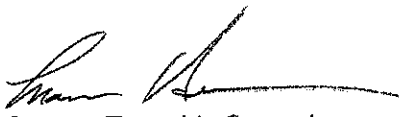
Precinct #2 (Toivola Rec. Center): Paula Villa (D) (Chairperson)
Fayre Hirvi (R)
Charlene Johnson (D)
Jennifer Luukkonen (D)

Alternates: Mary Durocher (D)
Lori Anderson (R)

Receiving Board: Lori Anderson (R)
Mary Durocher (D)

Motion to adjourn by Marvin. **2nd** by Kara. **Approved Unan.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

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

implemented. Joe told him that nothing is happening yet, and that he will let us know when it does.

*Marvin talked to Kevin Harju of the Houghton County Road Commission about the tree trimming in Redridge and learned that it has been tabled until all flood damage has been resolved, which we assumed was the case.

*The cost of the picnic tables made for Agate Beach Park by Joe Swetich must come out of the Agate Beach Recreation Fund so it can finally be closed. We will transfer the remaining balance of that fund to the Toivola Recreation Center Fund.

Redridge Dam Update: Marvin met with Stan Vitton who told him that there was damage to the concrete on the base of the dam from the flood and they will submit this damage claim to FEMA.

*It was mentioned that Stanton Township declined to purchase any property going on tax sale via the County Treasurer's office.

*Marvin has been in contact with township attorney Laura Reilly on ongoing issues. She is reviewing documents from John Sewell concerning dredging in the township and the township's responsibility concerning this dredging. She is also reviewing the township's position concerning a resident's garage on township property. It was mentioned that we should sell the property and Marv will consult with Laura on this suggestion.

*The board wants to publicly thank the fire department and volunteers for all of their help during the flood. They did a fantastic job!!

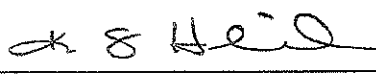
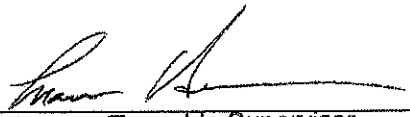
*Per Lori...summer tax bills are going out

*Per Kara...we received a donation for the Kenner Dome which will get deposited by Lori into the Kenner Dome Fund. Per Marv...the Kenner Dome propane tank is fixed so the caretakers can mow there again.

*Flood supplies are available at the Copper Country Mall in the old JCPenney store. Anyone in need can pick up supplies there. All you need is a form of ID to show that you are a Houghton County resident.

Public Comment Accepted.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:35PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

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

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

AUGUST 8, 2018

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 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.

All present reviewed the Meeting Minutes from the July Monthly Meeting. Lori **motioned** to approve the July Monthly Meeting Minutes as read. **2nd** by Marv. **Approved Unan.**

Next Lori read the Financial Statements. Marv **motioned** to accept the Financial Statements as read. **2nd** by John. **Approved Unan.**

Next Kara presented Bills to be paid. Marv **motioned** to pay all Bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...When the sewer experienced two flash floods this summer it was at its highest levels ever and it took four days to catch up. However, the sewer system never went out of compliance during or after the flood. After the 2nd flood, Jim ran a camera through the system to search for any problems and found absolutely nothing, no breaks or leaks. Shore Waves Internet came out to fix a communication problem that was caused by an electrical issue. Jim will bill us for the work that was done and Kara will submit it to the insurance company. As of now, the sewer system is back to normal.

Next the board acknowledged all of the volunteers who helped tirelessly during and in the aftermath of the flood. Much thanks to all!!

As a side note, the Kenner Dome is being appraised for flood funds by the township insurance company. Also, the township has received requests financial help from residents who were impacted by the flood, but our money is public funds and it cannot be used for private homes and residences. All of these concerns must go through the County.

