

Special Meeting of the Burt Township Board
Monday, June 24, 2024
Community Center – 11:00 AM

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

Agenda: Motion by McShane, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the agendas written. 5 ayes

Public Comments: Bill Egerer encouraged the board to move cautiously regarding the road closure and personal property rights and to seek legal advice before making a statement.

Unfinished Business:

Pay App #12 – Cross Contracting Final Pay: Motion by McShane, second by Lou Lundquist, to approve the final pay request from Cross Contracting for \$94,513.10. 5 ayes. This completes payment on the Woodland Park bathhouse project. We have a one-year warranty and Cross Contracting has been great to work with.

Planning Commission/Civil Infraction Ordinance/Short Term rentals: The sample civil infraction ordinance needs to be reviewed and updated to Burt Township requirements. It was proposed that a committee of a few board members get together and seek legal counsel to make the necessary changes and then present to the board for adoption. Short Term Rentals: the board continues to debate the status of rentals in operation since the moratorium and how to handle as the new zoning ordinance is adopted. Lou Lundquist stated that the planning commission was scheduled to have one more discussion at the Tuesday, June 25th meeting and the board should wait on making any motions.

New Business:

Rhody Creek Truck Trail closure: A section of what has been called the Rhody Creek Truck Trail that passes through the property of Perry Bennett will be closed to through traffic. He is stating that the ATV traffic that comes through there is invasive and disrespectful and he no longer allows any through traffic on this stretch of road through his property. He will allow emergency services to pass through and neighbors that need to access their property and will continue to honor an agreement with the DNR and Grand Marais Sno trails for a groomed trail on this section in the winter. Many community members in attendance were upset by this closure and asked the township to get involved to see if we have any power to stop this from being closed. Board agreed to investigate and seek legal counsel. Mr. Bennett has secured the counsel of Nebel and Nebel out of Munising if anyone has any questions.

Other: none

Public Comment: none

Adjournment: 12:10 PM

Respectfully submitted June 28, 2024

Lori McShane, Clerk