

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF AUSABLE

Regular Board Meeting

September 16, 2024

“approved”

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Beliveau at 5:01pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Shayne Janis, Kelly Graham, Kevin Beliveau, Yvette Ramsdell, Alanda Barnes

Absent: Diana London and Gina Cinquino

Staff Present: Eric Strayer, Superintendent, Susie Olpere, Recording Secretary

Press Coverage: Manuela Kress

Pledge of Allegiance recited

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ramsdell made the motion to approve the agenda for Sept. 16, 2024.

Second by Barnes

Unanimous – Voice Vote

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS on Agenda Items: None

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion was made by Barnes to approve the Consent Agenda.

Second by Janis

Unanimous – Roll Call Vote

Motion Carried

PRESENTATIONS:

- A) **Treasurer** – Bank Balance Report
- B) **Clerk** – Accounts Payable
- C) **Superintendent** – Superintendent’s Report

OLD BUSINESS:

- A) **Kelly Graham – Iron Belle Trail Update** - Clerk Graham said there was progress continuing with the trail and that repairs and finishing touches were being made to cement and asphalt driveways.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A) **CIP** – Superintendent Strayer included a copy of the latest Capital Improvement Plan. The only thing added was to sealcoat the Senior Center walking path. Ramsdell made the motion to approve the Capital Improvement Plan as amended. Second Barnes
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- B) **Trailhead Marketplace User Fees** – Superintendent Strayer provided a couple of different examples of applications for use of public park facilities. They provided ideas for fees (rental fee and security deposits) and possible restrictions for the facility. Discussion by the board included rates for residents and non-residents and terms for cancellations. Superintendent Strayer stated that he would make up a rough draft for the next meeting. No action was needed.
- C) **Eagle’s Project for the AuSable Historical Cemetery** – Miranda Roiter is asking for volunteers to help with a project to clean-up the cemetery. The date set is September 28th and 29th for anyone interested in participating. Along with this topic is an estimate from Terry Dutcher for tree and dead branch removal. Barnes made the motion not to exceed \$5,000. for the trees and clean-up to Terry Dutcher. Second by Graham
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried

- D) L – 4029 Form** – Included in the packet is a copy of the 2029 L-4029 Form. This form is also known as the Tax Rate Request Form and details the millages that will be collected by the Township on the 2024 winter tax bills. Ramsdell made the motion to approve Form L-4029 for 2024. Second by Graham
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- E) Industrial Property Interest** – An offer was received by Alan Strickland to purchase a corner lot in Industrial Park (Parcel #021-030-000-021-00) in the amount of \$2,500. Supervisor Beliveau explained that the proposed use of the property was not allowed in the Industrial District. In his opinion we could not accept the offer based on the use nor the value of the property. Motion was made by Ramsdell to deny Alan Strickland’s offer to purchase Parcel #021-030-000-021-00.
Second by Barnes
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- F) Sealcoat Estimates** – Superintendent Strayer received two sealcoat estimates for sealcoating the Township parking lot, path to the Shoreline Beach, and the Senior Center walking path. The lowest estimate submitted was Prime Results (from Alpena) in the amount of \$9,645. compared to Northern Sealcoat (from West Branch) at an amount of \$14,855. The projects will be scheduled for the Spring. Motion was made by Graham to accept the bid from Prime Results, in the amount of \$9,645. to sealcoat the Senior Center walking path, Township Hall parking lot, and the path to Shoreline Park. Second by Barnes
Unanimous – Roll Call Vote
Motion Carried
- G) Preliminary Budget Copy** - A copy of the budget has been included for the next Budget meeting for the trustees review. The meeting is scheduled for Sept. 26th at 4:30.
No action required

BOARD COMMENTS: Superintendent Strayer informed the board of the beginning tenure for new trustees and the Supervisor’s position. The tenure would start on Nov. 20th and their first board meeting would be Monday, Dec. 2nd. The oaths of office will be given on Monday, Nov. 18th.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Barnes
Second by Janis
Unanimous – Voice Vote
Motion Carried
Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm

Submitted By:
Susie Olpere
Recording Secretary

Kevin Beliveau, Supervisor
Charter Township of AuSable