## Regular Meeting of the Burt Township Board Tuesday, October 10, 2023 -- Community Center, 6:00 PM

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<u>Attendance</u>: Sheri Shafer, Lou Lundquist, Deb Lundquist, and Lori McShane. (Tara Dongvillo absent) <u>Agenda</u>: <u>Motion by McShane, second by D. Lundquist, to approve the agenda with the addition of park septic floats quote and</u> <u>Alger County Law enforcement invoice as new business C&D. 4 ayes</u>

Public Comments: none

Correspondence: none

Approve Minutes: Motion by Lou Lundquist, second by Deb Lundquist, to approve the minutes from the September 8<sup>th</sup> special meeting and the regular meeting on September 12th. 4 ayes.

**Department and Committee Reports**: Reports were available from the Assessor, DPW &Water, Park and Library. **Appointments/Resignations:** none

**Supervisor Report**: Received a quote from Downhill Solutions for the floats needed in the main lift station of the park septic. This has been added to the agenda for approval. The new bathhouse construction is moving along, Alger Delta came and moved the electrical box and Cross contracting has been placing blocks and making progress. Bowman gas came and set the new tank for the community center generator and Imperial Electric will come and finish the installation. Jack Cusumano, our new campground manager, was here over the weekend and met with all the park employees and looked around. He will be a great addition to the Woodland Park Team. Woodland Park is scheduled to close on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

<u>**Treasurer's report and Approval of Bills**</u>: Treasurer's report – (\$1,117,672.53) <u>Motion by McShane, second by Shafer to accept treasurer's report and approve the bills for payment. (\$94,349.20) 4 ayes.</u>

Unfinished Business:

**Planning Commission**: Next Planning commission meeting has not yet been scheduled – watch the facebook page, website, and the postings around town as they continue to work on the Zoning Ordinance, specifically Short-Term Rentals.

<u>Shoreline stabilization – Old Coast Guard Boat Dock:</u> Supervisor met with representative from Kaunisto Holdings regarding the stabilization of the property using rocks. They sent us two quotes, one for a partial coverage at \$48,653 and a quote for the entire shoreline at \$68,422. This land was received from the federal government through a Lands to Parks grant and we have a five-year term to make the improvements referenced in the grant application. We contacted the government agency in charge and explained the situation. They have offered their assistance with the Army Corp to get a complete analysis, and have offered an extension of the five-year plan due to excessive costs. We also discussed the possibility of returning the land to the government. **Park Bathhouse pay request #4/Loan:** Motion by McShane, second by Deb Lundquist, to approve the pay application #4 in the

amount of \$24,655 to Cross Contracting. 4 ayes. We are looking to borrow up to \$500,000 to pay for this bathhouse, either through bonding and loan from Rural Development, or with an installment purchase agreement with Peoples State Bank. We will have more information at our special budget meeting later this month.

## <u>New Business:</u>

<u>Anderson Tackman Audit Report</u>: Our audit has been completed and the report has been distributed to the board and will be on our website for review. There was only one comment and recommendation made by the auditors regarding the actual expenditures exceeding budgeted amounts. We will need to submit a corrective action to the state within the next 30 days as this is a violation of statute. Copies of this corrective action will be distributed to the board and posted on the website as well. Overall, we did very well and the township is in a good financial position.

<u>Marina Rates 2024 season/Harbormaster concerns:</u> Motion by McShane, second by Shafer, to submit our 2024 rate schedule using dockage rates under column H, with no increase from last year. 4 ayes. Harbormaster Williamson mentioned that he has checked around the UP and our launch and dockage rates are in line with other marinas in the area. We are having a problem with the drains in the Marina Bathhouse, and quite a few of the poles are in need of repair. Hopefully, Mike Beek can look at the drain problem, and we discussed having an engineer come over and look at the Marina wall and offer suggestions for improvements. <u>Downhill solutions quote</u>: Motion by Shafer, second by McShane, to approve the cost estimate from Downhill solutions to install the floats needed in the main lift station of the campground septic for \$1,629.00. 4 ayes.

Alger County Law Enforcement invoice: Motion by Deb Lundquist, second by Shafer, to approve the invoice from Sheriff Brock for additional law enforcement from April through September 2023, for \$15,077.29. 4 ayes.

<u>**Other:**</u> L4029 has been submitted to the county, we need to revise and submit a new one after the November election. We have two millage renewals on the ballot for the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 election.

**Public Comment:** Cathy Egerer asked about the fencing around the greenspace. We are working with the supplier and hope to have the fence installed in the spring. We will put snow fencing around the greenspace and the pickle barrel property for the winter. The dog sled races are on for this year – scheduled for February  $17^{\text{th}}$ . They will be bringing a contract to the board soon to approve the road closures. The North Shore lodge has been purchased and is being renovated, with no changes to the original footprint of the buildings. They hope to reopen soon.

Adjournment: 7:00 PM