Regular Meeting January 11, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.
Member Absent: Mike Sheehy, Trustee
Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of December 14th. Motion was supported by Dawn Pisoni. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the agenda with no additions was made by Amber Laturi and supported by Scott Tarsi. Motion carried.

Scott Tarsi read the assessor's report.

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of December.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Scott Tarsi supported by Amber Laturi. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:37 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Special Meeting February 28, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Trustee; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Amber Laturi, Clerk and Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer. Absent: Mike Sheehy.

The budget for the new fiscal year ending March 31, 2023 was discussed and completed. Budget amendments were discussed for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting February 8, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.
Member Absent: Mike Sheehy, Trustee
Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of January 11th. Motion was supported by Scott Tarsi. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the agenda with no additions was made by Amber Laturi and supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried.

Patti Peretto was present from the County.

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested. Scott Tarsi discussed the selling of the Township's old plow. Per the MTA this does not need to be bid out but the selling price cannot be less than it is worth. Motion made by Scott Tarsi to put ad in paper for the sale. Motion supported by Dawn Pisoni. Motion carried. 4-0.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of January.

Robert Chmielewski reported on the water and sewer departments. The cemetery will need to purchase new weed eaters.

The budget hearing and annual meeting will be held immediately following the regular meeting on March 8, 2022.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Scott Tarsi supported by Doug Bruster. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:24 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting March 8, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.
Member Absent: Mike Sheehy, Trustee
Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of February 8th and February 28th. Motion was supported by Scott Tarsi. Motion carried.

One addition to the agenda Iron County Pentoga Park Boat Launch Site Improvements. Motion to approve the agenda with one addition was made by Doug Bruster and supported by Amber Laturi. Motion carried.

The Township received a letter from Mark Stauber Board Chair for the Iron County Board of Commissioners asking for a letter of support for the county in pursuing grant funding which will defray the cost for improvements at the Pentoga Park Boat Launch. Motion was made by Scott Tarsi to send a letter of support to their project. Motion supported by Amber Laturi. Motion carried. 4-0

Dawn Pisoni in evaluating the interest rates on the accounts for the Township met with Nancy Johnson with Miners State Bank and is requesting the township close accounts #8180333, 8180341 and 8180366 account and transfer to new money market accounts. This will allow the accounts to receive a better interest rate. Motion was made by Dawn Pisoni and motion supported by Amber Laturi. Motion carried. 4-0

Motion made by Scott Tarsi to place on the August 2022 ballot the renewal of the operating millage and the renewal of the road millage for 3 years. Motion was supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried. 4-0

Motion to approve the budget amendments for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022 was made by Amber Laturi and supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried. 4-0

The County of Iron is looking to access and extract from assessing district parcel polygon data that includes Parcel Identification Number attribution, together with Public Land Survey System polygon data. The county is asking the Township for their information to be made available to the County, through the contractual services provided by Coleman Engineering for a period of 2 consecutive years to allow access to and extraction of PLSS data from the digital information of the Township to integrate into the County GIS. The County will pay $1200 per year to the Township for this information. Motion made by Doug Bruster and supported by Amber Laturi to agree to the 2 year agreement with the County. Motion carried. 4-0

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of February.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments.

Frank Butorac was present and told the board that he would like to resign from the Board of Review and the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. He has participated on these board for several years and would like to retire.

John Steitz was present. He is the owner of property on Gibbs City Road and discussed how he would like to know if he would be able to have a full year campground on his property. He has done this in other areas, and it has gone very well. He would like permission for 10 sites. He showed the Township his plans for the property. The Township will look into this and get back to him.

Mark Bromley from the ICECA was present and asked if there were any questions for him.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug Bruster supported by Amber Laturi. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting April 12, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.
Member Absent: Mike Sheehy, Trustee
Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of March 8th regular meeting and budget meetings. Motion was supported by Scott Tarsi. Motion carried.

Motion made by Amber Laturi to accept the agenda as written and supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried.

Patti Peretto from the County was present.

