

Special Board Meeting
October 8, 2008

A Special meeting of the Chocolay Township Board was held on Wednesday October 8, 2008 at the Chocolay Township Office, 5010 U. S. 41 South, Marquette, MI. Supervisor Seppanen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD.

PRESENT: Greg Seppanen, Arlene Hill, John Greenberg, John Trudeau, Don Britton, Ken Tabor, Dan Maki.
ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Thum, Mary Sanders, Tom Murray, Brad Johnson, Mike Summers, Greg Zybert.

MINUTES – None.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

Delete MIOSHA – this will be on the October 20th agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

None.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – None.

PERSONNEL POLICY REVISIONS.

Trudeau moved, Greenberg second to concur with the recommendations of the personnel committee, by implementing the restructuring plan of the Department of Public Works, adopt the proposed pay grid and the proposed changes to the personnel policy as presented (with one change in 5.2 Compensation – Starting salaries or wages shall be based upon “Appendix L” and as determined by the Personnel Administrator and Township Board).

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Trudeau moved, Britton second to create a new position of DPW Foreman to assist the DPW Supervisor, act in his/her behalf during his/her absence and provide supervision to the full time and seasonal maintenance workers. One addition to the new job description-

19. This position is a working foreman and will perform all the duties of a general maintenance worker.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Greenberg moved, Trudeau second to start the DPW foreman wage at pay grade 3 - \$16.72 per hour.

AYES: Trudeau, Britton, Greenberg, Maki, Tabor, Hill, Seppanen.

NAYS: None MOTION CARRIED.

DPW SUPERVISOR HIRING/SELECTION.

Trudeau moved Britton second, to hire Steve Lawry to fill the position of Chocolay Township Department of Public Works Supervisor.

AYES: 3 NAYS: 4 MOTION FAILED.

Greenberg moved, Maki second to concur with the Chocolay Township Supervisor for the hiring of Denny Magadanz to fill the position of Chocolay Township Department of Public Works Supervisor.

AYES: 4 NAYS: 3 MOTION CARRIED.

EWING PINES SEWER REPAIR.

Britton moved, Maki second to pay A & A Drain a total of \$3,500.00 to repair the sewer lines at Ewing Pines.

AYES: Maki, Tabor, Hill, Trudeau, Britton, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None MOTION CARRIED.

HEALTH INSURANCE.

Supervisor Seppanen gave a presentation to the Board on how the health insurance budget and insurance rates in Chocolay Township have not changed from 2004 to 2008 because of changes the Township has made to the insurance package throughout the years. In 2009 we will again make a change (to an HRA with a higher deductible) to keep the rates down.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Pat Martin, 621 Lakewood Lane – asked the Board if the Township has an ethics policy. Does the Board have a policy on concealed weapons?

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk