# Packet for November 10, 2020, Regular Township Board Meeting

# Consent Agenda

# Invoices

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# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP
# INVOICE REGISTER

## For Invoices Scheduled for Payment on: 11/10/2020 12

| VENDOR INFORMATION | INVOICE INFORMATION | |
|---|---|---|
| **D & W MECHANICAL**<br>**1266 INDUSTRY DRIVE SUITE A**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49696** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**REPLACE BURNERS IN SOUTH FURNACE** | **$612.25** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *101-265-930.000* | *Repairs and Maintenance* | *612.25* |
| **DAVE SANGER**<br>**1699 BRAEMAR DRIVE**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**MILEAGE** | **$80.50** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *101-420-870 ENF* | *Code Enforcement Mileage* | *80.50* |
| **ENGINEERED PROTECTION SYSTEMS**<br>**750 FRONT N.W. SUITE 200**<br><br>**GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504-4400** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**VIDEO SERVICE AGREEMENT** | **$84.00** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *508-000-818 SEC* | *Security* | *84.00* |
| **NORTH COUNTRY POWER GENERATION**<br>**121 AMES STREET**<br>**PO BOX 335**<br>**ELK RAPIDS, MI 49629** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**FULL SVC MAINTENANCE - GENERATOR** | **$350.00** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *101-265-930.000* | *Repairs and Maintenance* | *350.00* |
| **PENINSULA TOWNSHIP**<br>**13235 CENTER RD**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**PETTY CASH - POSTAGE** | **$3.85** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *508-000-724.000* | *POSTAGE* | *3.85* |
| **TOBIN & CO., P.C.**<br>**2301 N. GARFIELD RD., N.**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686-5167** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**2019-2020 AUDIT** | **$3,392.40** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *101-101-807.000* | *Audit Fees* | *3,392.40* |
| **TRAVERSE CITY LIGHT & POWER**<br>**PO BOX 592**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49685-0592** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**HOMESTEAD STREET LIGHTS** | **$10.61** |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *101-000-226.080* | *HOMESTEAD STREET LIGHT* | *10.61* |

**Total Amount Disbursed: $4,533.61**

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# INVOICE REGISTER

## For Invoices Scheduled for Payment on: 11/10/2020 12

| VENDOR INFORMATION | INVOICE INFORMATION | |
|---|---|---|
| **BREATHING AIR SYSTEMS**<br>**8855 E BOARD STREET**<br><br>**REYOLDSBURG, OH 43068** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**CASCADE ANNUAL MAINT.** | **$868.50** |
| *Distribution:*<br>*206-000-933.000* | *Equipment Maintenance* | *868.50* |
| **DEWEESE HARDWARE**<br>**1029 CARVER ST**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49684** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**STN 2 HUMIDIFIER** | **$69.99** |
| *Distribution:*<br>*206-000-970.000* | *Capital Outlay* | *69.99* |
| **MICHIGAN STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOC.**<br>**P.O. BOX 405**<br><br>**SWARTZ CREEK, MI 48473-0405** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**2021 MEMBSHP - PASSALACQUA** | **$75.00** |
| *Distribution:*<br>*206-000-958.000* | *Memberships and Dues* | *75.00* |
| **TOBIN & CO., P.C.**<br>**2301 N. GARFIELD RD., N.**<br><br>**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686-5167** | **Amount of Invoice Paid:**<br>**2019-2020 AUDIT** | **$1,233.60** |
| *Distribution:*<br>*206-000-807.000* | *Audit Fees* | *1,233.60* |

**Total Amount Disbursed: $2,247.09**

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|---|---|---|
| PENINSULA TOWNSHIP<br>13235 CENTER RD<br><br>TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686 | Amount of Invoice Paid:<br>PETTY CASH - POSTAGE | $8.00 |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *509-000-724.000* | *POSTAGE* | *8.00* |
| TOBIN & CO., P.C.<br>2301 N. GARFIELD RD., N.<br><br>TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686-5167 | Amount of Invoice Paid:<br>2019-2020 AUDIT | $61.68 |
| *Distribution:* | | |
| *509-000-807.000* | *Audit Fees* | *61.68* |
| | Total Amount Disbursed: | $69.68 |

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# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP
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**VENDOR INFORMATION**

**PENINSULA COMMUNITY LIBRARY**
**2735 ISLAND VIEW RD**

**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686**

**INVOICE INFORMATION**

**Amount of Invoice Paid: $35,000.00**

**EXPENSES**

*Distribution:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *708-000-223.000* | *Due to Library* | *35,000.00* |

**Total Amount Disbursed: $35,000.00**

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|---|---|---|
| TOBIN & CO., P.C.<br>2301 N. GARFIELD RD., N.<br><br>TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686-5167 | Amount of Invoice Paid:<br>2019-2020 AUDIT | $246.72 |

*Distribution:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *207-000-807.000* | *Audit Fees* | *246.72* |

**Total Amount Disbursed: $246.72**

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# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP
# INVOICE REGISTER

## For Invoices Scheduled for Payment on: 11/10/2020 12

**VENDOR INFORMATION**

**TOBIN & CO., P.C.**
**2301 N. GARFIELD RD., N.**

**TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686-5167**

**INVOICE INFORMATION**

**Amount of Invoice Paid: $246.72**
**2019-2020 AUDIT**

*Distribution:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *590-000-807.001* | *Audit Fees* | *246.72* |

**Total Amount Disbursed: $246.72**

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# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP
# INVOICE REGISTER

## For Invoices Scheduled for Payment on: 11/10/2020 12

| VENDOR INFORMATION | INVOICE INFORMATION | |
|---|---|---|
| TOBIN & CO., P.C.<br>2301 N. GARFIELD RD., N.<br><br>TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49686-5167 | Amount of Invoice Paid:<br>2019-2020 AUDIT | $493.44 |

