Meeting was called to order by Deputy Clerk Ann Harrington at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were: Cheryl Gahn, Tom Wybranowski, Michael Harrington
Members Absent: Brent Sharpe, Joan Schroka

Motion by Deputy Clerk Ann Harrington, seconded by C. Gahn to appoint Trustee Tom Wybranowski as chairperson for this meeting. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; C. Gahn, T. Wybranowski, M. Harrington. Nays; None. Absent; B. Sharpe, J. Schroka. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes. Motion by C. Gahn, seconded by M. Harrington to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2014 Regular Meeting and the October 13, 2014 Special Meeting, as presented. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; C. Gahn, T. Wybranowski, M. Harrington. Nays; None. Absent: B. Sharpe, J. Schroka. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report: Accepted, as presented.


Approval of Bills. Motion by M. Harrington, seconded by C. Gahn to approve the payment of the bills. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; C. Gahn, T. Wybranowski, M. Harrington. Nays; None. Absent: B. Sharpe, J. Schroka. Motion carried.

Department Reports:

Airport: QoE Invoice. Motion by C. Gahn, seconded by M. Harrington to authorize Supervisor Brent Sharpe to sign the approval for payment of QoE Invoice No. 0371 in the amount of $25,000. The Township share is $1,250. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; C. Gahn, T. Wybranowski, M. Harrington. Nays; None. Absent: B. Sharpe, J. Schroka. Motion 2014-112 carried.

Motion by M. Harrington, seconded by C. Gahn to accept the bid of $600 from Alan Hoffman for the purchase of the two snowblowers. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; C. Gahn, T. Wybranowski, M. Harrington. Nays; None. Absent: B. Sharpe, J. Schroka. Motion 2014-113 carried.

Motion by M. Harrington, seconded by C. Gahn to accept the recommendation of Airport Manager Greg Dickerson to keep the old plow truck for one year. Roll Call Vote: Ayes; C. Gahn, T. Wybranowski, M. Harrington. Nays; None. Absent: B. Sharpe, J. Schroka. Motion 2014-114 carried.

Fire: Lani White reported that she has received the pagers and radios. The Repeater will be moved to the phone tower on 11/19/2014.

She asked for a laptop computer and inquired about the status of her request.

The number of firefighter is down by two members who are leaving the island for the winter.

The AED and first aide kit locations have been moved for the winter: From the Coast guard Chapel to Tom Bach’s, From the Tavern when it closes to Robert Stowes, From the West End to Larry Pennell’s, From the Shed at the west end to Bill Akrift’s. The one at Hawk’s will stay there.

Graham Whipple reported that one more blower was in at the dock but the rest of the construction work will be done next year. A well will be drilled and the electrical will be done. The dock is in good shape for the winter.

**Law:** 638 Miles Driven, 67 Gallons of Gas Used, 163 Hours Expended, 33 Property Inspection, 3 Liquor Inspections, 3 Vehicle Inspections.

New set of tires were purchased for the main truck. The secondary truck has been taken to Cheboygan for service.

**Cemetery:** Diane Akright reported that Eric Gibbons remains will be buried in the cemetery this fall. She had a question as to who orders plates for the Memorial Day ceremony. Also, question as to the rules about trees in the cemetery. She has a concern about a number of dead trees that may cause damage to property and may be a safety liability. Discussion. The current ordinance may need to be amended.

**Community Recreation:** Graham Whipple reported that the skid piers for Thompson Lake and Twin Lakes should be installed next year. The township will pay for materials, and the transportation and construction will be payed for by the DNR.

Discussion regarding the existence of and responsibility for a number of roughly built latrines in the camping areas. They are located on state land and are the responsibility of the DNR and not the responsibility of the Township.

**Planning:** Michael Harrington reported that the Planning Commission did not take any new action. A calendar was set for next year.

**Transfer Station:** Mick Kimball reported that all was ready for the winter. No problems.

**Zoning:** Mike Johnson reported that there have been no responses to letters sent to Mr. Bones, who is not in compliance with the zoning ordinances. Discussion. Suggestion was made that the Township Board would consult with our attorney and perhaps have him send a letter to Mr. Bones indicating that the Township Board is resolved to strongly enforce existing zoning ordinances.

**Maintenance:** Bill Akright reported that new supplies need to be ordered.

**Clinic:** The Township had not yet received a revised contract from Mackinac Straits Hospital. A question was brought up as to whether there could be a separate ring for the fax machine in the clinic. Suggestion was made to set the fax machine to answer after a determined number of rings and that the phone be picked up only after that number of rings had passed. Another suggestion was that the phone company could assign what was called a “distinctive ring.”

**Old Business:**

**Street Signs.** Tom Wybranowski said that three street names had been added to the original 911 list. Over all 81 street signs, posts and brackets are needed. Discussion. Some roads are so long that they may need more than one sign. Mr. Wybranowski has gotten names of three different companies that could be sources for the signs. He suggested that Island Contractors would be the most equipped to install the signs because of their knowledge of the roads, etc. He will give the source information to Joan Schroka. More discussion regarding individual resident sign installation.
Public Comment: Tom Bach raised a procedural question regarding the vote on the previously tabled issue of the old plow truck. Question was resolved.

No New Business:

Correspondence.  
Report by Michael Harrington regarding property in Cheboygan. He met with the City of Cheboygan Mayor and City Manager to discuss the property for sale on the Cheboygan River. He is expecting a letter of understanding which would clarify what the City of Cheboygan would do to assist us in acquiring the river property. The City of Cheboygan has planned a “Port of Cheboygan” area north of the bridge and is interested in our township being part of that. MDOT has refurbished the bridge and is not wanting the bridge to be raised and lowered so often.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Joan E. Schroka,  
Bois Blanc Township Clerk