

St. James Township Board Regular (RESCHEDULED) Meeting – St. James Township Hall – 37735 Michigan Avenue
Beaver Island, MI 49782 - March 8, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Kathleen McNamara, Alice Belfy, Jeff Powers, Travis Martin
Board Member absent: Diane McDonough

Kitty added to the agenda: Bud Martin and Rick Speck.

Motion to accept all three sets (January 30, 2017, Special Meeting; February 2, 2017, Regular Meeting; and February 13, 2017, Special Meeting) of meeting minutes (KM), 2nd (TM), Approved

Finance – McNamara reported that approximately \$30,000 of State of Michigan automatic deposits were incorrectly deposited into the Municipal Dock Fund. Once it is determined what accounts these deposits belong to, a transfer will be made from the Municipal Fund into the appropriate accounts. Kitty has 10:00 a.m. appointments set up with two insurance companies on March 15 and 20. These will be posted as finance meetings.

Alice reviewed our phone lines and a few that weren't being used have been removed.
The Lighthouse project might require some general funds. Kitty will update after meeting with Elaine West.

Motion to approve the bills to be paid (AB), 2nd (JP), Approved.

Correspondence – Beaver Island Emergency Service Authority (BIESA) received a \$20,000 grant towards a new emergency car.

Bud Martin presented that he'd like to see a flag pole on the water side of St. James Township's Hall and also presented the idea and a drawing of having a public boat launch built on the township property near the CMU Boat House. Rick Speck gave a summary of the meeting he attended regarding medical marijuana. There is nothing the township is required to do, although they may want to get public opinion in the next few months.

Motion to formally set the campground fee at \$10 per night (KM), 2nd (TM), Approved.

Alice is authorized to review, revise and post for summer lawn maintenance. It will then come back to the board for approval.

Supervisor Report – Deputy Supervisor Patrick Cull has added information about the dock and reservation system to the township webpage. Darryl Butler has been working with Rob Turner on a proposal to replace the street lights with LED bulbs. The MI Township State Conference is April 10-13 in Lansing, for any board member who would like to attend. McNamara will be attending. A community volunteer has offered to trim the cedars in the pocket gardens in town. Kitty will get more information regarding the specifics.

Joe More asked about the DNR dock reservation system.

Ed Wojan commented that LED lights have come a long way and suggested that all townships should be replacing all lights in every township building.

Motion to adjourn (JP), 2nd (AB), Approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Boyle, Deputy Clerk
St. James Township, Beaver Island
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY, Michigan