

**Munro Township
Regular Board Meeting
June 11th, 2024
Munro Township Hall**

Board Members Present: Mary Bur, Cheryl Dotski, Keith Ginop and Don Tracey. Late: Paul Nows.

Supervisor Ginop called the meeting to Order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge to the flag.

Agenda: Don Tracey made the motion to approve the May 14th, 2024 Agenda, supported by Cheryl Dotski. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Keith Ginop made the motion to approve the May 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, supported by Don Tracey. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills: Keith Ginop made the motion to pay the June 2024 bills in the amount of \$37,483.11, supported by Don Tracey. Motion carried.

Updates:

Fire Board: Payment of bills and review of fire runs. **MTA:** Presentation by Humane Society and Cheboygan County Road Commission.

1st Public Comment: None.

Unfinished Business:

- Road Signs: Supervisor Ginop is still researching options with the post mounted flashing speed sign costing approximately \$5,100.00 being the most practical and cost effective. Motion by Ginop to spend up to \$500.00 for posts, cement and labor to install sign, supported by Nows. All in favor, motion carried.
- Blight: Three active complaints, one citation issued.
- Brine: A-1 (GFL) is scheduled to brine the roads on 6/19/24.

New Business:

- At the request of the DLIA, Board member Bur made the motion to Adopt the Resolution Supporting the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Implementation of the Common Merganser Control Program, supported by Keith Ginop. All in favor, Resolution 2024-1 adopted (see attached).
- Assessor Nick Couture gave a brief update on several updated that have been implemented and posted to the website.
- Resolution No. 2024-2: Resolution to set an Alternate Date for July or December Board of Review (see attached).
- Resolution No. 2024-3: Authorization to Allow Local Residents to Protest in Writing to Board of Review (see attached).
- Resolution No. 2024-4: Resolution Waiving Penalty and Interest for Failure to File a Property Transfer Affidavit (see attached).

2nd Public Comment: Several members so the audience voiced opposition to the Board adopting the Common Merganser Resolution.

The Board will meet 15 minutes prior to its next regular scheduled meeting to appoint election inspectors for the August 6th, 2024 election.

Adjournment: Motion by Don Tracey to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Cheryl Dotski. All in favor, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Bur
Munro Township Clerk

RESOLUTION 2024-1

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMON MERGANSER CONTROL PROGRAM (THE PROGRAM) IN DOUGLAS LAKE

Regarding the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Common Merganser Control Program (The Program) including the capture and relocation and nest and egg destruction out of natural cavities;

WHEREAS, the Munro Township Board of Trustees, Cheboygan County, Michigan has knowledge of swimmer's itch in Douglas Lake, located entirely within Munro Township;

WHEREAS, The Program has been shown to be an effective and environmentally conscious solution for the control of site-specific swimmer's itch problems for our residents; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that some Common Merganser hens and their chicks may be accidentally killed by the activities of The Program; and

WHEREAS, lake associations, specifically the Douglas Lake Improvement Association (DLIA), desiring to implement The Program are required to obtain a DNR Permit every three years, inform affected riparian's of the planned activity and adhere to the requirements of their permit:

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Munro Township Board of Trustees, on behalf of the property owners/DLIA on Douglas Lake, in the County of Cheboygan, hereby formally request the assistance of the DNR in the implementation of The Program, capture and relocation; nest and egg destruction out of natural cavities, for a three year period from 2024 through 2026, provided that the DNR permit requirements are adhered to, and with the understanding that there shall be no cost to the Munro Township, Cheboygan County government for The Program.

It was moved by Mary Bur, and supported by Keith Ginop that the above Resolution be adopted.

Those voting Aye: Ginop, Bur, Dotski, Tracey and Nows.

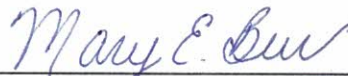
Those voting Nay: None.

Those absent: None.

The Supervisor declared the above Resolution adopted.

Certificate of Township Clerk

The Undersigned, **Mary E. Bur**, Clerk of Munro Township does Certify that the foregoing as duly adopted and passed by resolution of the Munro Township Board at a regular meeting thereof held on the 11th day of June, 2024.



