

TROUT LAKE TOWNSHIP

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Supervisor: David Blake-Thomas
Clerk: David Hillman
Treasurer: Joseph Boudreau
Trustee: Laura Simpson
Trustee: Gary Loomis

Township Board Meeting, August 9, 2022 Minutes

Attendance: 14

Meeting at the Township Hall called to order at 6:30 PM, by Supervisor Blake-Thomas. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Roll Call of Board Members David Blake-Thomas, Joseph Boudreau, Gary Loomis, Laura Simpson and David Hillman present. A quorum of the Township Board was in attendance.

1. **Motion** by Trustee Loomis to approve the general meeting minutes July 12, 2022 as written. Second Trustee Simpson Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comments:

1. Township is the sponsor for campground events with donations accepted from participants.
2. The old propane tank might be used at the Chapel in the future.
3. The Township Board does not require the Pride Committee organization to carry liability insurance.
4. Shytte Creek Bridge Walk the day before Labor Day in conjunction with Fire Department Open House with dedication of a memorial sign to be placed on the bridge.

Clerk Report: David Hillman, Clerk

1. Detailed expense report dated August 9, 2022 for items totaling \$19,252.82 was presented.
2. CCRC report striping on H40 and Wegwas Road is planned for Summer 2023. Applied for and received the CCRC \$1000 brine contribution for 2022 application.
3. **Motion** by Trustee Simpson to approve the Clerk report. Second Trustee Loomis Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Treasure Report: Joseph Boudreau, Treasurer

1. Bank balance report dated August 9, 2022 with a total of \$517,489.12 was presented.
2. Summer taxes are being collected on Saturday 11 to 3 pm.
3. **Motion** by Clerk Hillman to approve the Treasurer report. Second Trustee Loomis Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Fire Department Report: John Clark, Fire Chief

1. One run for the month of July.
2. 800 MHz radio installed on the pumper. Invoice has not be received for installation.
3. Fire Department meeting Dave Sharp, Dennis McGowan, Sean Waybrandt, Laken Waybrandt, Rod Butson, John Clark and David Blake-Thomas present.
4. All tires on fire vehicles must be replaced every 7 years. Tanker and pumper needs front tires. UP Tire quote \$3012.10 for both sets. Mark's Tire \$1252.30 for one set and one at \$1126.20. **Motion** by Supervisor Blake-Thomas to approve the purchase of two tires sets from Mark's Tire. Second Trustee Loomis Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**
5. Airbag suspension lift for the new pickup from Seltzers Automotive quoted at \$1686.00 and Line-X at \$905. **Motion** by Supervisor Blake-Thomas to approve the purchase of air lift suspension from Line-X. Second Treasurer Boudreau Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**
6. New nozzle for the mini-pumper was purchased \$502.41 to replace one broken during fire call.
7. NFIRS Fire Report was entered for the month
8. Hotdog sales at both the Cornhole event in the campground on August 20th and the Shytte Creek Bridge walk September 4th at 12 pm along with Fire Station Open House for equipment and facility display.
9. Reminder to check the DNR web site for burn advisory as fire risk is high
10. If interested in joining the Fire Department call John Clark 906-203-0621 for an application.
11. **Motion** by Trustee Simpson to approve the Fire Chief report. Second Trustee Loomis Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Park Report:

1. Year-to-date booking at the campground has exceeded \$75,000 for the 2022 season.

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2. Cornhole tournament April 20th with prizes and trophies. Entry fees and proceeds will go to a new Trout Lake Firefighters fund. Saturday evening "Three Wisemen" band. All are invited.
3. Fall Fest at the campground will be Friday September 30 and Saturday October 1st. Movie on Friday and "Crossroads" band on Saturday night. Campers and all locals are encourage to participate.
4. **Motion** by Supervisor Blake-Thomas to approve the purchase of a new Mahindra 1626 tractor for \$22,825. Second Trustee Loomis Roll call vote: Supervisor Blake-Thomas 'yes', Treasurer Boudreau 'yes', Trustee Loomis 'yes', Trustee Simpson 'yes', Clerk Hillman 'yes' All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**
5. **Motion** by Supervisor Blake-Thomas to approve the purchase of a slightly used commercial leaf vacuum for \$1500. Second Treasurer Boudreau Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**
6. **Motion** by Trustee Loomis to approve the park report. Second Trustee Simpson Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Ambulance Report: Supervisor Blake-Thomas

1. Two EMS calls to Trout Lake in the last month.
2. Land for the new EMS facility in St Ignace was acquired for \$1.
3. **Motion** by Treasure Boudreau to approve the ambulance report. Second Trustee Simpson Voice vote: All yes with no 'Nay' votes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business:

1. The old kitchen propane tank will not be sold at this time.
2. The townhall generator plumbing change may be accomplished with the acquisition of appropriate parts.

New Business:

1. Trout Lake Trail Riders – New ORV organization to maintain 68 miles of local trails with DNR sponsor

Board Member Comments:

Trustee Loomis - Schedule for the townhall floor refinishing is set for weekends of September 10th and September 17th. Help will be needed to clear the hall floor of tables and chairs on September 16th. Join in if you can.

Trustee Simpson - Appreciation expressed for the work maintaining the Cemetery, Mini-park and main street as they look beautiful.

Clerk Hillman - FOIA for 2020 Election Information completed with the support of Laura Simpson, Laura Sindles, and Gary Loomis – Successful elections thanks to Laurie Simpson, Gary and Loretta Loomis, Deb Newland, Patrice Roe, Sandra Carruthers, Walter Tweedie, Laura Sindles and Annie Hillman.

Supervisor Blake-Thomas - Labor Day Mackinac Bridge walk will be supported by the Trout Lake EMS and equipment.

Motion made by Treasurer Boudreau to pay the bills as submitted by Clerk Hillman. Second Trustee Loomis Motion approved unanimously by the Board Members in attendance with a voice vote.

Motion made by Supervisor Blake-Thomas to adjourn. Second Trustee Simpson. Voice approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hillman
Trout Lake Township Clerk