

MONTHLY MEETING
January 2, 2009

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

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

Minutes of December 4, 2008, approved.

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

Additional Agenda items:

Correspondence:

INCOMING:

1. Newsletter from Friends of Pt. Betsie Lighthouse.

OUTGOING:

1. Letter sent to Tom and Kathy Stocklen with the amount of donations for the Township Park for the year 2008. Follow up letter sent to them thanking them for their matching donation.
2. Letter sent to Jeannette Feeheley regarding the use of the Township Hall for the annual meeting of the Citizens for Access to the Lakeshore. We have requested that they seek another site for the meeting and perhaps rotate the locations of the meetings.
3. Letter sent to William Blake requesting more information for his request of a possible exemption on 2008 property taxes. He is seeking exemption due to being a disabled veteran and we did not receive all the necessary documentation.

New Business: 1. None

Old Business: 1. Extension of Birch Point. Bill tried to contact Road Commission Manager Bob Weaver. He is on vacation so the matter is on hold.
2. Library issue- We are not going to table the issue, but due to many interested parties being away for the winter, the matter is on hold.

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County Updates: Mary Pitcher, County Commissioner- Styrofoam collection will be on January 3, 2009 from 9-12 at the Government Center and # 5 plastics can now be placed in the bins as well. The evaluation of the County Administrator has been completed. Five Commissioners participated in the evaluation as well as four of the elected officials. There were specific forms developed for the evaluation which mirrored his job description. The evaluation was adopted as satisfactory with a score of 5.67, with a range of 0-10 covering 11 categories. There has been a FOIA request which is being looked at by Dick Figura. There was a closed session, held by request of the Administrator, which would not be available by the FOIA request. Dave Niger has been kept on through the 2009 fiscal year. Mary will stop by the Township Office on Wednesday two weeks prior to our meeting to discuss any updates that we may need to be made aware of or that we would like to see her check into for us.

Rory Heckman, County Sheriff- Great start for the New Year. Still looking for money for the snowmobile safety program. Letters were sent to all the Townships, Villages and the City of Frankfort requesting pledges for the program. Last year 6 Townships and the City of Frankfort participated. We are still looking at the program due to the amount of time spent patrolling in the Township. Most of the time was spent in patrolling the lakes for activity, due to there not being any trails in the Township. Pledge of donation is tabled until February.

Committee Reports: Nancy Simmons, Zoning Administrator-absent
Bob Blank, Planning Commission- absent

Public input and general discussion: 3 minute time limit.

Budget amendment: Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second by Anna Grobe to amend the budget to transfer \$100.00 form Contingency Fund 101-890 to Pension Fund 101-861. This will result in a new balance of \$5,900.00 in Contingency Fund 101-890 and a new balance in Pension Fund 101-861 of 47,100.00 **Roll call vote: Aye; Bill Robinson, Harlan Reichle, Jim Webber, Pam Radabaugh and Anna Grobe. Nays; none.**

Payment of Township Accounts:

Motion by Pam Radabaugh with a second from Jim Webber to approve check # 3617 and check # 3618 for a total of \$ 1,314.41 that were paid and will be shown as an expense in December. To approve check #3619 thru check #3653 to pay the Township accounts in the amount of \$11,371.45. Check # 3650 is void. **Roll call vote: Ayes; Harlan Reichle, Bill Robinson, Pam Radabaugh, Anna Grobe, and Jim Webber. Nays; none.**

Meeting adjourned: 7:29 pm

In Attendance: 4

Respectfully submitted

Anna Grobe
Clerk