Motion made by Scott Tarsi to approve placing the millage language for the Windsor Recreation Authority on the August 2022 ballot. The Windsor Authority wishes to levy .5 mills for year 2023 to 2026. Motion supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried. 4-0

The board discussed the assessor, Kim Schmidt wishes to renew his contract until 9/30/22 as he is going to be retiring. We will ask Kim to help us with the wording of an ad to find a replacement. Motion made by Doug Bruster to renew his current contract until 9/30/22 and place an ad for his replacement. Motion supported by Scott Tarsi. Motion carried. 4-0

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of March.

Robert Chmielewski reported on the water and sewer departments. We will need to purchase 2 new flags for cemeteries and 1 new flag for the Township Hall and 2 loads of dirt for the cemetery.

We will wait to hear back from John Steitz regarding his plan for the property on Gibbs City Road of a full year campground on his property. Scott Tarsi did report that holding tanks are not allowed in Iron County. Dennis Tousignant reported that the township ordinance provides for campgrounds in this area, but it is done by submitting an application for a special exception use. The planning commission can approve or deny and can place terms and restrictions on an approval.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug Bruster supported by Amber Laturi. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:42 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting May 10, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of April 12th. Motion was supported by Mike Sheehy. Motion carried.

One addition to the agenda letter of interest received by Mark Weigand to become a member of the Planning commission, Zoning board of appeals and Board of Review. Motion made by Mike Sheehy to accept the agenda as written and supported by Amber Laturi. Motion carried.

Scott Tarsi read the assessor report.

Mark Weigand put in a letter of interest to become a member of the Planning commission, Zoning board of appeals and Board of Review. Motion made by Scott Tarsi and supported by Amber Laturi to have Mark Weigand fill the vacancy we have on each of these boards. Motion carried. 5-0

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of April.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments. They had the cemeteries cleaned up until we had all the windstorms. The storms broke the flagpole at the cemetery.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Scott Tarsi supported by Mike Sheehy. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:37 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting June 14, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer.

Members Absent: Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant — Legal.

Motion Inade by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of May 10th. Motion was supported by Mike Sheehy, Motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy to accept the agenda as written and supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried.

Scott Tarsi read the assessor report.

The County Commissioner was not in attendance.

Scott Tarsi did not attend the West Iron County Sewer Authority meeting and Windsor Center's meeting is next week. Scott received correspondence regarding a cooperative effort that jointly installed culverts by sewer lift station on Old Beechwood Road. The amount invoiced by Alexa Forest Products was $768.06 which represents 3 of the 6 culverts purchased by Alexa.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of May.

Bob Chmielewski thanked Scott for donating his time for the Culvert Project on Old Beechwood Road lift station. The flip phone that he has been using does not hold a charge. Scott said to talk to Amber about an arrangement with Jason's smart phone and township reimbursement.

Public Comment from Roger Millis complimenting the crew on their work at Resthaven Cemetery. Laura Erhart heard that Kim Schmidt is retiring. There has not been an ad in the paper yet, but she would like to be considered for the job of assessor. She distributed her resume' to board members. Larry Jackson discussed his issues with his neighbor.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug supported by Mike Sheehy. Motion carried, 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer

Regular Meeting July 12, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy to accept the minutes of June 14th. Motion was supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy and supported by Amber Laturi to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried. 5-0

Scott Tarsi read the assessor report.

Scott Tarsi reported to the board regarding a grant/loan program with EGLE for possible updates to lines, wells, tanks. Scott Tarsi will talk to Craig Richardson to help in the Township in the steps in applying.

Krist Oil is selling their 2015 F-250 with plow with approximately 155,000 miles for $55,000 they are asking for a down payment of 10% to hold the truck. Motion made by Mike Sheehy and supported by Doug Bruster to approve the purchase of the truck. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of June.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments. The township cell phone needs to be replaced. Jason Cole will go to Verizon and pick up a new one.

