

MONTHLY MEETING
April 5, 2009

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Robinson at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Jim Webber, Bill Robinson, Pamela Radabaugh and Anna Grobe. Absent: Harlan Reichle.

Minutes of March 5, 2009, approved.

Treasurer's Reports for the General Fund and Fire Fund were presented by Pamela Radabaugh. Motion by Jim Webber with a second by Anna Grobe to accept the Reports. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Bill Robinson, Anna Grobe, Pam Radabaugh. Nays; none. Absent; Harlan Reichle**

Additional Agenda items: Introduce new item under new business.
Reminder of the May 5, 2009 election

Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. Snowmobile Patrol report.
2. Letter from DEQ regarding the State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water Fund.
3. Received payment from Crystal Downs Country Club for their portion of the street lighting.
4. League of Women Voters newsletter.

OUTGOING:

1. Letter to Crystal Downs Country Club requesting reimbursement of their portion of the street lighting.
2. Letter to the Frankfort Fire Department requesting reimbursement for their share of the snow plowing, electric usage, propane and the rent for the fiscal year.

New Business: 1. Agreement with TBA/ISD for the collection of summer taxes. Tabled until the May 7, 2009 meeting so that we can find out what rate they will be paying.

2. Resolution regarding the diversion of fresh water from the watersheds. Tabled until more information can be obtained.

Minutes of April 2, 2009

3. Road improvements were discussed. Bill had a meeting with residents of Buttercup shores on the need to repair the road. At this time the Township does not have any type of road fund established. The residents are willing to speak with their neighbors about funding a portion of the repairs with the Township also funding a portion. Bill will speak with the County Road Commissioner regarding the way repairs are funded.

Old Business: 1. Discussion on the proposed County ORV ordinance. A draft of the map was shown and all of Lake Township has been closed.

County Updates: Mary Pitcher, County Commissioner- No date has been set to vote on whether to go ahead with the proposed ORV ordinance. A grant was received from the DEQ for the removal of the tires from the Fewins Rd. Dump. There is a Green Business Recycling program that will be implemented. It is for a 1 year trial basis and it is voluntary. A fee structure was submitted.

Rory Heckman, County Sheriff- Also commented on the proposed ORV ordinance. Handed out brochures on the up coming jail millage renewal. There will be a Benzie Safe Kids day held on May 2, 2009 from 11am until 2pm. Bike helmets will be available as well as car seat and booster seat checks. There will also be a tour of the jail for adults during that time. There will be a spaghetti dinner held on April 22, 2009 at the Platte River Association Hall on US 31 from 4:30pm until 8:00pm to benefit the K-9 unit. A question was asked; if the millage fails what will happen? Cuts will be necessary, but it is unknown at this time what they might be.

Committee Reports: Nancy Simmons, Zoning Administrator- Still getting inquiries regarding lot splits and calls from realtors regarding sales.

Bob Blank, Planning Commission- Absent Planning Commission meeting scheduled for April 21.

Public input and general discussion: 3 minute time limit. Chuck Clarke stated that the County audit was completed and it was a good audit. The Point Betsie Lighthouse received a grant for \$225,000.00 for improvements which must be matched by donations. Those can be directed to the Friends of Point Betsie.

Payment of Township Accounts:

Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second from Jim Webber to approve check # 3714 & Check # 3715 in the amount of \$1,200.08 which were paid in March. Check #3716 thru check #3749 will be void due to the opening of a new account. This was done due to several checks being charged to our account because the account number was very low. A new account has been opened and new checks printed to reflect the new account. To approve check #3753 thru Check#3784 to pay the Township accounts in the amount of \$13,586.41. Checks # 3750, 3751, and 3752 are void due to a printing error. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Jim Webber, Anna Grobe, Pam Radabaugh, Bill Robinson. Nays; none. Absent; Harlan Reichle**

Meeting adjourned: 7:54 pm

In Attendance: 17

Respectfully submitted

Anna Grobe, Clerk