*Distribution:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *591-000-807.000* | *Audit Fees* | *493.44* |

**Total Amount Disbursed: $493.44**

# Reports

**Peninsula Township Fire Department**
**14247 Center Rd.**
**Traverse City, Michigan 49686**
**PH: 231-223-4443**
*firechief@peninsulatownship.com*

OCTOBER 2020 FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

RUNS:

## Incident Type Details

| Click Row for Breakdown | 2020 | Total |
|---|---|---|
| 100 - Fire | 4 | **4** |
| 300 - EMS | 39 | **39** |
| 400 - HAZMAT | 5 | **5** |
| 500 - Service Call | 5 | **5** |
| 600 - Series | 5 | **5** |
| 700 - False Alarm | 2 | **2** |
| 800 - Natural Disaster | 1 | **1** |
| **Total** | **61** | **61** |

## Mutual Aid Summary

| Aid Given Or Received | 2020 | Total |
|---|---|---|
| Automatic aid given | 1 | **1** |
| Automatic aid received | 2 | **2** |
| Mutual aid received | 1 | **1** |
| None | 57 | **57** |
| **Total** | **61** | **61** |

## Mutual Aid for Structure Fires

| Aid Given Or Received | 2020 | Total |
|---|---|---|
| Automatic aid received | 2 | **2** |
| None | 2 | **2** |
| **Total** | **4** | **4** |

| Level of Service | 2020 | Total |
|---|---|---|
| Advanced Life Support | 30 | **30** |
| Basic Life Support | 6 | **6** |
| **Total** | **36** | **36** |

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| Disposition | 911 Response | Total |
|---|---|---|
| Cancelled on Scene/No Patient Found | 1 | 1 |
| Patient Evaluated, No Treatment/Transport Required | 4 | 4 |
| Transported Lights/Siren | 3 | 3 |
| Patient Treated, Released (AMA) | 3 | 3 |
| Patient Dead on Scene - No Resuscitation Attempted (Without Transport) | 2 | 2 |
| Transported No Lights/Siren | 16 | 16 |
| Cancelled (Prior to Arrival at Scene) | 4 | 4 |
| Patient Treated, Transferred Care to Another EMS Professional | 1 | 1 |
| Cancelled (No Patient Contact) | 2 | 2 |
| Patient Treated, Transported by Private Vehicle | 1 | 1 |
| Patient Refused Evaluation/Care (Without Transport) | 2 | 2 |
| Patient Dead on Scene - Resuscitation Attempted (Without Transport) | 1 | 1 |
| **Total** | **40** | **40** |

TRAINING:

For the month of October 2020, the fire department worked on training 4 new staff members in fire suppression, drivers training and emergency medical skills. Five members of the department attended a two-day course on Farm Rescue. Two new staff members will start fire training school at the Northwest Regional Training Center in November. Members completed training in basic life support and advance life support. The department worked on using new hazardous material response books and practiced rapid intervention skills to help us save our own when a firefighter has an issue in a fire and needs help.

OTHER ACTIVITY:

The fire department continues to watch over the building of station 3 which is moving along nicely. The walls for the living quarters are up and drive way should be in place the first week of November. Two staff members trained school teachers in CPR skills. The fire chief is working on the budget for 2021/2022. A new full-time firefighter/paramedic was hired as the department prepares to staff the new station 3 sometime in January of 2021. The department is also moving equipment into storage for the winter months. The small boat is now stored in the Big John building on Peninsula drive. Staff has also preformed smoke detector test for residents who have called for help and reminds all residents to change their batteries.

# Grand Traverse Sheriff's Office Citation, Accident & Arrest Statistics

October 2020

| Location | Citations | Traffic Crashes | | | Arrests | | Traffic Crash Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Fatal | PIA | PDA | OWI | Criminal | |
| 01 Acme | 6 | 0 | 1 | 18 | 2 | 6 | 19 |
| 02 Blair | 15 | 0 | 3 | 24 | 3 | 10 | 27 |
| 03 East Bay | 35 | 0 | 6 | 26 | 4 | 8 | 32 |
| 04 Fife Lake | 3 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 9 |
| 05 Garfield | 68 | 0 | 13 | 84 | 12 | 43 | 97 |
| 06 Grant | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 07 Green Lake | 7 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 8 |
| 08 Long Lake | 5 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 0 | 3 | 22 |
| 09 Mayfield | 1 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 11 |
| 10 Peninsula | 1 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 8 |
| 11 Paradise | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
| 12 Union | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 13 Whitewater | 2 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 12 |
| 29 Fife Lake Vlg | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30 Kingsley Vlg | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| 66 Traverse City | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 12 | 5 |
| 84 Out of County | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| **Totals** | 150 | 0 | 35 | 230 | 27 | 105 | 265 |

Ticket stats are based on what District Court has entered as of 10/30/20.

Arrest stats are as of 11/02/20.

# Grand Traverse County Sheriff
## Daily Officer Summary
## 9/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

| Division / Officer / Location | Activity | Hours |
|---|---|---|
| Patrol | | |
| France, Virnell 129 | | |
| acme | | |
| | breaks | 1.50 |
| | Traffic Patrol | 1.50 |
| | | 3.00 |
| east bay | | |
| | 57000 trespassing | 0.50 |
| | 98007 suspicious situation | 1.00 |
| | breaks | 0.50 |
| | Traffic Patrol | 5.50 |
| | | 7.50 |
| garfield | | |
| | 99006 public relations | 0.50 |
| | breaks | 6.50 |
| | maintenance equip/vehicle | 2.00 |
| | Traffic Patrol | 4.25 |
| | | 13.25 |
| lec | | |
| | 13000 assault | 2.50 |
| | 99008 assist | 1.00 |
| | administrative | 8.50 |
| | | 12.00 |
| off duty | | |
| | off duty | 0.00 |
| | | 0.00 |
| peninsula | | |
| | 13000 assault | 1.00 |
| | 23007 larceny other | 2.50 |
| | 55000 health and safety | 6.00 |
| | 93001 accident, traffic pda | 1.25 |
| | 93006 Traffic Policing/Assist | 0.75 |
| | 98003 property checks | 1.00 |
| | 98007 suspicious situation | 5.50 |
| | 99006 public relations | 3.25 |
| | 99008 assist | 1.50 |
| | administrative | 1.25 |
| | Residential Patrol | 34.75 |
| | Traffic Patrol | 74.00 |
| | warning issued | 1.25 |
| | | 134.00 |
| | France, Virnell | 169.75 |
| | Patrol | 169.75 |
| | Total | 169.75 |

