

# TROUT LAKE TOWNSHIP

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Supervisor: Helen Fischer  
Clerk: Kathleen A. English  
Treasurer: Pam Barrett  
Trustee: Laura Simpson  
Trustee: John Clark

Township Board Meeting, November 10, 2020 Minutes, *Draft pending Board Approval December 8, 2020.*

Attendance: Sixteen (16)

Meeting called to order at 1829, by Supervisor Fischer with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Board Members present: Helen Fischer, Kathy English, Pam Barrett, John Clark, Laura Simpson. A quorum of the Township Board was in attendance.

Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Treasurer Barrett, to approve the Board meeting minutes of October 13, 2020, as written. Motion approved unanimously.

#### Comments:

1. Chari Fischer stated the AED's have been received.
2. Chari Fischer reported the assisted living home in Rudyard will not open until after the first of the year related to Covid-19.
3. David Blake-Thomas reported that a groomer will be located in Trout Lake going forward. Mr. Blake-Thomas asked for volunteers to operate the groomer for the upcoming snowmobiling season. He would like to have enough drivers so that a person would only have to drive 1-2 times/week. The groomer will be located at Mark's Trading Post.
4. Mr. Blake-Thomas thanked the outgoing Board members for their service over the past four (4) years.
5. Mr. Blake-Thomas requested a resolution to submit a grant request to the PAR plan for security/safety lighting for the Campground/Park. Supervisor Fischer made a motion, seconded by Trustee Clark, to submit a grant request to the PAR plan for security/safety lighting for the Campground/Park. Motion approved unanimously.
6. Deputy Clerk English recommended that the Board seek action to resolve the issues at the Post Office, as it now appears there are additional rules for having a PO Box number on a person's mail, or they will be charged a fee in order to receive their mail.
7. Supervisor Fischer stated that this is the last meeting of the current Board.

**Clerk Report:** Kathy English, Clerk. Financial report received. No additional report provided.

**Treasurer Report:** Pam Barrett, Treasurer. Financial report received. No additional report provided.

**Ambulance Service Report:** John Clark, Ambulance Corp Captain, David Blake-Thomas, Chairman St. Ignace Area-EMS Council. No report provided.

**Fire Department Report:** John Clark, Fire Chief.

1. Zero (0) runs for the month.
2. The generator for the tanker has been installed.
3. Please make sure your addresses are visible from the road and not worn out so that you can be found in an emergency.
4. The Fire Department is always looking for new members. Please contact John Clark 906-203-0621.
5. Mr. Clark encourages everyone who is looking to burn debris to log onto [WWW.DNR.STATE.MI.US/BURNPERMITS](http://WWW.DNR.STATE.MI.US/BURNPERMITS) The website has color coded maps designating if burning is permitted.

**Park Report:** Helen Fischer, Supervisor. No report submitted for this meeting.

**Assessor Report:** Jessica McLean, Assessor.

1. Ms. McLean requested a resolution for an interlocal agreement for the appointment of a designated assessor in the event the Township does not have an assessor. Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Trustee Clark to approve the resolution. Roll Call vote:  
Trustee Simpson Yes  
Trustee Clark Yes  
Supervisor Fischer Yes  
Treasurer Barrett Yes  
Clerk English Yes  
There were no 'Nay' votes. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Ms. McLean stated the Board of Review terms end at the end of this month. Ms. Beaudoin will be staying on. Mr. Blake-Thomas is currently approaching interested residents to fill the vacancies. If anyone is interested, please contact Mr. Blake-Thomas.

**Unfinished Business:** No old business presented.

**New Business:** No new business presented.

*Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Trustee Clark, to pay the bills as submitted by Clerk English. Motion approved unanimously by the Board Members in attendance.*

*Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Treasurer Barrett, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1846*

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. English  
Trout Lake Township Clerk