

ARVON TOWNSHIP ANNUAL/BUDGET MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor James Soli called the March 27, 2014 Annual/Budget meeting to order that was held at the Skanee Fire Hall at 6:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: James Soli-Supervisor, Kathy Drue-Treasurer, Lisa Marinich-Clerk, Keith Erickson-Trustee-absent, Karl Gipp-Trustee

ROLL CALL: Taken at 6:00 p.m.

MARCH 26, 2013 MINUTES APPROVAL: Joanne Erickson motioned, seconded by Nancy Soli, to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2013 meeting. All in favor, motion passed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Kelly Erickson motioned, seconded by Joanne Erickson, to approve the Agenda. All in favor, motion passed.

SUPERVISOR'S TOWNSHIP UPDATE: Supervisor Soli presented the Townships updates.

-The Township hired CD Lawn Care to clean up the Skanee Cemetery. The cost was \$1,000.00.

-The Metro Act money bought Skanee and Aura Welcome signs.

-Pat Coleman from UP Engineers helped the Township apply for a DNR Grant and a Passport Grant for the Skanee Park boat launch. If granted either one, the Township will have to match 25% which would be approximately \$17,000.

-The Planning Committee has finished the Township Ordinance and will be submitting it the the Board at the next months regular meeting for approval.

-The Township gave U.P.S.E.T. \$500.00 for their enforcement team.

-The Veterans Memorial Monument has been completed and Roland Erickson has finished putting all the names in the cases. There will be a dedication service on the 4th of July this year.

-A new Fire Hall has been discussed this year. One option is to add on the existing building and the other option is to build a new one.

-Money has been budgeted for replacing the broken windows at the Town Hall. Will be putting bids out in the spring.

-The Skanee Cemetery has been expanded. Trees taken out and roots have been removed, Soli expects the new growth will take over. He would like to see the new expansion sprayed to poison them. Sue Bollech and Kathy Drue oppose spraying it with poison. Soli will ask the Extension office if there is something less harmful to the environment.

TOWNSHIP HALL MAINTENANCE: The Town Hall porch floor is in need of repair.

DEPOSITORY: Joanne Erickson motioned, seconded by Nancy Soli, to stay with Superior National Bank and Baraga Co. Credit Union as the Township depositories. All in favor, motion passed.

SALARY APPROVAL: The Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer salary is \$6,500.00 per year The Trustees per meeting is at \$55.00. Nancy Soli motioned, seconded by Lisa Marinich to approve the salaries. All in favor, motion passed.

DATES, TIMES, LOCATION OF REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS: Nancy Soli motioned, seconded by Kelly Erickson to keep the dates, times and location of the Townships regular monthly Board meetings. (First Monday of the month at the Skanee Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.). When the Town Hall is closed winter months, the meeting will be held at the Skanee Fire Hall. All in favor, motion passed.

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATES: Joanne Erickson motioned, seconded by Karl Gipp to approve the Federal Government rate per mile for reimbursement. All in favor, motion passed.

TOWN HALL/FIRE HALL RENTAL FEES AND AGREEMENTS: Kelly Erickson motioned, seconded by Bette Gabe to keep the rental fee for the downstairs and upstairs of the Town Hall at \$75.00 each and leave the deposit fee for alcohol at \$100.00. Rental of the Fire Hall is \$50.00 and a \$100.00 deposit for alcohol. This service will be free to all Fire Dept members. All in favor, motion passed.

CEMETERY LOT FEES: Joanne Erickson motioned, seconded by Linnea Barron to leave the cemetery lot fees at \$100.00 for the taxpayers of Arvon township. All in favor, motion passed.

BOARD OF REVIEW/ZONING BOARD/ELECTION BOARD SALARIES: Board of Review wage is \$12.00/hr with paid lunch. Election chairperson wage is \$10.50/hr, the Election members wage is \$10.00/hr with a \$5.00 lunch reimbursement. The Zoning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals chairperson is \$35.00, clerk \$30.00, Zoning Board members \$25.00 per meeting. Any training for the Board of Review, Zoning Boards or the Election Board will be paid \$25.00 for a half day (up to 4 hours) and \$50.00 for a full day (over 4 hours) plus mileage. Joanne Erickson motioned, second by Marinich to approve the board wages. All in favor, motion passed.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: Ethal Kovala asked if the Township could rent a portable toilet at the Skanee Cemetery for the summer months. Drue thought that the Kallio Fund would consider helping with the cost. Kelly Erickson would like to see one put at the Skanee Ball Field. Bette Gabe asked about the Grant application for the Skanee Park. Marinich hasn't heard from Pat Coleman.

ANNUAL MEETING ADJOURNMENT: Karl Gipp motioned, seconded by Kelly Erickson, to adjourn the Annual meeting at 6:25 P.M. All in favor, motion passed.

BUDGET MEETING: Supervisor James Soli called the 2013-2014/2014-2015 Budget meeting to order at 6:25 P.M. at the Township Fire Hall. Kathy Drue read through the revised budget of 2013-2014. Lisa Marinich motioned, seconded by Karl Gipp to approve the revised budget of 2013-2014. All in favor, motion passed. Kathy Drue read through the Budget of 2014-2015. Karl Gipp motioned, seconded by Kathy Drue to approve the 2014-2015 Budget. All in favor, motion passed.

TOWNSHIP BILL APPROVAL: Karl Gipp motioned, seconded by Kathy Drue to approve paying the bills. All in favor, motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT: Karl Gipp motioned, seconded by Lisa Marinich to adjourn the Budget meeting at 6:45 P.M. All in favor, motion passed.

Lisa M. Marinich
Arvon Township Clerk