

**Attendance:** Sheri Shafer, Deb Lundquist, Lori McShane, Lou Lundquist, and Tara Dongvillo

**Agenda:** Motion by McShane, second by Dongvillo, to approve agenda adding the new rules for the fitness center under new business item c and moving the census presentation to right before old business. 5 ayes

**Public Comments:** Cathy Egerer updated the board on the UP200 sled dog race coming up in February. We have 19 entries so far and are still in need of volunteers if anyone is interested.

**Correspondence:** Email from Lisa Marks dated December 15, 2019, regarding Snowmobile speed through town and enforcing the ordinance. Letter from James Nordberg from December 19, 2019, about an ice rink on the tennis court area.

**Approve Minutes:** Motion by Shafer, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the minutes of the December 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting. 5 ayes.

**Department and Committee Reports:** Reports were available from the DPW/Water, Assessor, Library, Ambulance and Fire.

**Appointments/Resignations:** Motion by McShane, second by Dongvillo, to approve the appointment of Phil Bontrager to the Planning Commission. 5 ayes.

**Supervisor Report:** The snowmobile season is upon us and we are hearing some complaints. It is an issue of enforcement. We are hoping to educate the tourists by putting literature in all the rentals explaining our ordinances and asking the snowmobilers/ORV's to be respectful and watch their speed and private property. It is the New Year and time to renew your county dog licenses. Contact the township office for details.

**Treasurer's reports and Approval of Bills:** Treasurer's report – (\$762,869.05) Motion by Dongvillo, second by Shafer, to accept treasurer's report and approve the bills for payment. (\$23,306.44) 5 ayes..

**Unfinished Business:**

**Marina Bathhouse and Fish Cleaning Station:** No additional information to report. Still holding 10% retainage until the bathhouse is open and operational for at least 60 days.

**RDA Grant for new ambulance:** Delivery has been delayed again until mid-February. Closing will be scheduled at time of delivery.

**Short Term Rental Ordinance:** True copy of the complete ordinance is available at the Township Office and will be published in the January 17<sup>th</sup> edition of the Grands Marais Pilot. It will also be posted on the township Facebook page and on the website. Ordinance will be in effect 30 days after publication.

**UPEA/Review and update Sewer system plan:** Waiting on a formal estimate from UPEA for the update to our existing plans.

**New Business:**

**Census representative:** Nathan Michels from the US Dept of Commerce, Census Bureau, was here to explain the procedure for the 2020 census taking. You will receive a flyer in February telling you to watch for the official questionnaire – April 1, 2020 is the official Census day. You will be contacted if you do not respond. It is important to respond to the Census as this is a valuable tool for improving communities and may interfere with important funding if the numbers are not accurate.

**Computers for township office:** The four computers in the township office need to be replaced. They are currently on an outdated operating system (Microsoft 7). Waiting for estimate from Teck Solutions – should be about \$6,000. Will need to be in the next budget cycle.

**Township Fitness center rules and membership costs:** Motion by Dongvillo, second by Deb Lundquist to approve the new rules and regulations for the fitness center adding additional household members at \$25.00. 5 ayes.

**Other:**

**Public Comment:** none

**Adjournment:** 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted January 21, 2020  
Lori McShane, Clerk