

**Forsyth Township Board  
Regular Meeting  
June 23, 2011  
Emergency Services Building**

Clerk Filizetti-Hartzell called the Regular Meeting of the Forsyth Township Board to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**Board Members Present:** Clerk Filizetti-Hartzell, Treasurer Nordeen, Trustees Armatti & Roberts.

**Board Members Absent:** Supervisor Minelli

**Also Present:** Attorney Kevin Koch, township employees & interested citizens.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts and unanimously carried to accept the May 26, 2011 Meeting minutes as presented with the following corrections: Under Agenda change UPGA to UPEA, under Attorney's Report change Barringer to Barriger, change "W" heading to EDC. June 14, 2011 Special Meeting minutes accepted with the following corrections: Under Library Information change 3 to 2 and remove closed session at end of minutes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Comments received included a concern about ATV's and Snowmobiles going across Anthony Street and that area becoming more of an ORV trail. Suggestions for putting up a Non-Motor Vehicle sign was brought up as well as the safety and liability of residents in that area. Clerk Filizetti-Hartzell referred issue to Chief of Police to see if a barricade could be put up.

**Agenda:** Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti & unanimously carried approving the June 23<sup>rd</sup> agenda with the following additions: under Discussion Items add Flatbed Truck; Action Items add Bunker Gear Grant and Hire Part Time Police Officer; Correspondence add Purchase Letter of Intent. Motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

The following reports were accepted and placed on file:

**Ambulance:** Report placed on file

**Assessing/Zoning:** Report placed on file

**Clubhouse:** Report placed on file

**Fire Department:** Report placed on file; see Action Items 13c, 13d and 13e

**Library:** Report placed on file

**Police Department:** Report placed on file, see action item 13g

**Public Works Department:** None

**Senior Citizen Director:** Report placed on file

**Treasurers Report:** None

**Attorneys' Report:** The Barriger case is resolved. They may seek appeal to the Supreme Court and that will be determined within the next 42-43 days. Attorney recommends we contact them and Mr. Britton regarding blockades and to get clarity on the issue. The Mancee pretrial was held and they have not done a trial request so a hearing will be scheduled. The accident when the Learning Center roof fell in will be appealed to the Supreme Court.

Approval of Bills & Vouchers: Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti & unanimously carried approving bills in the amount of \$20,781.40 and vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

**Forsyth Township  
Bills to be Approved  
23-June-11**

<b>Vendor</b>		
A. Lindberg & Sons	Clay/Silt-Little Lake Ballfield	265.88
Airgas	Rentals & Supplies-EMS & Public Works	205.17
Aramark Uniform Services	Carpet/Uniform Service	666.92
Auto Value	Misc. Parts/Supplies	312.16
Beauchamp Plumbing & Heating	Repairs-Water & Office	436.50
Bergdahl's Inc.	Pump-Water; Lawn Care Equip-Cemetery & Parks	2,077.86
City of Marquette	Water Analysis	80.00
City Sales	SCBA Inspection & Refills-Fire	165.00
Cooper Office Equipment	Quarterly Copier Maintenance-Senior Center	270.00
Crossroads Truck Repair & Towing	Parts for Garbage Truck	15.56
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Supplies	275.00
Fraco Concrete Products	Concrete-Ballfield & Water Repair	786.26
Galls	Police Equipment	106.57
Hannula Agency	Fire Department Insurance	1,410.00
Iron Bay Computer, Design & Internet	Annual Domain for Website	119.85
Joe & Sons	Tires-Police	484.32
Kevin Koch, PC	Attorney Fees	1,774.27
Lasco	Computer Network Changes-Police	285.00
Marquette County Equalization Department	Digital Parcel Layer-Assessor	650.00
Marquette General health Systems	EMS Supplies	454.03
Menards	Supplies-Bldgs/Grnds, Ballfields & Water	1,270.73
North Country Disposal	Plastic Recycling	150.00
Northern Michigan University	Training-Police	40.00
Petty Cash	Supplies-Library, Police, Water, Tourist Park	120.13
Postmaster	Annual Post Office Box Rental-Office	100.00
Quartermaster	Uniforms/Equipment-Police	54.98
Quill Corporation	Office Supplies-Senior Ctr, Office, Police, Assessor	273.30
Range Telecommunications	Miss Dig Services	18.50
State of Michigan	Boiler Certification Fee-Clubhouse	60.00
The Mining Journal	Subscription-Senior Ctr & Publications	645.65
The Office Planning Group	Annual Copier & Fax Maintenance-Police	577.02
Winder Police Equipment	Widow Guards-Police	160.93

