

Ausable Township Board Meeting

August 13, 2022

9:00 AM

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll was called, all board members were present

A motion by Kurtis and a second by Ann to accept the minutes from July 2022, with a couple of clerical errors to be fixed, all in favor, motion carried.

The following balances were reported by the Treasurer in her report:

A. CD 1 (6287)	\$53,542.62
B. CD 2 (6311)	\$53,542.62
C. CD 3 (5037)	\$13,188.00
D. General Checking	\$37,691.57
E. Fire Account	\$33,184.84
F. General Savings	\$145,750.23
G. Tax Account	\$35,712.93

A motion by Kurtis and a second by Ann to accept Treasurers report as presented. All in favor, motion carried

Bills were presented for payment. A motion to pay the bills was made by Kathleen and a second by Kurtis. All in favor, motion carried.

Payroll \$5,405.28 Net pay \$4,462.12

EFTPS \$1,220.50 Liabilities Fed \$393.50 Medicare \$156.74 FICA \$670.26

MVW & Associates INC Assessors contract \$410.00

Kelly's clean cut \$1,120.00

Waste Management trash removal \$579.86

Consumers Energy Electric Bill \$58.72

Forward Energy \$101.00 Budget Plan 185941

MSC Residential Building \$50.00

ES&S \$340.00

Houghton Lake Resorter \$74.63

Tina Carpenter \$220.30 (election related)

Jessie Norton \$284.60 (election AM Chair)

Sarah Watson \$340.85 (election related)
William Wachowiak \$250.40 (election related)
Elizabeth Campbell \$84.20 (election related)
Ann Church \$84.20 (election related)
Adam Monk \$142.50 (election related)
Kathleen Wray \$120.00 (election related)
One stop Service \$1,700.00 tree work at cemetery and hall
Mio Fence \$4,748.00 moving fence at hall
Roscommon county treasurer \$3.99 pre adjustment
Top Notch Power Washing \$525.00 power wash hall
Jessie Norton \$60 Planning/Zoning
Brad Schwalm \$60 Planning/Zoning
James Mowbray \$60 Planning/Zoning
Debbie Sharpe \$60 Planning/Zoning
Mike Carpenter \$60 Planning/Zoning

Total \$18,244.03

Debit Card Purchase's

Verizon Wireless \$28.00 town hall phone (auto pay)
USPS \$120.00 2 rolls of stamps (election needs)
Meijer (Gaylord) \$74.18 Election Day supplies/Master Card supplies
Gillroys (St. Helen) Lock for 2nd gate keyed same as first lock \$24.29

Total \$246.39

Old Business:

Notice in paper once contract with Crawford County is in effect so residents know to contact them vs the State of Michigan. Supervisor is currently working with Bob on this.

Kirtland Community College now on tax roll \$13,707.99 yearly increase in township revenue. The board by a recommendation from Julie (Township Assessor member) made a motion to enter court proceedings to collect taxes on Kirtland Community College properties (if needed) since educational services are no longer rendered on aforementioned properties.

Donaldson Case settled

New Business:

Hazardous household waste collection September 10, 2022 (announcement)

Election Day 8/2/22 turnout 86 voters out of 240 (36% voter turnout)

2 motions needed by Megan (Assessor) Kurtis and Ron to sign these documents. A motion by Kurtis with a second by Ron to adopt and sign 2022-1 and 2022-2 (Poverty exemption & Waive collection penalties for failure to file property transfer affidavits) a vote was conducted and motion passed 5-0 Documents signed and given to Township Assessor with a copy being held for township records.

No July BOR per assessor due to change in statute

Recycling quote provided by Clerk—More discussion to follow about type of dumpster and any fees if non recycling items end up in said recycling dumpster

New roof Quotes presented by Clerk 6 different companies had quotes for both asphalt and metal roofs. There was discussion of pros and cons of each type and conversation about prices, public in attendance also weighed in on this topic. After consideration a motion by Kurtis and a second by Ann a motion was made to accept the offer for a standing seam metal roof by Letson Construction in the amount of \$11,700.00 a vote was conducted and motion was passed by a 5-0 vote. The clerk will contact the companies and thank them for their interest in providing services to the township and notify Letson Construction they won the bid and put the hall on their calendar with the Clerk and/or supervisor to sign any contact to proceed.

Zoning Administrator:

Three places given official notice of violation

One building permit issued

Correspondence:

Par Plan News July 2022 issue 144

Vet Fest Flyer

Public Comment

The honorable Troy Daniel current Roscommon County Judge addressed the board and the public in attendance of his record, background, etc. He is running for election in the Fall (November Election)

Julie Tatro weighed in on the recycling proposal the clerk presented and said to look into different types of dumpsters to avoid contamination.