Mary E. Bur
Munro Township Clerk

Munro Township, Cheboygan County

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-2

RESOLUTION TO SET AN ALTERNATE DATE FOR THE JULY OR DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW

WHEREAS, Section 53b of the General Property Tax Act, MCL 211.53b, requires a Board of Review that meets in July to meet on Tuesday following the third Monday in July, and a Board of Review that meets in December to meet on the Tuesday following the second Monday in December; and

WHEREAS, assessors who work for multiple jurisdictions are not always able to attend the Board of Review meeting for each township when they meet on the same day; and

WHEREAS, Public Act 122 of 2008, effective May 9, 2008, allows an alternate July Board of Review meeting date during the week of the third Monday in July; and an alternate December Board of Review meeting date during the week of the second Monday of December; and

WHEREAS, it will benefit the residents of the Township of Munro to have the assessor available to assist the Board of Review and taxpayers in processing qualified errors and property exemptions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township of Munro authorizes an alternate day may be selected during the week of the third Monday of July and an alternate day may be selected during the week of the second Monday of December for the purpose of conducting Board of Review (MCL 211.53b).

RESOLVED this 11th day of June, 2024 A.D.

Resolution was adopted by the following yeas and nays vote:

Yeas: Bur, Ginop, Dotski, Tracey and Nows

Nays: None

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, the Clerk of Munro Township, Cheboygan County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of Resolution No. 2024-2 adopted by the Township Board of Munro Township, County of Cheboygan, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on June 11th, 2024, the original of which is on file in the Clerk's office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976.

Dated: June 11th, 2024



Mary Bur, Munro Township Clerk

MUNRO TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION 2024-3

Authorization to Allow Local Residents to Protest in Writing to Board of Review

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Munro Township, Cheboygan County, Michigan, desires to ease the burden on taxpayers, the assessor, and the board of review by allowing all taxpayers the opportunity to file a protest before the board of review by letter; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Munro, Township, Cheboygan County, Michigan, is authorized by THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX ACT 206 of 1893, MCL 211.30(8) to adopt a resolution authorizing a resident taxpayer to file his or her protest before the board of review by letter without a personal appearance by the taxpayer or his or her agent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Munro, Cheboygan County that all resident taxpayers, or their agents, are authorized to protest to the board of review by letter. Said letters must be delivered to the physical or electronic address provided in the public notice or publication. For the March meeting of the board of review, letters must be received prior to the deadline on the publication. For the July and December meetings of the board of review, letters must be received by 5:00pm on the day prior to the meeting stated on the public notice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Munro Township shall include a statement notifying taxpayers of this option in each assessment notice under section 24c and on each notice or publication of the meeting of the board of review.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Clerk Bur and supported by Board Member Supervisor Ginop.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:

Yeas: Ginop, Bur, Dotski, Tracey and Nows.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent and Excused: None.

The Chairman declared the motion carried, and Resolution 2024-3 duly adopted June 11th, 2024.



Mary Bur, Munro Township Clerk

Munro Township, Cheboygan County

RESOLUTION 2024-4

RESOLUTION WAIVING PENALTY FEES AND INTEREST
FOR FAILURE TO FILE A PROPERTY TRANSFER AFFIDAVIT

WHEREAS, Section 211.27a of the General Property Tax Act requires the buyer, grantee or other transferee of property to file a property transfer affidavit as prescribed by the State Tax Commission, with the appropriate Assessing Officer in the local unit of government in which the property is located; and

WHEREAS, Section 211.27b of the General Property Tax Act imposes penalties for the failure to file a Property Transfer Affidavit after 45 days have elapsed; and

WHEREAS, Section 211.27b of the General Property Tax Act provides that the local governing body may waive, by Resolution, the penalties levied for the failure to file a Property Transfer Affidavit; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Munro hereby waives the penalties for the failure to file a Property Transfer Affidavit within 45 days of transfer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Township Board of the Township of Munro hereby waives penalties under Section 211.27b of the General Property Tax Act.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Motion was made by Clerk Bur and seconded by Supervisor Ginop to adopt the foregoing Resolution.

Upon roll call vote the following voted "Yeas": Bur, Ginop, Tracey, Dotski and Nows.

The following voted "Nay": None.


The following were absent: None.

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

Munro Township, Cheboygan County

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Munro Township Board held on June 11th, 2024 that the meeting was conducted, and public notice of the meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act; that a quorum of the Board was present and voted in favor of the resolution; and that the minutes of the meeting will be or have been made available as required by the Open Meetings Act.



Mary Bur, Munro Township Clerk