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 <u>motioned</u> to approve the meeting minutes as read. <u>2nd</u> by Lori. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to accept the financial statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by Kara. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Kara presented Bills to be paid. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to pay all bills. <u>2nd</u> by Lori. <u>Approved</u> <u>Unan</u>.

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.

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N. Canal Park Caretaker Update: The former caretakers have quit and so we must hire new ones. Lori <u>motioned</u> 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. <u>2nd</u> by Marvin. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

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.

Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor
Submitted by:	Approved by:
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Marvin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50PM. 2nd by John. Approved Unan.

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.

<u>Motion</u> by Marvin, <u>2nd</u> by Lori to approve the 7, 2018 State Primary Election.	appointment of Election Inspectors for the Augus
Precinct #1 (Stanton Twp. Hall):	Roberta Dunstan (R) (Chairperson) Colleen Dunstan (R) Kathleen Green (D) Cheryl Faller (D)
Precinct #2 (Toivola Rec. Cente	er): 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)
<u>Motion</u> to adjourn by Marvin. <u>2nd</u> by Kara. <u>A</u> J	pproved Unan.
Meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.	
Submitted by:	_Approved by:
Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

JULY 2, 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 and Clerk/Kara Heinonen. Trustee/Bob Mantta and Trustee/John Mattila were not in attendance.

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

Next Lori read the Financial Statements. Kara <u>motioned</u> to accept the Financial Statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by Marv. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Now Kara presented Bills to be paid. Marv <u>motioned</u> to pay all Bills. <u>2nd</u> by Lori. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Freda Sewer Update: Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin said everything held up during the flood and all is well!

Agate Beach Toilets: The toilets that were to be purchased from the State of Michigan are no longer an option.

Kenner Dome Update: Members of the Crossfit Club of Houghton and Team CC paired up to lend a hand in the Kenner Dome flood cleanup, which was spearheaded by Micah Stipech and Shelly Ruohonen Farrey. Hat's off to these outstanding organizations and individuals for all of their help! Also, Marv met with the township insurance adjuster out of Marquette and came back with some positive input that the Kenner Dome flood damage may be covered. We will wait to hear back from the adjustor.

Quickbooks Update: Marvin talked to township auditor Joseph Daavettila about the state mandated Quickbooks Chart of Accounts changes that need to be

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.
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Submitted by:	Approved by:
Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

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 <u>motioned</u> to approve the July Monthly Meeting Minutes as read. <u>2nd</u> by Marv. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Next Lori read the Financial Statements. Marv <u>motioned</u> to accept the Financial Statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by John. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

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

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 <u>motioned</u> and <u>2nd</u> 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. <u>Motion passed</u>. 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 who	ever fixed the	Honor Roll	outside of	the to	ownship	hall, hats	off to	them!!

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

Submitted by:	 Approved by:_	

Kara Heinonen, Clerk

Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

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 <u>motioned</u> to accept the Financial Statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by Kara. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

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.

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, Cler	k Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD Election Committee Meeting October 8, 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.

Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor
	proved by:
Meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.	
Motion to adjourn by Lori, 2nd by Kara. Approve	d Unan
Receiving Board:	Lori Anderson (R) Mary Durocher (D)
Alternates:	Mary Durocher (D) Lori Anderson (R)
Precinct #2 (Toivola Rec. Center):	Paula Villa (R) (Chairperson) Fayre Hirvi (R) Charlene Johnson (D) Jennifer Luukkonen (D) Linda Neumann (D)
Precinct #1 (Stanton Twp. Hall):	Roberta Dunstan (R) (Chairperson) Colleen Dunstan (R) Kathleen Green (D) Cheryl Faller (D)
<u>Motion</u> by Lori, <u>2nd</u> by Marvin to approve the approvember 6, 2018 General Election.	ointment of Election Inspectors for the
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STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OCTOBER 8, 2018 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:01 PM 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 September 12, 2018 Monthly Meeting Minutes from the Agate Beach Pavilion. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to approve the minutes as read. <u>2nd</u> by John. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to accept the financial statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by Kara. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with pre-approval of paychecks for the N. Canal Park Caretakers when she receives time sheets from them. Lori <u>motioned</u> to pay all bills as <u>amended. 2nd</u> by Marvin. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...all is well, with winter maintenance coming up!

