

EMMETT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 12, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Brozowski. The pledge to the flag followed.

Roll call was taken with all board members present.

Reliford made a motion to accept the April 14th meeting minutes as presented. The motion was second by Kot. Motion carried.

Kot presented the financial report with assets totaling \$325,832.25, expenses of \$36,407.14 and no current transactions in the T&A account. Cowhy made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Motion supported by Brown. Motion carried.

Cowhy moved to approve the expenses of \$36,407.14. Second by Kot. Motion carried. Cowhy made a motion to approve the payables of \$6,961.25. Reliford second the motion. Motion carried.

Brozowski read the letter from Kelli Sobel, Executive Director State Tax Commission reporting that the Township has received a perfect score and therefore has corrected the deficiencies noted in the original review of the assessing. Brozowski commended the Board, Assessor, and community for the cooperation and extra effort that brought about this positive result.

Kot reported that the new computers have been installed and that June 14th the BS&A program will be installed which will enable ~~residents~~ ^{PARCEL OWNERS} to access all tax information on-line. A link on the web site will enable information seekers who are not Township ~~residents~~ ^{PARCEL OWNERS} to receive information for a fee of \$2.00. There will also be a complete paper record of the tax bills for the office.

On April 28th the Township Office received a petition for disincorporation of the Village of Emmett. The petition carried enough signatures to bring this to a vote of the Village residents at the August 3 election.

Pat Vernier, President of the Village of Emmett asked the Township Board for support in getting answers out to the Village residents for any questions they might have regarding taxes, road maintenance, or any other concern they may have if the Village were to become a part of the Township so that they may understand what is involved if they were to lose their Village.

Cowhy made a motion to call a Special Meeting for June 16th to be held at the VFW Hall in the Village of Emmett in conjunction with the Village Council Special Meeting

in support of the Village, with a notice of size in the Yale Expositor to be paid by the Township. Motion was second by Reliford. Motion carried.

A total of 4 lawn maintenance bids all received by April 26th were presented to the Board.

Brozowski motioned to accept the bid of Reliford Const. of \$70.00 per week for total Park maintenance. Kot second the motion.

Roll Call: Cowhy; Nay, Kot; Yea, Brown; Nay, Brozowski; Yea, Reliford; Abstained
Motion did not pass, lack of support.

Motion by Brown to accept the bid of \$58.00 per cut with trim and 1 to 2 trimmings of the shrubs by Shane Hopkins. Second by Cowhy.

Roll Call: Reliford; Yea, Kot; Yea, Brown; Yea, Brozowski; Yea, Cowhy; Yea.
Motion carried.

A Motion by Brozowski to accept the Reliford Const. bid for a back-up in any case that Shane Hopkins doesn't work out. Second by Cowhy.

Roll Call: Kot; Yea, Brown; Yea, Brozowski; Yea, Cowhy; Yea, Reliford; Abstained

A motion by Brown to place Jim Waddy as overall buildings & grounds overseer @ \$12.00 per hour. Position will require a once a month inspection of property & equipment and availability in case of emergency, payment to be split between Parks & Rec. Account and General Fund. Cowhy second the motion.

Roll Call: Brown; Yea, Brozowski; Yea, Cowhy; Yea, Reliford; Yea, Kot; Yea.

Edsel Dunn has given notice that he is retiring as Land Split Officer. Land split fee should be changed to \$50.00 for the first split and \$25.00 for each additional with 10% going back to the general fund and the remainder to be paid to the Land Split Officer because the current fee doesn't even cover the expense involved.

A motion was made by Reliford to appoint Bob Kean to the position of land-split officer if he is willing, and the new fee of \$50.00 first split and \$25.00 each additional in effect. Cowhy second the motion. Motion carried.

Cowhy made a motion to have Jim Waddy research what is needed here at the hall for a generator that would automatically switch on in case of power failure. Brown second the motion. Motion carried.

It is possibly there could be a grant thru emergency management for a generator, maybe the information could be obtained at the Emergency Management Breakfast on the 14th. Board members attending will be Kot, Brozowski, and Reliford.

An all day meeting pertaining to the Hyde Drain will be held May 19th.

Brozowski read a thank you from the 4-County Foundation for the recent donation of \$2,000 from our Parks & Recreation fund to the Capac Youth Sports.

Cowhy motioned to table the gazebo project until further research can be done. Kot second the motion. Motion carried.

A mission statement pertaining to the assessing was read by Brozowski with Cowhy making a motion to adopt the statement as read. Brozowski second the motion. Motion carried.

Cowhy made a motion for Brown & Brozowski to attend a Policies & Procedures Seminar at Frankenmuth June 15th for \$89.00 each early bird rate and an additional \$31.50 for the book. Reliford second the motion. Motion carried.

Reliford reported on the Michigan medical marihuana seminar that Brozowski and she had attended.

Vern Pearl will be a mentor for someone interested in becoming an assessor and will pay \$5.00 per hour with the Township paying \$5.00 not to exceed \$600.00 each per calendar year which keeps it reportable on a 1099 only.

Applications received for the Trustee vacancy were John Kowalski, Joe Madison and Sandra Reliford.

Cowhy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second was made by Kot. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Beverly K. Brown, Clerk