

**Charter Township of Marquette  
Marquette Township Board – Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 6:30 P.M.  
Marquette Township Community Center**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Durant at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Members present:     Lyn Durant, Supervisor  
                              Randy Ritari, Clerk  
                              Ernest Johnson, Treasurer  
                              Dave Wiegand, Trustee  
                              Dan Everson, Trustee  
                              John Markes, Trustee  
                              Pete LaRue, Trustee

Staff present:         Randy Girard, Township Manager  
                              Roger Zappa, Township Attorney

**Committee**

Members Present:     Todd Carruth, Recreation Committee

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENT IN RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of December 27, 2018 and January 02, 2019
- B. Bills Payable
  1. Checks 157470 to 157519 in the amount of \$118,220.16.
- C. Received Committee and Other Reports
  1. Water Production Report – December 2018
  2. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board Meeting Minutes of November 08, 2018
  3. Sheriff’s Department Activity Report – December 2018
  4. Fire Department Activity Report – December 2018
  5. Recreation Committee Approved Minutes of November 20, 2018 and DRAFT Minutes of December 18, 2018
  6. Roads Committee Approved Minutes of December 04, 2018 and DRAFT Minutes of January 02, 2019

7. Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority Agenda for January 16, 2019; DRAFT Minutes of December 12, 2018; and banking Information from December 2018
  8. Peter White Public Library Township Advisory Council Minutes of September 05, 2018
  9. Budget Amendment No. 2018 - 16
  10. Supervisor's Report
- D. Financials
1. Preliminary Financial Statement – December 2018

**MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**Motion – Trustee Markes**

**Second – Trustee LaRue**

**Ayes - 7**

**Nays - 0**

**Carried**

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Trustee Wiegand, commented on agenda item 8.C. and recommended a wording change to the agenda item.

**MOTION: To approve the Agenda as amended.**

**Motion – Clerk Ritari**

**Second – Trustee Markes**

**Ayes - 7**

**Nays - 0**

**Carried**

**BOARD EDUCATION/PRIVILEGED COMMENT:**

Staff Reports, No Reports from Fire Department, Public Works, and Assessing.

Roger Zappa, Township Attorney, gave a brief update on what he has been working on for the township.

**COMMUNITY LINKAGE:**

Trustee LaRue, commented that Affected Township Residents have a hired an Attorney for complaints against the Marquette Energy Center – Board of Light and Power.

**POLICY DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND DEVELOPMENT:**

Consider ParPlan General Liability Insurance Renewal Proposal

(Background from Manager Girard)

**MOTION:** To accept the MTA ParPlan proposed renewal rate of \$25,494.00 for 2019 and authorize the Manager to sign and execute the document.

Motion – Trustee Markes

Second – Trustee LaRue

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

Consider PILOT Ordinance and Services Agreement for Whetstone

**MOTION:** To move the proposed PILOT Ordinance and Services Agreement for Whetstone to the next regular meeting for consideration.

Motion – Trustee Wiegand

Second – Trustee Markes

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

Discussion of Policies for Operational Reserves, Contingency Funds, Emergency Reserves, and Fund Balances

**MOTION:** To direct the Manager to present background information, policy options, definitions, and recommendations for the Board's consideration regarding; Operational Reserves, Emergency Reserves, and Contingency Funds. Recommendations presented should include: 1. Definitions, 2. Identification of applicable funds, to include, recommended funding level within each fund, 3. Guidelines for Fund use. Background information shall include fiscal impact, current funding level (if any), and remaining (unbudgeted) fund balances, ad appropriate.

Motion – Trustee Wiegand

Second – Trustee Markes

Ayes - 7

Nays - 0

Carried

**MOTION:** To direct the Manager to provide background information and recommendations concerning inter-fund loans for the expressed purpose of reducing financial liabilities and interest paid within outstanding debt. Background information shall consider both enterprise and non-enterprise funds.

**Motion – Trustee Wiegand**  
**Second – Trustee Everson**

**Ayes - 7**  
**Nays - 0**

**Carried**

Consider Memo from the Supervisor on Structural Planning Items for Consideration 2019-2020  
(Background Memo from Supervisor Durant)

Various discussion from the Township Board.

Board is prioritize and express level of interest for each item and send back to Supervisor for updating the Memo.

ASSURANCE OF ORGANIZATIONAL PERFORMANCE:

Pulled items from the consent agenda: None

Board – Committee Updates

Trustee Wiegand, gave a brief update from the Roads, and Planning Commission meetings.

Committee Appointments - None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MEETING WRAP-UP:

Announcements

Trustee Markes, commented on the report in the packet about the Township Drinking Water, and we are in good shape.

Manager’s Report

Manager Girard, presented a written report to the board which covered the Community Events Committee, Lions Field Recreation Area, DDA, US41/M-28 Corridor Committee, and Zoning Board of Appeals Information.

Review of Motions Passed & Assignments, if any

Clerk Ritari, reviewed all motions from the meeting and any action items that needed to be done.

Items for Future Agenda (Contributions from Board, deferred items, items planned for future meetings scheduled for January/February) – Whetstone PILOT, Report for Fund Balance for Loans, and Intermix of Funds from the Manager.

Board Member Comment

Trustee LaRue, commented about the upcoming Marquette County Township Meeting, and the Township Planning Meeting, and if any Board Members are interested in the upcoming Michigan Township Annual Conference.

ADJOURMENT:

**MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion – Clerk Ritari**

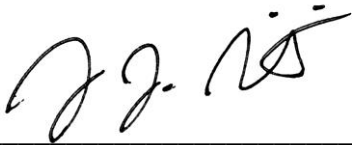
**Second – Trustee Everson**

**Ayes - 7**

**Nays - 0**

**Carried**

Supervisor Durant declared the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.



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**Randy J. Ritari, Township Clerk**

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**Lyn J. Durant, Township Supervisor**