Redridge Dam Update: The dam is stable, but needs work to keep it that way. The board heard from Bob Tracy who stopped in at the meeting to give the board a report on the dam and to what future plans are for the dam. The dam lost major concrete during the flood and he is hoping we will get FEMA money for repairs. He is working with

Stan Vitton on this matter and will keep us in the loop on what is happening. There is a dam inspection scheduled this fall of 2018.

*Marvin has been in contact with township attorney Laura Reilly for advice on a township easement for a new homeowner. He was also told by the attorney that we cannot sell the property we were considering selling. To make use of the land for a walking trail, the township would have to pursue grant money.

Township resident John Sewell is requesting that the township pass a conveyance resolution for homeowners that have lakeshore property. This conveyance would be a property protection for the homeowners. Marv **motioned** and **2nd** by Lori to adopt the Conveyance Resolution of Great Lakes Bottomlands by the State of Michigan to John and Joanne Sewell. **Roll Call Vote: 3 AYES 0 NAYS 1 ABSTAINED. Motion passed.** See attached resolution. The MDEQ will need to approve this resolution.

*Per Lori...the township received a \$100 donation towards the Kenner Dome.

*Per Kara...The August 7, 2018 State Primary Election went well with the new election equipment that was implemented!

Public Comment Accepted.

The Canal Rd. near the Kenner Dome is slated to be fixed sometime by the end of September 2018.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...The dept. is going to implement a new rental agreement for the fire hall and he gave the board a copy. Right now the hall is closed to rentals as they are working on renovating the bathrooms there. Mike also mentioned that the dept. received lots of extra supplies from the flood donation bank at the Copper Country Mall, in the form of rakes, tools, paper products, etc. John Mattila will talk to Mike about getting some of those supplies for the Toivola Pct#2 Fire Dept. Mike also told us that the dept. moved an old ambulance and fire truck out to the Kenner Dome parking lot, thinking that it may help out someone in need quicker at that location in an emergency.

It was also mentioned that the County is giving NO fixed timeline on repairing roads in the township from flood damage.

Thanks to whoever fixed the Honor Roll outside of the township hall, hats off to them!!

Lori **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:35PM. **2nd** by John. **Approved Unan.**

Submitted by:


Stanton Township Supervisor
Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Approved by:


Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

8th Day, August month, 2018

At an Organizational and Regular Board Meeting of the Stanton Twp Board held 8th month 8th day, 2018, the following resolution was offered:

CONVEYANCE RESOLUTION 2018 - 08/08 - 3

Moved by Council Member MARVIN HEINONEN, seconded by Council Member LORI ANDERSON to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, John & Joanne Sewell who are owners of lot "ST6-35-1A, SEC 35 T55N R36W Part of GOV'T LOT 2", property no.31-013-285-002-00, and said property and adjacent bottom lands have been tested by White Water Associates to contain no levels of heavy metals hazardous to humans or wildlife, are filing an application for a conveyance of the Great Lakes Bottomlands extending lakeward from their westerly property border to act as stewards for the erosion control of materials in said bottom lands. This application is being made to protect the hardshore by providing stewardship and protection of these materials in the identified bottomlands.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Stanton Township, Houghton County Michigan does hereby approve the conveyance of Great Lakes Bottomlands by the State of Michigan to Joanne and John Sewell. The Great Lakes Bottomlands to be conveyed are fully described as follows:

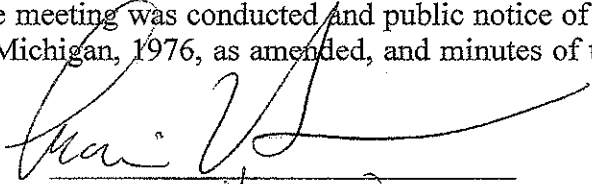
A parcel of land West of Government Lot 2, Section 35, Township 55 North, Range 36 West, Stanton Township, Houghton County, Michigan described as follows:

Commencing at the East Quarter corner of said Section 35, thence N00°26'42"E along the EAST line of said Section 35 a distance of 1060.00 feet; thence N88°49'51" W a distance of 1614.31 feet to a point on the surveyed traverse line of said Government Lot 2; thence continue N88°49'51" W a distance of 40.0 feet to a point on the edge of the stamp sand beach and the Point of Beginning of the parcel to be described; From the Point of Beginning thus established thence continue N88°49'51" W a distance of 400.0 feet; thence N26°17'43" E a distance of 315.66 feet; thence S88°43'03" E a distance of 400.0 feet to a point on the tamp sand beach; thence S26°21'22" W a distance of 314.94 feet more or less to the Point of Beginning. Said described parcel contain 2.62 Acres more or less.