Ron Simmons was present. Ron reported 13 zoning permits issued to date. Ron discussed the violations he is currently dealing with. Property located on Nordstrom Road is now under new ownership and there has been no progress with the cleanup of the property. The board told Ron to follow the process and issue another violation since this issue has not been resolved. The other issue is with the owners on the highway with Jackson and Gurtner. The Gurtner's fence is in violation. Ron will issue an ordinance violation regarding 3 feet of fence needing to be removed on the Gurtner property running east to west.

The Township received 2 application for the assessor position. The board will setup a meeting to discuss the position.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Scott Tarsi supported by Doug Bruster. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned 7:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting August 9, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy to accept the minutes of July 12th. Motion was supported by Mike Sheehy. Motion carried.

Motion made by Amber Laturi and supported by to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried. 5-0

Scott Tarsi read the assessor report.

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of July.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments.

Ron Simmons was present. Ron reported 15 zoning permits issued to date. Ron discussed the violations he is currently dealing with.

Craig Richardson was present and discussed the grant/loan program with EGLE. Craig will complete the application at no cost and will provide the board with a proposal for the coming steps. Craig reported that the board will need to complete a capital improvement plan which he stated he will complete with Scott Tarsi. Motion made by Doug Bruster to approve Craig Richardson to complete the application for the Township and supported by Mike Sheehy. Motion carried. 5-0

The board will hold a special meeting on August 23, 2022, at 6:00 PM to discuss the assessor position.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Mike Sheehy supported by Doug Bruster. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:56 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting September 13, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the minutes of August 9th. Motion was supported by Mike Sheehy. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy and supported by Amber Laturi to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried. 5-0

Craig Richardson was present and discussed the EGLE grant/loan process. The township is required to complete an asset management plan. This needs to be a 5 year and 20-year plan. Dennis Tousignant will make a request for the township's digital records from GEI. Motion made by Amber Laturi to accept the proposal for $5,000 for completion of the asset plan. Motion supported by Doug Bruster. Roll Call taken. Motion carried. 5-0

Larry Jackson was present and has an ongoing issue with his neighbor. His neighbor is saying they are grandfathered in for the structure they have around the trees in the yard. Dennis Tousignant will look at the ordinance and see what can be done regarding this issue.

Greg Kramer was present and discussed an ordinance violation he recently received. Ron Simmons stated he received a complaint, a complaint with no name. Motion made by Doug Bruster to void the violation ticket because there was no name, and we don't accept them in this manner. Motion supported by Mike Sheehy. Motion carried. 5-0

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of August.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments.

Ron Simmons was present. Ron reported 19 zoning permits issued to date. Ron discussed the violations he is currently dealing with.

Zach Hautala from the ICECA was present to introduce himself and answer any questions.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug Bruster supported by Mike Sheehy. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned 7:28 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Amber Laturi, Clerk

Special Meeting August 15, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 5:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.

The board discussed the road millage and the possibility of placing on the November ballot an additional road millage. We currently have 1 mill for roads and currently must wait to build up money in order to complete a road project. If we were to pass an additional road millage this would allow the township to complete more roads. No action was taken at this time.

Meeting Adjourned 5:32 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting October 11, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy to accept the minutes of September 13th. Motion was supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried.

Motion made by Doug Bruster and supported by Mike Sheehy to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried. 5-0

Motion made by Doug Bruster to approve the propane bid received from Krist Oil. Motion was supported by Amber Laturi. Roll Call Taken. Motion carried. 5-0

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

Motion made by Doug Bruster to approve the purchase of a new township truck F-350 for $56,993. Motion supported by Mike Sheehy. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of September.

Jason Cole reported on the water and sewer departments.

Ron Simmons submitted a report on the zoning.

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Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug Bruster supported by Mike Sheehy. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:42 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Amber Laturi, Clerk

Special Meeting October 29, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 4:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer. Absent: Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy to increase the hourly pay for Jason Cole to $25 per hour effective with the October 30, 2022, payroll. Motion supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 4:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Amber Laturi, Clerk

Regular Meeting November 15, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Mike Sheehy, Trustee Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Absent : Amber Laturi, Clerk.