Road Signs Update: No response back yet from the Grego's on their road name change. Which brings us to the question of whether or not the township should keep paying for private road signs? We will give it some thought and revisit the topic at the January budget meetings. Marvin did <u>motion</u> to accept Ryan Markham's request for a new road named "Penrose Bluff" in the township. <u>2nd</u> by John. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Kenner Dome Update: Per Marvin...he and Paul Ek and Marty Rajala met with our insurance agent from Marquette concerning the flood damage to the Kenner Dome. The agent said we will receive \$100,000 for repairs from our insurance claim. We are tentatively planning on seeking three bidders on the project in the spring, but the Kenner Dome should be good to go for this winter as we received a lot of clean up help from volunteer crews this past summer!

*It was mentioned that Trustee and Caretaker Bob Mantta is out of commission at the moment and Cemetery Caretaker Brian Riutta may help out with the township hall caretaking duties.

Next Lori <u>motioned</u>, <u>2nd</u> by Marvin to approve date/time changes to two future board meeting dates as <u>discussed</u>. The first change is that the 6PM Meeting on Nov. 14, 2018 be changed to Nov. 12, 2018. The second change is that the 6PM Meeting on Dec. 12, 2018 be changed to 2PM December 3, 2018. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Barton Easement Update: Per Marvin...Attorneys for both parties are working on the motorized easement and he hasn't heard any feedback yet.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...he wants board approval for extra snow plowing during fire school which will start here in early December on two week nights plus one weekend night and for January first responder classes which will be held on weekends. The board approved the extra plowing. Also, how should Mike keep track of the money for the grant the dept. received? Kara will check for categories on the income and expense sides. If there are none, she will create some. As of today, there is a category on the income side for Federal Grants(501)and she created a new category on the expense side for Federal Grants(1341q).

*It was suggested that the Agate Beach Toilets be pumped out for the winter by Superior Service. Kara will call and have this done! If the Kenner Dome toilets need pumping, please let Kara know.

*John told the board that the County will grade the Agate Beach Road.

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: The dept. sold the Dodge truck so the check should be coming in the mail for Lori to deposit.

Election Update: Per Kara...the Receiving Board required by the State for use at every election should be paid a standard stipend, not an hourly wage or we will have a hard time finding anybody to do this job. The two people on the receiving board come in anywhere from 1-3 hours at the end of the night and end up being here at the hall until a very late hour! Also, the November 6, 2018 General Election is almost here! AND...the last day to register to vote for this election is tomorrow, October 9, 2018 so Kara and Mary will hold regular office hours tomorrow. The Clerk's office has also received two FOIA requests in the last month. One has been withdrawn as they had the wrong township, but the other is still pending. Kara also noted that there were three overseas ballots requests.

Redridge Dam Update: The County did cut trees by the Dam and FEMA is probably going to approve monies for the flood damage to the Dam. The cement pillars need beefing up

Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor
Submitted by:	Approved by:
Marvin motioned to adjourn the meeting at	6:50PM. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan .
Public Comment Accepted.	
under water and a new road to the Dam is a made until the money is received.	also needed. However, no changes will be

STANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

NOVEMBER 12, 2018

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the monthly meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 6:01 PM 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 October 8, 2018 Monthly Meeting Minutes. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to approve the minutes as read. <u>2nd</u> by Lori. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to accept the financial statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by Kara. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Kara presented Bills to be paid, with three bills being added from the General Fund for QuickBooks(W2's & 1099's), Fire Dept. Pct#1(Reimb. from State of MI for training) and Jason Mattila(Reimb. for Electrical@Toivola Rec). Marv motioned to pay all bills as amended. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan.

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...the sewer is running very well!

Roads Update: Marvin received a letter from the Grego's requesting board approval for a road name change. Marv <u>motioned</u> to change the Kyllonen Rd. to Grego Rd. <u>2nd</u> by Lori. <u>Approved Unan</u>. Marv will also ask Brian to re-evaluate all road signs in the spring to see which ones need to be replaced.

Kenner Dome Update: Nothing new to report.

A few newsworthy items: Trustees John Mattila and Mike Pionke will be sworn in on the 20th of November 2018. The township has received a check from Dan Barton for his part in the motorized easement of township property. The board has received the audit back from auditor Joseph Daavettila and they all have copies. A copy will always be available at the township hall for anyone who wants to view it. Markham's Marina will no longer do the plowing of township properties so the township will hire Andy Turner to replace them. The November 6, 2018 General Election went well and the Road Millage passed.

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Not much new to report. The plowing at the firehall/rec center will be done by whoever can do it from the fire dept.

BOR Update: The BOR will be held on December 11, 2018@4:30PM(PRE's and clerical).

