**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF AUSABLE**

Regular Board Meeting

April 15, 2019

“approved”

**CALL TO ORDER**:

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kevin Beliveau at 5:00 pm

**ROLL CALL**:

Present: Jeffrey Moss, Yvette Ramsdell, Kelly Graham, Kevin Beliveau, Mary Jo Samotis, Alanda Barnes,

Ron Janis

Staff Present: Leisa Sutton, Superintendent, Susie Olpere, Recording Secretary

Press Coverage: Patricia Alvord

Pledge of Allegiance recited

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Supervisor Beliveau added Resolution 2019-04 as Item 6 under New Business. He also requested the updates from Trustee Moss and Clerk Graham to be moved to items under Old Business. Ramsdell made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Moss  
Unanimous – Voice Vote  
Motion Carried

**PUBLIC COMMENTS on Agenda Items**: None

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Janis made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Second by Barnes

Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
Motion Carried

**PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Treasurer – Bank Fund Balances
2. Clerk – Accounts Payable, Revenue & Expenditures, Balance Report
3. Superintendent – Superintendent’s Report

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Planning Commission Appointments –** On May 1, 2019 the Planning Commission terms for Chairman Kurt Beck and Vice Chairman Diana London will end. Superintendent Sutton spoke with both commissioners and they have expressed that they would like to remain on the Planning Commission. Supervisor Beliveau moved to appoint Kurt Beck to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term ending May 1, 2022. Second by Samotis  
   Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
   Motion Carried

Beliveau also moved to appoint Diana London to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term ending May 1, 2022. Second by Samotis  
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
Motion Carried

1. **Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment** – Two positions on the ZBA will also expire May 1, 2019 for Henry Altman and Kevin Beliveau. They have expressed that they would like to remain  
   on the board. Samotis made the nomination of Henry Altman to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3 year term ending May 1, 2022. Second by Barnes  
   Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
   Motion Carried

Samotis nominated Kevin Beliveau to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3 year term ending May 1, 2022. Second by Barnes

Unanimous – Roll Call Vote

Motion Carried

1. **Lead Agency Agreement -** As part of the bike path grant process, it is necessary to have an ACT 51 Agency to clarify any understandings between and amongst all of these municipalities, as it concerns the construction and maintenance of a non-motorized bike path traversing through various parts of the Township. The Iosco County Road Commission is an ACT 51 Agency and has agreed to act as the ACT 51 Agency for the AuSable Township portion of the Iosco Exploration Trail but requires a Lead Agency Agreement. This agreement indemnifies the Iosco County Road Commission for any financial, legal, or other costs, damage, fine, penalty, or other obligation and/or liability incurred either during the construction process or for the required length of time for maintenance of the same. Ramsdell made the motion to approve the Lead Agency Agreement and to authorize Supervisor Beliveau to sign such agreement. Second by Graham  
   Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
   Motion Carried
2. **PC Upgrade / Replacements** - I.T. Right sent notification that 2 computers in our office will need an upgrade by the end of the year. Microsoft will no longer support Windows 7 which is the operating system for our Code Enforcement Officer and upgrading for our Assessor. Motion was made by Moss to approve the PC upgrades and replacements of the computers totaling $1,172.00. Second by Ramsdell  
   Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
   Motion Carried
3. **Fireworks Ordinance** - Township Attorney Tim Gulden reached out to Superintendent Sutton regarding changes at the State level pertaining to fireworks ordinances. The State law alters the dates and times fireworks can be used statewide and allows fireworks to be used during the week of the Fourth of July from 11 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. June 29 through July 4. Per AuSable Township Ordinance, #110 residents could shoot fireworks on the holidays listed in the ordinance, inclusive of the days before and after said holidays, from 8 a.m. to 1 a.m. It has been recommended by the Township Attorney that we remove the excess holidays from our ordinance and refer to the exact days and times in the new legislation. Motion was made by Graham to approve and authorize Mr. Gulden, Township Attorney, to draft an updated Fireworks Ordinance to be presented to the board for consideration. Second by Ramsdell  
   Unanimous – Voice Vote   
   Motion Carried
4. **Consideration of Resolution 2019-04** – This resolution represents a request of the State of Michigan to provide the necessary funding and support for securing Federal Aviation Administration licensing and authorization for conducting spacecraft launch and landing operations as a “spaceport” at Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport, Oscoda, Michigan. Supervisor Beliveau recapped information from a representative of the Michigan Launch Initiative. Oscoda is one of the possible sites in the running from Michigan for this facility to be built. Moss made the motion to approve Resolutions 2019-04. Second by Barnes   
   Unanimous – Roll Call Vote  
   Motion Carried

**BOARD COMMENTS:**

1. Jeff Moss – RAB Update - Trustee Moss attended the Army Corp. of Engineers “Shallow Harbor” meeting to gather more information about the dredging schedule of the mouth of the AuSable River and repairs to the wall and walkway. There are 5 harbors that will be dredged this year, but we have not received the actual timeline.
2. Kelly Graham – Iron Belle Trail Update – Clerk Graham updated the board on the various grant activity.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Oscoda Press reporter, Patricia Alvord said that she covered the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Children’s Park on Saturday, and that it was a big success and very well attended.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn made by Janis

Second by Samotis

Unanimous – Voice Vote

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:38 pm

Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Susie Olpere Kevin Beliveau, Supervisor

Recording Secretary Charter Township of AuSable