**14,311.59**

Forsyth Township  
 Bills to be Approved  
 Additions  
 23-June-11

**Vendor**

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	Purpose	Amount
Ace Hardware	Misc Parts/Supplies	749.25
Clarey's Safety Equipment	Hose-Fire	548.69
Dalco	Floor Mats-Clubhouse	41.00
Galls	Uniform Allowance & Equipment-Police	367.93
Les Badge, Professional Surveyor	Surveying at Tourist Park	2,075.00
Marquette General Health Systems	EMS Supplies	401.22
Menards	Supplies-Senior Center	47.94
Menominee Granite Company	Paver Bricks	83.44
Michigan Department of State	Notary for C. Denessen	10.00
North Country Disposal	Recycling & Garbage Truck for Transfer Station	1,576.85
Quill Corporation	Office Supplies-Assessor	141.22
Range Telecommunications	Pager Repairs & Accessory-Fire	104.05
Range Telecommunications	Radio Repairs-EMS	192.85
Snyders	Supplies-Cemetery & Police	130.37
		6,469.81
	Original Bill Listing	14,311.59
	Total Accounts Payable	20,781.40

Voucher Numbers for GO, Police, Clubhouse, Ambulance, Library, Water & Sewer: 57797-58043

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Change next Board Meeting: Changed next Board Meeting from July 28 to July 19, 2011

Flatbed Truck: Armatti discussed the fact that the Public Works flatbed truck needs to be replaced. He will contact Brett Ford to get prices on new and used flatbed trucks. Cost is roughly \$30-40,000 for a good used flatbed truck and \$70-75,000 for a new one. He will get the specs of what we need and possibly put out bids for a replacement flatbed truck. More discussion to be held at next Special Board Meeting, June 29, 2011.

**Old Business:**

None

**Action Items:**

Adopt Drug Policy: Tabled

Clubhouse/Senior Citizen Kitchen: Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts; Motion carried. Discussion with regards to individuals renting Clubhouse and using the kitchen. Items were in the refrigerator that we could have been written up for. Rental policy will be changed to state no use of Senior Citizen Kitchen and the kitchen will now be locked.

Request Board to pay \$2,000 for Marching Fees: Motion made by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, Motion carried to pay \$2,000 to the firemen for marching fees.

Request Board to pay \$500 for the band on 3<sup>rd</sup> of July: Motion made by Nordeen, supported by Filizetti-Hartzell. Motion carried to pay up to \$500 for the band on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Requesting a Matching Grant from the DNR for \$2,340: Motion made by Armatti, supported by Nordeen. Motion carried to match \$2,340 for extrication equipment.

Bunker Gear Grant: Filizetti-Hartzell made a motion to recommend the acceptance of Pomasl Fire Equipment, Inc. as the vendor to purchase seven sets of bunker gear at \$1,604.00 each for a total of \$11,228.00, supported by Nordeen. Motion carried for the Bunker Gear Grant.

Hire Police Officer: This will be brought up at Special Board Meeting on 6/28/11. Copies of applications need to be given to the Board members.

**Communication/Correspondence:**

Compliments given to Lynn for writing the letter to Keweenaw Bay Indian Community to get funds to purchase a new Police car.

Motion made by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Nordeen approving completion of Letter of Intent to American Wind & Energy to seek information regarding alternative energy. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Questions were asked about when the vehicles will go up for bid and that it's starting to look like a used car lot by transfer station.

**Board Comment:** Filizetti-Hartzell stated the Beautification Committee has been doing a great job watering since the sprinkler broke. Nordeen discussed the Fire Department Auxiliary and that it's open to all individuals. The FD Auxiliary will be doing a display of the bunker gear on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July along with the FD uniform display.

**Adjournment:** Filizetti-Hartzell adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Denessen  
Recording Secretary