

## Negaunee Township Special Board Meeting – April 3, 2017

### **Call to Order**

William Carlson, Township Supervisor, called the Special Meeting of the Negaunee Township Board to order at 3:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Other Board members present included Kathy Carlson, Patrick Moyle, Rachel Sertich Gary Wommer.

Absent: None

### **Purpose of the Special Meeting**

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to review: 1) FY 2017 Water Rates, and 2) FY 2017 Employee Wages.

**Water Rate – Annual Adjustment** The Supervisor noted the annual water rate adjustment needed to be implemented based on the approval of the Water Department's 2017-2018 fiscal year budget, which is used to calculate the rate. Upon motion of Gary Wommer, seconded by Rachel Sertich, approval was given for the Township to establish water rates as a Basic Rate of \$17.56 (prior rate of \$16.99) per month with a cost of \$6.20 per thousand gallons (prior rate of \$5.60) effective April 1, 2017 with the first billing to occur at the end of April / beginning of May, 2017. Motion Carried

**Wage Increases** Board members discussed full-time employee wage increases which had been reviewed during the Budget work session. While the Budgets for all funds were adopted at the March, 2017 Annual Meeting, it was discussed making certain to include the information in the Board Minutes. Upon motion of Rachel Sertich, seconded by Gary Wommer, approval was given to grant a 2% wage increase to full-time positions (with the exception of Community Center Custodian which was determined by the Community Center Board), with the Zoning Administrator to receive an additional 8% for a total of 10% and the Water Clerk to having a starting wage of \$14.00 per hour – with all wages effective April 1, 2017. Motion Carried.

It was also noted the Township needs to move towards a wage scale matrix with the possibility of a longevity increase for milestone years. The Treasurer had provided some information to the Board to begin the process, and it was noted this item needs to move forward.

### **Adjournment**

No further business appearing, the Special Board meeting was duly adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Sertich  
Negaunee Township Clerk