# Grand Traverse County Sheriff
## Daily Count
## 9/1/2020 - 9/30/2020

| Division / Officer / Location | | Traffic | Citation | Warning | Paper service | Accident |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Patrol | | | | | | |
| France, Virnell 129 peninsula | | 5 | | 5 | | 2 |
| | France, Virnell | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 |
| | Patrol | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 |
| | Total | 5 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 |

**Peninsula Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer**

**Ordinance Violation Summary by Month**

**January Through December 2020**

| **Zoning Ordinance** | J | F | M | A | M | J | J | A | S | O | N | D | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Signs in ROW | | 4 | 4 | 7 | 17 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 9 | | | **91** |
| Signs outside ROW | | | | | | | | | | | | | **0** |
| Car & Boat For Sale in ROW | | | | 1 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | | **5** |
| LUP Check/Violation | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 6 | | | **35** |
| SUP Check/Violation | | 1 | | | 3 | 2 | | | | | | | **6** |
| Short-term rental | | | | | 2 | | 7 | 3 | 2 | | | | **14** |
| Night Sky Violation | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | **1** |
| Beach - hoists/docks/decks | | 1 | | | 4 | | 1 | | | 3 | | | **9** |
| Beach - Trees/Erosion/Seawall | | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 | | 4 | 6 | 2 | 1 | | | **26** |
| Outside Storage | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | **2** |
| Setback Violation | | | | | 6 | 8 | 1 | | 1 | | | | **16** |
| Fence Violation | | | | | | | | | | | | | **0** |
| Other (Parks) | | | | | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | | 2 | | | **13** |
| **Total Zoning** | 1 | 9 | 10 | 15 | 45 | 38 | 38 | 22 | 19 | **21** | 0 | 0 | **218** |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Junk Ordinance** | | 1 | | | | 3 | | | | | | | **4** |
| **Fireworks Ordinance** | | | | | | | | | | | | | **0** |
| **Dangerous Bldg** | | | | | | 2 | | | 2 | | | | **4** |
| **Stormwater Ord.** | | | | | | | | | | | | | **0** |
| **Large Event Ordinance** | | | | | | | | | | | | | **0** |
| **Noise Ordinance** | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Total Other Ordinances** | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | **0** | 0 | 0 | **8** |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Total All Ordinances** | 1 | 10 | 10 | 15 | 45 | 43 | 38 | 22 | 21 | **21** | 0 | 0 | **226** |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Citations Issued** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | **0** | 0 | 0 | **0** |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Officer's Hours Worked** | 11.8 | 22.3 | 15.5 | 19.8 | 65.3 | 48.0 | 38.0 | 25.0 | 24.3 | **39.8** | | | **309.5** |
| **Officer's Miles Driven** | 34 | 131 | 73 | 59.8 | 297 | 206 | 231 | 119 | 146 | **140** | | | **1437** |

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# Mission Point Lighthouse Report – Nov. Board Mtng 2020

**Currently at the lighthouse:**

The park is still receiving visitors daily and I've been checking the new large outdoor donation box. The donations have been recorded in the weekend shop sales report.

I am fielding about 15 calls weekly from keepers, visitors and vendors. I am scheduling keepers for December.

I still have keepers for the gift shop through November. The current gross sales in the gift shop/merchandise for this year are about $59,563. We are only open 8 hours weekly for the month of November and then will be closed for the season. I took information to all the wineries to inform their staff of our November hours.

**Other projects:**

I had the electrician out at the lighthouse to hang the new light in the dining room now that the contractors are gone and I don't have to worry about drywall dust.

I completed most of the painting touch ups in the kitchen, and Bob W. will do the ceiling work. The kitchen needs rugs and some supplies.

We have the specs for the barn to be built.

The park picnic tables were put away for winter storage and the grill has a new cover since it is outside for the winter.

The irrigation has been off and needs a couple of new heads. Fall clean up in the gardens will be done soon.

The new gutters were installed in October and they look great and handling the recent rain storms well.

The exterior historic restoration work on the lighthouse is complete and the inspection is done. Everything looks very nice and Mihm the contractor will be out one more time with some extra green paint for the shutters, fix a couple of details and to do touch-up on the shutters.

The new generator did not automatically turn on during the recent power outage, apparently it needs to be manually reset. I have not heard back from the vendor with instructions but it is working now.

The Fresnel Lens needs cleaning this winter, cost is $1100+.

I am working on a plan for the replacement of the front beach steps and boardwalk.

I have some on-going museum display projects/improvements and inside front storm door needs to be hung up.

We need some framed art for the new dining room large wall and window treatments.

**Marketing & Media:**

I designed a historic timeline list for visitors for the Nov. 9 event at the lighthouse.

I plan to advertise on the lighthouse maps again for 2021 and I need to update all the ad photos with current photos of the lighthouse with the new shutters.

I'm working on a large outdoor poster for the Parks Committee about the other parks on OMP.

A model of the lighthouse is being built and we may raffle it off – not sure how to use it for the festival in 2021.

In November, I plan to set up an online shop for selling a few items from the lighthouse shop off-season. I hope to have some help from local volunteers and keepers.

# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

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11/04/2020 CASH SUMMARY BY FUND FOR PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

| Fund | Description | 10/31/2020 |
|---|---|---|
| 101 | GENERAL FUND | 33,038.48 |
| 206 | Fire Fund | 1,360,275.05 |
| 207 | Police Fund | 213,482.09 |
| 208 | PARKS/HASEROT/BHP/ARCHIE | 14,145.14 |
| 209 | Cemetery Fund | 18,751.07 |
| 212 | Pelizzari Natural Area | 296,952.37 |
| 213 | HESSLER LOG HOME | 1,479.10 |
| 245 | Roads | 18,585.32 |
| 297 | Purchase of Development Rights | 1,528,797.27 |
| 298 | Cable Council Fund | 795,611.89 |
| 400 | Landing Account | 326,044.17 |
| 502 | Tower Fund | 885,881.36 |
| 508 | Lighthouse Fund | 18,041.51 |
| 509 | LIGHTHOUSE GIFT SHOP | 102,731.32 |
| 590 | Sewer Fund | 272,796.20 |
| 591 | Water Fund | 301,731.46 |
| 596 | Compactor Station | 16,354.19 |
| 701 | Trust and Agency | 33,208.85 |
| 703 | Tax Collection | 14,530,282.76 |
| 708 | Library Trust and Agency Fund | 250,083.40 |
| | TOTAL - ALL FUNDS | 21,018,273.00 |

# Minutes

# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

13235 Center Road, Traverse City MI 49686
www.peninsulatownship.com

## Election Commission Meeting

October 12, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Peninsula Township Conference Room

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Manigold at 10:08 a.m.

Manigold, Bickle, and Chown, the three members of the Election Commission, were present.

**Bickle moved to appoint the election inspectors, receiving board, and chairs and co-chairs for the November 3, 2020, General Election as suggested on the list provided in the packet, seconded by Manigold. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.**

**Bickle moved to approve the salary of $15.00/hour for election inspectors and $18.00/hour for the receiving board, chairs, and co-chairs as well as costs associated with providing breakfast, lunch, and dinner to these individuals on Election Day, seconded by Manigold. The motion passed with a unanimous roll call vote.**

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Peninsula Township
Town Board Minutes DRAFT
October 13, 2020
Christina Deeren, Recording Secretary

# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

13235 Center Road, Traverse City MI 49686
www.peninsulatownship.com
**Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes**
**October 13, 2020, 7:00 p.m.**
**Township Hall**

1. **Call to Order:** by Supervisor Manigold at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call** Manigold, Achorn, Chown, Sanger, Wahl, and Wunsch
   **Absent:** Bickle
4. **Brief Citizen Comments (for agenda items only):** none
5. **Approve Agenda**
   **Moved by Wahl to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Wunsch.**
   **Passed unan**
6. **Conflict of Interest:** none

7. **Consent Agenda:** any member of the board, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the consent agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion
   1. Invoices (recommend approval)
   2. Reports
      A. Peninsula Community Library for October 2020
      B. Peninsula Township Fire Department for September 2020
      B. Grand Traverse Sheriff's Office Citation, Accident, & Arrest Statistics Third Quarter Totals (July–September 2020) and September 2020 and Grand Traverse County Sheriff Daily Officer Summary for August 2020
      C. Peninsula Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer for August and September 2020
      D. Mission Point Trash Collection
      E. Mission Point Lighthouse Report – September 15, 2020, and October 2020.
   3. Budget amendment: Lighthouse Fund G/L #508-000-699.000 "Appropriated Transfers In" $20,000.00; Lighthouse Gift Shop Fund G/L #509-000-999.000 "Appropriated Transfers Out" $20,000.00; funds will be used for normal operating expenses
   4. New hires for the Peninsula Township Fire Department
   4. Minutes from September 8, 2020, township board regular meeting (recommend approval)
   5. Correspondence
      A. Joanne Westphal
      B. Karen Smith
      C. Edward Stych
      D. Bud Stych – Letter Read by Supervisor Manigold (added to agenda)

   **Moved by Wunsch to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Wahl.**
   **Roll call:**
   **Passed unan**

8. **Business:**
   1. Hessler Log Home proposal for repairs (Reiser)
   Discussed bid for repairs to the structure and grounds of the Hessler Log Cabin. He and John

Scarborough from the Old Mission Peninsula Historical Society have been monitoring problems for the past few years. The detailed list of repairs is outlined in the memo in the packet and includes safety issues with the porch, rocks around the building, and treating the logs to help preserve them.

**Moved by Achorn to approve the cost for repairs to the Hessler Log Cabin not to exceed six thousand, five hundred dollars ($6,500.00), seconded by Wunch.**
**Roll call:** **Passed unan**

**Achorn:** Stated that the current budget does not support this cost.

**Moved by Achorn to amend the budget to increase Historical Budget Fund 231-000-930 by seven thousand dollars ($7,000.00), seconded by Wunsch.**
**Roll call:** **Passed unan**

**Moved by Wahl to appropriate the transfer of seven thousand dollars ($7,000.00) from the tower fund to the Historical Budget Fund, seconded by Chown.**
**Roll call:** **Passed unan**

2. Request to allow igloos at wineries (Manigold)
**Manigold:** a request was received from the wineries regarding the use of igloos for the winter months. The township board had previously approved the use of temporary structures during the COVID-19 restrictions so that the wineries could have additional outdoor space.
**Sanger:** dealt with the use of the igloos last winter. They are considered temporary structures and are not approved within the ordinance. Contacted the city of Brighton, Michigan, and spoke to the director of zoning for the city, which has approved the use of these temporary structures. Livingston County Health Department has also approved them during the COVID restrictions as they allow for social distancing. Contacted Bruce Remai from the Grand Traverse County Building Code Department and inquired if building permits would be necessary for permitting these temporary structures. Noted that our ordinance does allow for the use of temporary structures.
**Wunsch:** inquired if this has been discussed with the township attorney.
**Manigold:** this is a safe way to allow additional gatherings for the wineries, as they are still limited to their indoor capacity.
**Manigold:** read the following proposed temporary guidelines for approving the use of igloos:

Peninsula Township will allow "igloos" immediately as temporary structures pursuant to the following requirements:
1. No more than five igloos are permitted in any area with a defined outdoor customer service area established by a special use permit. This includes outdoor patios and decks. Existing SUPs do not need to be amended.
2. No more than five igloos are also permitted in any area with a defined outdoor customer service area as associated with a "use by right" winery or existing restaurant.
3. Igloos associated with wineries must be placed within the defined MLCC service areas.
4. No igloo may have a capacity greater than ten people.
5. Land use permits are required for all igloos, and such permits will indicate that removal is necessary on or before May 1, 2021.
6. The Peninsula Township Fire Department shall review proposed installations of igloos pursuant to the International Fire Code before issuing a land use permit.

**Moved by Wunsch to approve the language and temporary use of igloos, seconded by Wahl.**
**Roll call:** **Passed unan**

3. Resolution 2020-10-13 #1, Interlocal Agreement for Grand Traverse County Designated Assessor (Manigold)
**Manigold:** this is a process going through the entire state. Grand Traverse County has taken the lead on this as it is a formal action with a resolution to be approved.

Read the resolution out loud.

**Moved by Chown to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Grand Traverse County Designated Assessor, seconded by Wunsch.**
**Roll call:** **Passed unan**

**Manigold:** read a letter from Nate Alger stating that a credit will be applied to the township for $14,446.00 per the CPO program for the non-use of the CPO during COVID when the stay-at-home order was invoked by the governor. The finance director will apply credits to the township's billing for this program, giving credit for two months of non-service.

4. Recommendation from planning commission regarding solar panels (Mielnik)
**Mielnik:** last year, amendment 199 was passed to allow free-standing solar panels within the township. Since then, two issues have been raised. One issue is the question of whether free-standing solar panels can be considered agricultural structures when placed on land subject to a PDR easement. Second, a desire to have solar panels larger than 10kW to support agricultural operations has been expressed. Regarding the first issue only, Township Attorney Greg Meihn recommended that the township formally determine that solar panels can be considered agricultural structures on land subject to PDR easements. He recommended that this issue be addressed first at the planning commission level, then brought before the township board for approval. At the September meeting, the planning commission took up this issue and offered the favorable recommendation that solar panels can be considered agricultural structures and therefore are allowable on properties subject to PDR agreements.
**Sanger**: this would allow solar panels on PDR properties. The master plan identifies the viewsheds for the PDR program; solar panels would not be allowed within a viewshed if they are structures.
**Mielnik:** We now have an updated viewshed map, and we can identify specific parcels included in a viewshed. This is a significant improvement over previously available viewshed maps
**Wunsch:** viewsheds are defined within the easement agreements; the solar panels should be viewed like any other structure.
**Achorn:** has three pages of questions pertaining to this issue that are not answered. Suggests this matter go back to the planning commission rather than coming at this time to the township board. Feels more information should be obtained regarding placement and the size increase request.
**Meihn:** the PDR easements allow for the placement of structures but do not define an agricultural structure.
**Wunsch:** the current ordinance language caps these panels at 10kw. The planning commission is looking at possibly increasing this to 20/25kw panels, which aligns with the needs of farmers.
**Achorn:** the B&B ordinance was reviewed repeatedly and people have been taxed towards the purchase of these properties. Feels the community should have a voice on this topic and that it is premature to bring this issue before the township board.
**Meihn:** this can be forwarded to a public hearing if the board desires.
**Wunsch**: solar arrays would be placed on property just like anyone else would be allowed to. PDR properties would not have any greater use than regular residential use.

**Achorn:** wonders about the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy's position on this topic, as it would also have an interest and say in these panels being situated on purchased lands. Concerned that solar farms could fill the landscape.
**Meihn:** solar farms (providing power for off-site uses) are prohibited by the easements and the ordinance.
**Manigold:** expressed frustration that PDR easements are treated differently than regular agricultural properties. Emphasized that the only right that was sold was the right to develop residential housing. All other agricultural rights were reserved.
**Meihn:** the original drafts of the easements were created in a manner that creates confusion. The confusion comes in the statement, "bundle of rights."
**Monnie Peters, 1425 Neahtawanta Rd.:** net metering works with the customers in determining the amount of electricity that is appropriate for their usage. Once a determination is made, it doesn't change. There should not be a set upper limit. Screening around the solar arrays could be established.

**Moved by Wunsch to approve the recommended policy, which states:** It is the policy of Peninsula Township to consider the installation of solar panels as a common agricultural practice as defined by PDR easements when such panels are in direct support of onsite agricultural practices. When a PDR easement also includes a viewshed referenced in the easement and/or the baseline report, no free-standing solar panels are allowed in such designated viewshed, **seconded by Chown.**

**Roll call:** **Passed unan**

9. **Citizen Comments:**
**Eric Drier:** gave a report from the parks committee. Through a grant from DTE, 50 trees will be delivered and planted at Bowers Harbor Park. The parks committee will continue to sell the old playground equipment.

**Don Atkinson**: the Haserot playground project has been successful. Brian Peace from Team Elmer's removed the old structure. They have began pouring the concrete and framing for the 12-inch engineered wood chip base for the new equipment. Donations were received from the Glysson and Woodruff families. Thanked the township board for supporting this project and for the donations. An open house/ribbon-cutting ceremony is proposed for October 24; no time has been set. **[NOTE: the open house/ribbon-cutting ceremony is being delayed until spring.]** The parks committee is continuing to raise money for park projects.

10. **Board Comments:**
**Chown:** the repairs to the Bowers Harbor Park walkway were completed last week.
**Eric Drier:** the entire loop was resurfaced. Due to the higher water levels, the surface was deteriorating. They did a good job on the resurfacing and in some places removed and replaced the damaged asphalt.
**Manigold:** thanked the Van Meter family for a $4,000.00 donation and Golden Fowler for the donation of furniture to the new fire station. Informed the board that a $50,000.00 donation was also received by an anonymous donor in the community. Suggested a letter be drafted requesting donations from the community on three different topics: fire station, playground equipment for the parks, and cemeteries.
11. **Adjournment**
**Moved by Sanger to adjourn, seconded by Wunsch.**

**Passed Unan**

Final adjournment: 8:15 p.m.

Peninsula Township
Town Board Minutes DRAFT
October 28, 2020
Christina Deeren, Recording Secretary

# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

13235 Center Road, Traverse City MI 49686
www.peninsulatownship.com
**Township Board Special Meeting**
**Township Conference Room**
**Wednesday, October 28, 9:00 a.m.**
**Meeting Minutes**

1. **Call to Order:** by Supervisor Manigold at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Pledge**
3. **Roll Call:** Manigold, Chown, Bickle, Wunsch, Sanger, Achorn
   **Absent:** Wahl
4. **Brief Citizen Comments (for agenda items only): none**
5. **Approve Agenda:**
   **Moved by Bickle to approve as presented, seconded by Wunsch.**
   **Passed unan**
6. **Conflict of Interest:** none
7. **Consent Agenda:** any member of the board, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the consent agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion

   1. Invoices (recommend approval)
   2. Request to add Griffin Dunn and Ethan Davenport to Peninsula Township Fire Department as new paid on-call firefighters and Jacob Strait as a full-time firefighter (recommend approval)

   **Achorn:** requested that invoice (1) for Haserot Beach playground equipment be removed from the list of invoices.

   **Moved by Bickle to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Sanger.**
   **Roll call:** **Passed unan**

8. **Business: none**
9. **Citizen Comments:**
10. **David Merrell, 2046 Phelps Rd.,** requested an update on the lawsuit the wineries recently filed and asked why township board meetings are sometimes held in the morning instead of the evening.
    **Manigold:** cannot comment on the lawsuit due to pending litigation. Morning meetings are held to pay pending bills so that the township does not have to pay penalties or late fees.
    **The board and Merrell discussed the topic of morning meetings.**

    **Nancy R. Heller, 3901 Bluewater Rd.,** spent the past few days educating herself and thanked Randy and Sally for the help.

11. **Board Comments:**
    **Bickle:** congratulated Isaiah on getting married. Also informed the board that KLM who provides

snow plowing for the township will honor the same contractual price as last year to do the plowing.

12. **Adjournment:**
**Moved by Bickle to adjourn, seconded by Wunsch.**

**Passed unan**

Final adjournment: 9:21 a.m.

# PENINSULA TOWNSHIP

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## Election Commission Meeting

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

11:00 a.m.

Peninsula Township Hall

Minutes

Present: Chown and Noval

Chown and Noval conducted the public accuracy test of election equipment for the March 10, 2020, presidential primary, using the tabulator for Precinct I and the test deck and chart of predetermined results provided by the county clerk.

The test was wholly successful.

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

# Correspondence

## Rebecca Chown

**From:** Dave Murphy <davemurphy6943@gmail.com>
**Sent:** Monday, October 12, 2020 1:12 PM
**To:** 'MIKE SKURSKI'; 'Eric Dreier'; 'Beth Karczewski'; 'Mary Beth Milliken'; 'Pete Dahl'; 'Don Atkinson'
**Cc:** 'Rob Manigold'; 'Steve Lagerquist'; 'Rebecca Chown'; 'Glen Chown'
**Subject:** Volunteer work at PNA
**Attachments:** IMG_2021.JPG

Just a quick note that thanks to Steve Lagerquist of the Conservancy, we had a volunteer outing at PNA today to remove the invasive species, autumn olive. Ten volunteers (including Steve) put in a total of twenty hours of work. Attached is a photo of Steve doing an intro about the work we'd do.

As most of us know, autumn olive is a prolific invasive & its berries can actual sicken migrating birds, which is completely counter to the original intentions of introducing the bush. So it's among the most important invasives to stay after & there's a lot at PNA. The job isn't done, but we made a major dent, plus it was helpful that Steve brought volunteers from outside our old time & aging group that did the majority of the work to open up PNA 12 years ago.

As always, thanks to the Conservancy & the volunteers for this work. Steve did his always great job of education & provided the tools. We thanked all volunteers on behalf of the township. And of course we owe the Conservancy ongoing thanks for their leadership & hands-on work at PNA.

Dave

**Peninsula Township Fire Department**
**14247 Center Rd.**
**Traverse City, Michigan 49686**
**PH: 231-223-4443**
*firechief@peninsulatownship.com*

Re: Bluff Road closure

October 15, 2020

Dear Supervisor Manigold,

Good day. I am writing in regards to the potential continued closing or dead ending of Bluff road due to shore erosion. As you are aware, there are quite a few homes on Bluff road that a closure of any length could cause slower responses from the fire department for emergency calls. The fire department has gone to the area north of where Bluff road is closed and has seen further issues with erosion that has forced immediate action by the department when driving our heavy vehicles on this stretch of road. Department members have been advised to stay away from the east shoulder of Bluff road, but concerns till arise as the vehicles will have to be turned around in the roadway due to the road being closed.

The primary concern for the fire department is the delay of department vehicles responding to calls on Bluff road north of where the road is temporarily closed. Initial vehicle comes from fire station 1, but additional vehicles such as the advanced life support ambulance come from the south and are forced to take a route that takes them north and then back south which creates an extra time. The extra time can be anywhere from 2 to 5 minutes depending on road conditions. In medical runs where a person has stopped breathing, our crews have 4 to 6 minutes to intervene before the victim may suffer permanent or deadly brain damage. Any delays in responding can severely affect the crew's ability to help a patient have a successful outcome after experiencing a medical emergency.

One of the fire departments biggest concerns are fire situations. For fires in the Bluff road area, water has to be hauled in to support operations and suppress fire. Water is typically dropped into a holding tank by a tanker then the tanker goes to refill. With the road closed, it does not allow for tanker trucks to use two-way traffic lanes and continue in an opposite direction of incoming tanker trucks. These trucks would have to turn around in the road way which would take considerable time and block other incoming tanker trucks hence potentially decreasing the amount of water available for use to fight the fire. Fire doubles in a size every minute, so any delays created to getting water on the fire can result in increased property damage as well as potential loss of life.

In closing, the Peninsula Township fire department asks that all efforts be made to fix and reopen Bluff road. Having the road open could be the difference in the departments ability to provide medical and fire suppression assistance to the residents we serve.

Respectfully,

Fire Chief Fred Gilstorff

**Peninsula Township Fire Department**
**14247 Center Rd.**
**Traverse City, Michigan 49686**
**PH: 231-223-4443**
*firechief@peninsulatownship.com*

Re: Wash out of hill side on Smokey Hallow Road

October 30, 2020

Dear Supervisor Manigold,

As you are aware, there has been multiple wash outs of hill sides next to road ways on the Peninsula. One that is of great concern to the fire department is located on Smokey Hallow road just north of Center road. In this area there is damage to asphalt and bank erosion. The guard rail has also been pushed back a good 3 feet exposing the erosion and not protecting someone from stepping into or driving into the eroded area. The erosion is under the asphalt just a few feet from the white line of the road. This damage is on a curve which could hinder a driver's view of the cones and sand bags that were placed by the county road commission.

Of greater concern in this area, is the fact that many heavy trucks travel Smokey Hallow, whether semi or concrete trucks. The road is damaged in an area that sloops towards the asphalt and erosion damage. My concern is a driver could have their vehicle pulled toward the damage and potentially go off the road way and down a hill side.

I ask that you contact the road commission to have this addressed quickly as to avoid any potential accidents. I firmly believe this is a high safety risk.

Respectfully,

Fire Chief Fred Gilstorff

## Rebecca Chown

**From:** Sarah DellAcqua <smdellacqua@yahoo.com>
**Sent:** Monday, October 26, 2020 1:06 PM
**To:** planner@peninsulatownship.com; clerk@peninsulatownship.com; dsh_44@yahoo.com
**Subject:** TC Ticker article question

Dear Randy, Becky, and Donna,

I am a peninsula township resident and appreciate your efforts to preserve this township as an agricultural wonder and a beautiful place to call home. I was born on the peninsula and have lived here for over 30 years. After reading the TC ticker article I wanted to extend my support and hope you are not persuaded by the winery's efforts.

Has anyone discusses the negative effect of the eleven wineries' proposed business plan? If the township allows weekend weddings, extended hours to compete with the local bar scene and eleven new restaurants, then the residents have to endure the weekend wedding party sound, an uptick in traffic on the two main roads to enter/exit the peninsula, and the constant summer/fall barrage of inebriated patrons of those wineries at the Peninsula Market, Bowers Harbor Park, and Haserot beach.

Instead of making an agreement with the wineries, I hope a proposal is created for all the residents to vote on this matter on a ballot. The business owner's wants will affect our quality of life and we should have a choice since we pay the taxes to live here.

Sincerely,

Sarah Dell'Acqua-Kime

Before you vote, think about this:

- The Road Commission(RC) is an appointed, independent Board with no reporting relationship to the County Commission
- The RC has 3 members on it from the same township and many of their roads have been fixed
- Those roads lead to the desired bridge at Hartman/Hammond Roads
- Many GTC roads are crumbling while the roads leading to the bridge are resurfaced
- Taxpayers pay twice for things in the RC's budget...once thru taxes and again when the "service" is provided...Road brining, culvert clean outs and other special assessments
- GTC has nearly 1000 miles of road; less than 120 have been improved since the millage
- These are not new problems. Perhaps the County Commissioners should rethink a few things before asking taxpayers are asked to give them more money to misspend.

In the words of the Governor, "fix the damn roads".

- From Jill Byron

## Rebecca Chown

**From:** Rob Manigold <supervisor@peninsulatownship.com>
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2020 7:50 AM
**To:** Becky Chown
**Subject:** FW: Napafication

For packet

-----Original Message-----
From: Rick Wilson [mailto:rickwilson.mi@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, October 24, 2020 10:53 AM
To: Rob Manigold
Subject: Napafication

HI Rob -

Hope you and your family are well!

Just so sorry, sad and upset to hear of the winery issues. Having sat through many Township meetings years ago regarding the size and scope of promoting value-added agricultural uses with thoughtful land use regulations that aimed to protect the agricultural character of the Peninsula, it truly is angering to hear the litigious banter of the multi-million $$$ "winery" (resorts, hotels, restaurants, bars?) owners. I think of Gordon and Josh W and am saddened.

My folks moved from Northport to the Port of Old Mission a couple of years ago, so I do et to the base of the Peninsula. I'll try to get over the hill someday and pay a visit. I am still in Leelanau Township on our small farm surrounded by our solid Bohemian friends holding fast to the land yet under immense pressure.

You are a stalwart champion of the family farmer and the landscape you have shaped. Hang tough!

Rick=

**Rebecca Chown**

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**From:** Danielle Clayton <d.clayton@ompschool.org>
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 27, 2020 9:57 AM
**To:** supervisor@peninsulatownship.com; Renee Kolle; officemanager@peninsulatownship.com; clerk@peninsulatownship.com
**Subject:** Hello from Old Mission Peninsula School

Good morning!

