

# Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes held by Standish Township Board 9-12-22

Standish Township

P.O. Box 472 Standish MI 48658

Bob North-Supervisor, Susan Kohn-Treasurer, Shara Klenk-Clerk, Bobbi Lynch-Trustee, Ryan Klenk-Trustee

**Meeting called to order:** by Mr. North at 6:00pm.

**Present:** Bobbi Lynch, Robert North, And Sue Kohn Absent: Ryan Klenk & Shara Klenk

**Agenda as presented:** Motion to accept the agenda as presented: made by Sue Kohn and supported by Bobbi Lynch.

3 Ayes 0 Nays

**Minutes:** Motion to accept meeting minutes for meeting held July 11, 2022. Motion made by Sue and supported by Bobbi, with a vote of 3 Ayes and 0 Nays. Motion carried.

**Announcements None**

**Committee or officers' reports:**

1. Trustee-Ryan- Absent
2. Trustee-Bobbi- Attended the MTA Meeting July 21, 2022 at the Deep River Hall. Vantage Plastics gave a presentation on Outreach Programs they offer to the community. Dawn Hergott spoke about programs they are doing with the Arenac Conservation District.
3. Planning- Planning sent a copy of the Master plan and a copy of the Zoning and Ordinance to Bob. We will post the changes on line after we review them.
4. Zoning- Harold-

## Land use permits and complaints

1. 7-6-2022 issued land use permit 2975 Pine River road to build pole barn 40 foot X 64 foot
2. 7-11-2022 received email of well and septic permit
3. 7-11-2022 issued land use permit 4637 LA Clair road const. new modular home 27 foot X 70 foot
4. 7-14-2022 email on flood insurance from FEMA
5. 7-18-2022 received a complaint of a six foot fence constructed
6. 7-24-2022 email asking questions on zoning of a garage
7. 7-26-2022 received email to confirm received email complaint from 7-18-2022
8. 7-27-2022 issued land use permit 1704 Pine River road addition to barn
9. 7-29-2022 issued land use permit 1710 Pine River road addition 24 foot X 37 foot
10. 8-2-2022 email questions on zoning
11. 8-2-2022 email asking about loud noises and racing
12. 8-11-2022 email follow up on blight Wells Addition area
13. 8-15-2022 email question on Solar ordinance
14. 8-16-2022 email on MTA webinar
15. 8-25-2022 issued land use permit 2126 Whites Beach road for demolition of trailer house
16. 8-29-2022 follow up email on Solar ordinance

5. Treasurer-Sue- Beginning balance of \$ 2,313,100.92, Revenue of \$ 229,385.92, Expenses of \$ 677,479.69 and ending balance of \$ 1,865,007.15.16 with CD's totaling \$246,484.61.

A motion to accept the Treasurers report barring an audit; Motion made by Bobbi supported by Sue. 3 ayes 0 nays.

6. **Approval to pay the book of bills:** Motion made by Bobbi and supported by Sue to pay the book of bills for August and September. 3 Ayes 0 Nays

7. Clerk-Shara-Absent

8. Supervisor-Mr. North read from a letter the Township received from the SCIT. The Township drafted a letter to terminate the Contract with the Tribe. At the same time the Tribe drafted and sent a letter to the Township requesting the same. The Township did not agree with the following proposal from the Tribe; The tribe wanted a flow limiting valve installed at the point of delivery limiting the water flow rate to be 25 gallons per minute.

The Tribe wanted the Township to pay for some upgrades to their system totaling \$956,000.00.

The Tribe wanted 18 months to make the upgrades and not allow us to connect until the upgrades were finished. They wanted to raise the Water/Sewer Rate to \$13.40 per thousand gallons of water and \$16.75 per thousand gallons of sewer based on 80% of metered water.

This was not acceptable to the Township.

We will reach out to other Entities in search of a source for Water and Sewer.

We have reviewed potential Grant offers and will move forward trying to secure a Grant for the additional project. The district will remain as it stands now. We may be adding to it as the project unfolds.

Blight issues stopped for 2022. Need to be revamped the process with planning for 2023?

**Old business:** None

**New business:**

1. Road commission Culvert Cost Share: Road improvement project on Armstrong Rd, culvert cost half of the \$3900.00. Township agreed to pay the half the cost. Motion made and supported 3 Ayes to 0 Nays
2. Charitable Exemption Resolution: Motion made to adopt by Bobbi supported by Sue. Vote Roll Call: Sue-yes, Bob-yes, Bobbi –yes Resolution to adopt was passed.
3. Tax Foreclosure Hardship Application Resolution. Motion made to adopt by Sue, supported by Bobbi. Vote Roll Call: Sue-yes, Bob-yes, and Bobbi –yes. Resolution to adopt was passed.
4. Waiver for non-filing of Property Transfer Affidavits Resolution. Motion made to adopt by Sue, supported by Bobbi. Roll call vote: Sue-yes, Bob-yes, Bobbi- yes. Resolution to adopt was passed.
5. Water sewer Change order 5. To move funds for water tank and pump. Motion was made by Sue supported by Bobbi. Vote Roll call: Sue-yes, Bob-yes, Bobbi- yes. Motion carried and was passed.
6. Discuss purchasing Water and Sewer from Pinconning Township, The City of Pinconning and The City of Standish. Motion made by Sue, supported by Bobbi. Roll call vote: Sue-yes, Bob-yes, Bobbi –yes. Motion to pursue talks with the Entities passed.

Approval of payment request 11. Chris Townley Engineering \$17862.50 Rohde Bros. \$182, 721, 10. Motion made by Sue and seconded by Bobbi passed 3 Ayes 0 Nays.

**Public Comment:**

1. Cecil Magnus: Is this water and sewer going to be discussed with Pinconning Township or City of Pinconning?  
**YES**

2. Pete Jenkins: Asked about the people who paid up front for the water sewer project. **The cost of the current infrastructure has not changed therefore the current assessment stays the same.**
3. Jim Hergott: He wanted to commend and supports the board for all of the efforts and hard work. Also, that a couple neighbors may be interested in hooking up to the water / sewer project.
4. MaryEllen Kielpinski inquired about using the lagoon method. **At this time the cost is too great, we are exploring other options.**
5. Dawn Hergott shared information about projects that the Soil Conservation district is doing. **Can be seen on their website.**
6. Mary Ellen Kielpinski asked about a target date for the water tank or tower. **The target is October 2022**
7. George Altman asked if the water tank/tower would be operational by winter. **We are striving for just that. Bob thanked George and Deb K. for the information they gathered regarding the water /sewer project.**

Mr. North thanked all that attended for their Questions and applauded them for their conduct in these hard times.

**Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Sue and supported by Bobbi time is 7:10pm.

Prepared by: Bobbi Lynch