Present: Dennis Tousignant – Legal.

Motion made by Mike Sheehy to accept the minutes of October 11th. Motion was supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried. 4-0,

Motion made by Mike Sheehy and supported by Doug Sheehy to approve the agenda with the addition of No. 9 – 1.9-acre parcel offered for sale by Mike Kunchynski. Motion carried. 4-0

No Assessor's Report.

Scott Tarsi updated the board regarding his meeting with Craig Richardson of Wickwire and the submission of the project grant.

Motion made by Scott Tarsi to hire Ryker Johnson at $17.00 per hour with a monthly cash in lieu of health insurance stipend of $400. Motion was supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried 4-0. Ryker will begin work tomorrow. A meeting is set for Friday at 10:00 am for Scott Tarsi and Doug Bruster to review the risk management's recommendations with Jason and Ryker.

Mike Kunchynski would like to sell a 1.9-acre parcel w/garage on US 2 and Playground Road for an asking price of $54,000.00. Scott Tarsi said this parcel would be an excellent spot for a new warehouse that would consolidate water, sewer and cemetery operations. Motion made by Mike Sheehy to purchase the property subject to an appraisal that meets or exceeds the asking price. Motion supported by Doug Bruster. Roll Call. Motion carried 4-0.

Supervisor's Report: Scott Tarsi discussed the proposed Intergovernmental Water Service Agreement between the City of Iron River, the City of Caspian, the City of Gaastra, Iron River Township, Stambaugh Township and Bates Township.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of October.

Jason Cole reported on the water, sewer and cemetery departments. Jason presented a 2023 Tank Maintenance Project from MIDCO Diving & Marine Services. Motion made by Dawn Pisoni to contract with MIDCO for $10,794.00 to clean and inspect all three water tanks. Motion supported by Scott Tarsi. Roll Call. Motion carried 4-0.

No Zoning/Enforcement Office Report.

Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug Bruster supported by Mike Sheehy. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer

Regular Meeting December 13, 2022
Iron River Township Hall 6:00 PM

Members Present: Scott Tarsi, Supervisor; Doug Bruster, Trustee; Dawn Pisoni, Treasurer; Amber Laturi, Clerk. Absent: Mike Sheehy, Trustee

Present: Steve Polich – Legal.

Motion made by Amber Laturi to accept the minutes of November 15th. Motion was supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried.

Additions to the agenda were: Planning Commission member, Truck Bids and Patti Peretto. Motion made by Doug Bruster to accept the agenda with the additions and supported by Amber Laturi. Motion carried. 4-0

Motion made by Dawn Pisoni to approve Sharon Bruster as the new planning commission member. Motion was supported by Scott Tarsi. Roll Call Taken. Motion carried. 2-1 (Amber Laturi Opposed and Doug Bruster Abstained).

The Township received one bid for the 2002 Dodge Truck with Plow. The motion to accept the $500 bid from Ernest Reiman was made by Dawn Pisoni and motion supported by Doug Bruster. Motion carried. 4-0.

Patti Peretto from the County was present and updated the board on the New Construction Code hire of Jim Marcell.

Craig Richardson was present and updated the board on the EGLE project. Motion made by Scott Tarsi to approve moving forward with the Project Plan for the EGLE program for funding for water system improvements for $25,000 with Wickwire. Motion supported by Doug Bruster. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0. Craig also updated the board on the need to update the Wellhead Project Plan for a cost of $5,500. Motion to accept the proposal for the updating of the Wellhead Project Plan was made by Doug Bruster and supported by Dawn Pisoni. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Scott Tarsi reported on the West Iron County Sewer Authority and Windsor Center, reports are available if anyone in the public is interested.

The treasurer report was provided and no questions for the month of November.

Ryker Johnson reported on the water and sewer departments.

Ron Simmons submitted a report on zoning.
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Motion to approve the bills for the month was made by Doug Bruster supported by Amber Laturi. Roll call taken. Motion carried. 4-0.

Meeting Adjourned 6:42 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Amber Laturi, Clerk