This describes the Metes and Bounds of Lake Superior Bottom Lands being conveyed to John & Joanne Sewell Owners of said lot "ST6-35-1A SEC 35 T55N R36W Part of GOV'T LOT 2",

Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 ABSTAINED 1

I, MARVIN HEINONEN, ^{Supervisor} township Clerk of Stanton Township, Houghton County, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by Stanton Twp, Houghton County, State of Michigan, at a public meeting held on ___ month, ___ day, 2018; the original thereof is on file in the records of my office, the meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and minutes of this meeting were kept and will be made available as required.


name MARVIN HEINONEN Stanton Twp Clerk
SUPERVISOR

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

AGATE BEACH PAVILION

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 Agate Beach Pavilion. Board members present: Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/John Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta was not in attendance.

All present reviewed the Meeting Minutes from the August Monthly Meeting. Marvin **motioned** to approve the August Monthly Meeting Minutes as read. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

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

Next Kara presented Bills to be paid. A three way bill was added from Gary Hoekstra(\$100), Zack Hoekstra(\$40) and Ron Petrelius(\$200)for labor and services rendered while tending to the Toivola Rec Center electrical service transfer. The above ground service connecting the fire hall to the Rec Center was changed to underground service. These amounts will be taken from general fund acct#1765jtr(Toivola Rec Center Maintenance). Lori **motioned** to pay all Bills as **amended**. **2nd** by Marvin. **Approved Unan.**

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Freda Sewer Update: Nothing new to report.

Redridge Dam Update: Nothing new to report. Marvin recapped what happened at the last meeting for all present, and it was suggested that the township sell the dam to the historical society. Marvin will check if that is an option.

Barton Easement Update: Per Marvin...the attorney will let us know soon if we can do a motorized easement.

DEQ Update: Bids for the Schlot's Creek culvert at the Kenner Dome will go out this week and a cement box culvert will be installed. Marvin had to sign papers at the County for permission to put the culvert in. It should be done by late fall.

Next, guest speaker Roy Britz introduced himself as a candidate running for County Commissioner in the 5th District of Houghton County, which is in Stanton Township's jurisdiction. He just wanted to let residents of the township know who he is and what he stands for.

Next John requested that the picnic tables under the Agate Beach Pavilion be fastened down so they can't be removed from the park or put on the beach. He will come up with a person who can do it.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...the dept. received a congratulatory letter from the Department of Homeland Security. They received the reward letter and grant application money for recruitment activities and supplies needed for medical emergencies. They must implement policies and procedures for new recruits and the money is for training, etc. Hat's off to the fire dept. members for their achievement!!!!!!

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...the electric service has been changed at the Rec Center. He also requested another load of gravel for the parking lot and a new exterior door for the far end of the ice rink at the Rec Center. Yes to both requests!

Public Comment Accepted.

It was mentioned that the Agate Beach Road needs grading so the road commission will be called with this request.

Mary mentioned that the Grego Rd. is still legally called the Kyllonen Rd. and the Grego's need to submit a letter to the township requesting the road name change. If the township approves it, then they can submit their request to Houghton County 911 to have it changed.

It was mentioned that the Heinola Rd. needs stop signs where it bisects N. Superior Rd. in the township. Marvin will call the County to have them installed.

Marvin **motioned** to adjourn the meeting at 6:50PM. **2nd** by Lori. **Approved Unan.**

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