My name is Danielle Clayton and I am one of the new principals at Old Mission Peninsula School. The other principal is Renee Kolle. We were both teachers at the school last year and are enjoying this new adventure with an amazing group of families. We are very aware that this school is supported by a much larger community effort in addition to the current families and we are so appreciative of everything that has been done for the children at OMPS.

We wanted to start an open line of communication and invite you to come visit us anytime. Although we have strict guidelines because of COVID this year, we would love to show you the amazing things that are happening here despite all of these challenges.

Just to give you a couple of examples:
*Due to COVID precautions, our teachers have been thinking "outside the box" to make teaching fun and engaging. Art, Music and Physical Education happen outside unless weather doesn't permit it. The creativity to make this happen day after day is incredible and we have a beautiful campus to take advantage of this.
*Classroom teachers have been exploring the outdoors regularly to track animal prints, discover how leaves change through seasons, complete water testing at the pond, and understand how nature plays an important role in our lives.
* OMPS was just awarded the "Golden Shoe" from Norte for being the most "walktastic" school on Walk-To-School day. With the support of the local fire department, many students walked from the Peninsula Library to the school, with permission from all of our neighbors to use the field as a path.
*Students were able to continue participating in our annual Track and Trail Fundraiser using OMPS's large outdoor campus. Students are sponsored to run for this event by families members. Although parents were not able to attend this year, the event continued to be a largely successful and exciting fundraiser for the school.
* To help students continue to celebrate Halloween, we are doing a "trick or treat" event inside(with many precautions in place) for the students. We are collaborating with the Peninsula Library to do a "spooky" virtual story that students can enjoy from the safety of their classroom.
* Kindness day is coming up on November 13th! Because this day is so close to Veteran's Day, OMPS will be taking part in Operation Christmas Stocking. This is a program that provides essentials to military families in need. Each class will bring in specific items so we can fill as many stocking as possible. Although this event is put on by the American Legion, one of our amazing teachers is heading it up for OMPS.

We are brainstorming so many ways to introduce students to exciting ways of learning that happen everywhere. We would love to continue giving you highlights of what happens here at OMPS and can hopefully meet in person someday in the near future! Please let us know if you ever have any questions or suggestions for us!

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**Danielle Clayton**

## Old Mission Peninsula School
## Principal

"Working hard is important, but there is something that matters even more: believing in yourself." (Harry Potter)

**David D. Taft**
**952 Neahtawanta Road**
**Traverse City, Michigan 49686**

November 2, 2020

Peninsula Township Supervisor and Trustees:

I am writing about the Wineries of Old Mission Peninsula (WOMP) lawsuit alleging that the ZO restricts their operations and violates Federal and State laws. I am not a lawyer and will not debate the legal case. Instead, I want to relate to you a perspective of a resident who has watched the development of wineries on OMP over the last 40 years. From my view, I hope the Township will reply to the lawsuit with a commitment to simplify and update to a more understandable, measurable and enforceable zoning ordinance on wineries.

We live in a rural agricultural community. We hope for continued success of our innovative and ever-changing agricultural community. Our residents have made their wishes known in the master plan, planning discussions and a township survey. We love this peninsula: the unique views, the concern for conservation and the rural ambiance. We welcome vacationers, diversity and part-time residents. We also reflect deep concern for traffic, noise and safety as the community grows. Thus, our ZO reflects these concerns.

The zoning ordinance was developed with winery input and evolved to the current three sections in the draft:

6.34 – Winery/ Farm Processing facilities
6.35- Winery, Remote Tasting Room
6.36 – Winery-Chateaus

Over a dozen entities using the Special Use Permit process have established thriving and successful wine growing, production and retail businesses bringing additional prosperity and value to our community. Our zoning defined the requirements, and most are living within the definition of these requirements. Tourists, vacationers and local residents come to OMP for unique wine tasting at tasting rooms that offer wine by glass and bottle and often small food plates and enjoy the ambiance of our rural character. Scheduled special events – dinners with wine pairings for defined groups – are permitted to promote the agricultural benefits of our special peninsula.

Let me emphasize: The wineries/winery-chateaus agreed to the existing ZO with their approved SUPs. Some of these wineries were the authors of our current winery ordinance. Now these wineries want more—more events—weddings, bachelorette parties, political rallies, family reunions and other events.

The wineries want to become special event restaurants in addition to tasting rooms. Our zoning regulations, recognizing the desires of our residents for a rural community, define a small number of C-1 commercial zones where restaurants exist. Wineries are defined as A-1 ag zones, not C-1 commercial zones. Wineries are located intermixed with neighboring resident homes and farms by definition of our

zoning ordinance. They cannot be both C-1 and A-1 entities. Our residents do not want the increased traffic, noise and safety threat of these added events. These events would threaten to destroy the unique rural character of OMP.

Our existing and proposed ZO for wineries is confusing, conflicting and difficult to enforce. A dozen wineries have navigated our ZO to develop businesses that today are sale by glass and bottle and small plate entertainment centers. Let them continue with this interesting and successful business model.

My request of you: Our existing ordinance has enabled a successful wine economy on the peninsula. Keep it that way—as it maintains our rural character. Over a dozen wineries have accepted the standards of our ZO in their special use permits. Keep the winery (production/tasting), tasting room (sale), and winery-chateaus (hospitality) outline the same. But, please simplify the conflicts and complexity within the winery draft ordinance sections. Simplify the language, remove the redundancies and make the winery ordinance measurable to enforce. Today, it is confusing and difficult to enforce. For example, we all know that too much wine from other regions is brought to some of these wineries for sale. This is outside of the spirit of our ordinance. Therefore, make it measurable.

Most importantly, let the wineries thrive as they now do, but do not expand them into special party and celebration event restaurants that will destroy the ambiance of our community. Take a look at Napa and Sonoma to see the consequences of this expansion.

Sincerely,

David D Taft

# Business Agenda