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...the dept. needs board approval to purchase a new truck. Marv <u>motioned</u> to approve the purchase of a fire engine by the Liminga Fire Dept. from the auction in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. <u>2nd</u> by John. <u>Approved Unan</u>.

Public Comment Accepted.

Plow driver Andy Turner reported that a cable came loose in the fire dept. parking lot and almost caught on his plow. It was reported that Charter will repair the cable. It was mentioned that the Redridge Dam needs maintenance on plugged outlets of the steel dam. John will look into what needs to be done and report back. We are still waiting to hear from FEMA on money for flood damage. Also, Marvin will consult with Kevin Harju of the County Road Commission on road line painting and signage.

Marvin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:55PM. 2nd by John. Approved Unan.

Submitted by:	······································	Approved by:
	Kara Heinonen, Clerk	Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor

DECEMBER 3, 2018

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Roll call was taken.

Supervisor Marvin Heinonen called the Monthly Meeting of the Stanton Township Board to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Stanton Township Hall. Board members present: Trustee/Mike Pionke, Treasurer/Lori Anderson, Supervisor/Marvin Heinonen, Trustee/John Mattila and Clerk/Kara Heinonen.

All present reviewed the Meeting Minutes from the November Monthly Meeting. John <u>motioned</u> to approve the meeting minutes as read. <u>2nd</u> by Lori. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Next Lori read the Financial Statements. Marvin <u>motioned</u> to accept the Financial Statements as read. <u>2nd</u> by Kara. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

Next Kara presented Bills to be paid. Kara told the board that she would pay any additional monthly bills until the original board meeting date of December 12th. Lori <u>motioned</u> to pay all Bills as <u>approved</u>. <u>2nd</u> by Marvin. <u>Approved Unan.</u>

First, the board would like to welcome new board member Mike Pionke and returning board member John Mattila!

Freda Sewer Update: Per Sanitation Engineer Jim Morin...the system is running well and the winterization is done!

BOR Update: Per Mary Durocher...the December BOR will be held on the 11th@4:30PM and will be PRE's and Clericals.

Kenner Dome Update: Nothing new to report.

*Marvin reported that he will talk to our auditor about the new account number system we will be implementing in the future and report back at the next meeting.

Next the board set the dates for the budget workshops for January 2019. They will be held on Jan. 16th and Jan. 23rd@5:00PM. The Annual Truth In Taxation and Truth in Budgeting Meeting will then be held on Feb. 13th@5:00PM, an hour before the regularly scheduled board meeting. Finally, the board set the 2019 Monthly Meeting Schedule dates, which will be the 2nd Wed. of every month@6:00PM.

Fire Dept. Pct#1 Update: Per Fire Chief Mike Pionke...the Fire Dept. was awarded a 50/50 DNR Grant. An amount of \$4,250 will come from the DNR, with the grant total being \$8,500. Mike also mentioned that fire dept. members flew to Connecticut before Thanksgiving and drove

their new truck back to Stanton Township. He also said that the dept. gained new member Jay Makela!

Fire Dept. Pct#2 Update: Per Fire Chief Gary Hoekstra...the Fire Dept. was awarded a 50/50 DNR Grant also. An amount of \$3,000 will come from the DNR, with the the grant total being \$6,000.

*Lori mentioned that winter tax bills go out this week.

Public Comment Accepted.

Stan Vitton gave an update on the Redridge Dam. Stanton is all set up for FEMA funding and officially registered to submit for damage from the 2018 flooding. There are two categories that we must pass to qualify for funding. The money will come through the Michigan State Police to the township(75%) and the State of Michigan will contribute the other 25%. One item we need to qualify is a procurement policy, which the township does not have. Stan showed the board a sample procurement policy from the City of Houghton. Marvin took a Roll Call Vote: 5 AYES NAYS to adopt the proposed Stanton Township Procurement Policy dated Dec. 3, 2018 on a motion by John, 2nd by Marvin. Approved Unan. Next concerning the dam is debris removal. Two contractors have looked at removing the debris and both are willing to do it properly and safely, as they are insured. Shall the board put it out for bids? Stan has been in contact with the State Dam Office and we do not need a permit as it is considered maintenance to clean out pipe debris. However, we must keep track of costs. Bob Tracy will get us the proper documents for the bidding process(Bid Package). John motioned to proceed with the bid process for debris removal from the Redridge Dam. 2nd by Marvin. Approved Unan.

Marvin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:05PM. 2nd by Lori. Approved Unan.

Submitted by:	Approved by:
Kara Heinonen, Cle	rk Marvin Heinonen, Supervisor