Announcement:

The next meeting is September 10, 2022 at 9:00 AM

A motion was made by Kurtis with a second by Kathleen to adjourn the April meeting. All in favor the motion was carried, meeting adjourned 9:46 AM

Resolution # 2022-1

Ausable Township, Roscommon County, Michigan

Resolution to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test

WHEREAS, the homestead of persons who, in the judgment of the board of review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges is eligible for exemption in whole or part from taxation under the General Property Tax Act; and

WHEREAS, the township board is required by Section 7u of the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893 (MCL 211.7u), to adopt guidelines for poverty exemptions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to MCL 211.7u, that Ausable Township, Roscommon County, adopts the following guidelines for the board of review to implement

The guidelines shall include but not be limited to the specific income and asset levels of the claimant and all persons residing in the household, including any property tax credit returns, filed in the current or immediately preceding year.

To be eligible, a person shall do all the following on an annual basis:

- 1) Be an owner of and occupy as a homestead the property for which an exemption is requested.
- 2) File a claim with the board of review. Accompanied by federal and state income tax returns (if filed) for all persons residing in the homestead, including any property tax credit returns filed in the immediately preceding year or in the current year.
- 3) Produce a valid drivers' license or other form of identification if requested.
- 4) Produce a deed, land contract, or other evidence of ownership of the property for which an exemption is requested if requested.
- 5) Meet the federal poverty income guidelines as defined and determined annually by the United States Office of Management and Budget as adopted annually by the Board.
- 6) Meet additional eligibility requirements as determined by the township board.
- 7) Have assets not including the primary residence less than \$25,000.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the board of review shall follow the above stated policy and federal guidelines in granting or denying an exemption.

The foregoing resolution offered by Board Member Kurtis and supported by Board Member Ron.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye: 5-0" "Nay:

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted

I, Ron Watson, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Ausable Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the township board of said township at the regular meeting of said board held on Aug 13 2022, at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect



Ron Watson, Clerk

AUSABLE TOWNSHIP, ROSCOMMON COUNTY

Resolution 2022-2

To Waive Collection of Penalties for failure to file Property Transfer Affidavits

At a regular meeting of the AuSable Township Board, Roscommon County, Michigan, held in the Township Hall located at 9181 N Keno Rd, St Helen, Michigan, on the ___ day of _____ 2022

PRESENT: KURTIS, SARAH, ANN, KATHLEEN, RON

ABSENT: N/A

The following resolution was offered by Kurtis and supported by Ron and passed 5-0.

Whereas Ausable Township is aware that Michigan statues *MCL 211.27b* requires that the buyer, grantee or transferee of a property notify within 45 days the local assessing office when a transfer of ownership occurs. The state's form Property Transfer Affidavit, form 2766 should be used to fulfill this requirement.

Whereas the Township is aware that there are penalty fees that must be collected for failure to file the Property Transfer Affidavit. Michigan statues *MCL 211.27b(5)* allows that the governing body of a local tax collecting unit may waive, by resolution, the penalty levied under subsection (1)(c) or (d).

Whereas the Township has procedures in place to notify the buyer, grantee or transferee of a property of any Property Transfer Affidavits not filed within the required 45 days.

Whereas it has been determined by the assessing office that compliance with filing the Property Transfer Affidavits is greater than 90 percent.

Whereas the Township finds that the collection of the penalties is unnecessary therefore, be it

Resolved, that:

1. The Township of Ausable as provided under statues *MCL 211.27b (5)* waive, the penalty levied under subsection (1)(c) or (d).
2. Any resolution, resolution section, policy, or directive in conflict with this Resolution is repealed or amended to reflect and achieve the purposes stated herein.

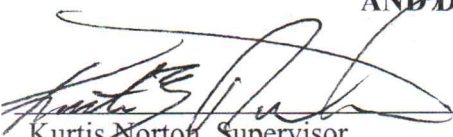
Upon roll call vote:

YES: KURTIS, SARAH, ANN, KATHLEEN, RON

NO: N/A

ABSTAIN: N/A

THIS RESOLUTION --, APPROVED ON THE 13 day of Aug 2022,
IS DECLARED ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR
AND DECLARED CERTIFIED BY THE CLERK.


Kurtis Norton, Supervisor

8/2/22
Date

I, the undersigned, the Clerk of Ausable Township, Roscommon County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by said municipality of Ausable Township at its meeting, relative to the adoption of the resolution therein set forth, that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of 1976, Public Acts of Michigan, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.


Ron Watson, Clerk

8/2/22
Date