

# **COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP**

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP HALL-COUNTY ROAD 571**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2010, 7:00 P.M.**

This meeting was rescheduled from December 13, 2010 due to weather and illness.

Supervisor Neubecker called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll call were Supervisor Neubecker, Clerk Hodges, Treasurer Lambert, Trustee Corrado and Trustee Bagnell. Approx. 4 guests were also present.

Adoption of the Agenda - Scott Mately from Area Waste and the County Commissioner were removed from the agenda since they were not able to attend the meeting. Sheriff's Dept. was added as item G under New Business. M/Lambert S/Corrado to adopt the agenda as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

Establish any conflict of interest of items that are on the agenda. None were presented.

Approval of Minutes - M/Lambert S/Corrado to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2010 regular board meeting as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Tower - Pamela Stuckman, Site Acquisition and Zoning Specialist and Gary John, Network Engineer and Tower Specialist were both present and gave a presentation on locating a tower on township property. Pamela Stuckman also presented a proposal to provide the township with guidance regarding the potential for locating a tower on township property, which will have the ability to provide space for service providers to locate their antenna, and provide an opportunity to encourage those actions by others. The hourly rate would be \$35.00 per hour for work, and not to exceed \$2,000.00. Another expense would be for Propagation maps at \$75.00 each with a minimum of 7 needed. Discussion followed. M/Neubecker S/Hodges to accept the proposal and to include all thirteen points as presented by Pamela Stuckman. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed.

#### **Committee Reports:**

(A) Planning & Maintenance - Trustee Bagnell reported that The flags were removed from the cemetery and that a tree fell over at Sands Park and that he took his chain saw

over and cut it up.

(B) Fireboard - Minutes from the December 1, 2010 Fireboard meeting were presented. It showed that they had 8 fire runs and 14 rescue runs for the month of November. Copy of the minutes is on file.

(C) Road Commission Meeting - Corrado was unable to attend the road commission meeting but he did report that the commissioners held up the appointments to the road commission until after the new Board of Commissioners takes over in January on the advice from their attorney and that there was a question as to why Green was still getting paid by the road commission since he hasn't been showing for the last 4 or 5 meetings. Neubecker said that in the correspondence that he has received from the road commission, they basically stated, that they do not plan on any new programs or any new projects for the next three years and that they are just going to pay the people to sit in the road commission barn. He also said that the funds that were left over from the project on 612 are going to be put into their General Fund.

(D) Ordinance Enforcement Officer - Wendy updated the board on the cases that she is working on. Copy of her report is on file.

(E) Park & Recreation Committee - Brenda Lambert reported on the progress of the Five Year Park and Recreation Plan. She also presented each board member with a copy of the five-year plan to read over before the next board meeting, at which time the township board will have to vote on the plan. She also said that they are having a Title Search done on Sands Park. The encroachments at either end of the park were also discussed.

(F) Liquor Enforcement - The monthly LCC report was received on Kiootee's Bar & Grill for the month of November. The report showed that there were no violations. Also received was the Crime report from the Sheriff's Department. It showed that there were 20 incidents for the month of November and 230 year to date. Copy of the report is on file.

### **Treasurers Report:**

Treasurer Lambert presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month of November 2010. The report showed that there was \$390,092.25 in the various bank accounts. \$10.05 in the Forest Area Federal Credit Union, \$10,542.41 in the MCU Building Fund MM account \$18,349.44 in the MCU Township Improvement MM account, \$33,444.50 in the Tax Account and \$100.00 in the Petty Cash Fund. M/Neubecker, S/Hodges to accept the treasurer's report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

(A) Approve agreements to collect 2010 winter taxes for Kalkaska Schools, Mancelona Schools and TBA. Short discussion. M/Neubecker S/Lambert to approve the agreements for Kalkaska, TBA and Mancelona school districts, to collect the taxes provided the rates do not go below the rates that were paid the previous year. All in favor. Motion carried.

(B) Approve the extension of the Metro Act Right of Way for AT&T. M/Neubecker S/Corrado to approve the extension of the Metro Act Right of Way for At&T. All in favor. Motion Carried.

(C) Sunday Sales Permits for beer, wine & spirits. The township received a letter from the LCC in reference to the recent action taken by the Legislature to approve the sale of beer, wine and spirits between the hours of 7:00 a.m. Sunday and 2:00 a.m. on Monday. The letter asked if the township had any resolution or ordinance prohibiting such sales, and if we do to please forward them a copy. The township does not have any resolution or ordinance prohibiting the sales. Discussion followed. M/Neubecker S/Hodges not to take any action, giving the State authorization to let the sales go into effect. 4 years, 1 opposed. Motion carried.

(D) Sale of Property - Lambert said that the State had a sale of 2 pieces of foreclosed property in our township. One parcel sold and the other did not. The State said that if they do not hear from us by the 30<sup>th</sup> of December, the property would be transferred over to the township. Discussion followed. M/Neubecker S/Corrado to not take any action and let the property revert to the township. All in favor. Motion carried.

(E) Road Improvements for 2011 - Neubecker said that the reason this item is on the agenda is because he wanted to make it formal that Coldsprings Township is not on the Road Commission's list for any roadwork in 2011. He did say that Blue Lake Township is moving forward with road improvements because they have that mileage and are going to continue with road improvements. He said that Rapid River Township is going to move ahead, cautiously, because they also have a road millage that was approved although he said that John Rogers, who used to be the Manager for Kalkaska County Road Commission, is not happy with the way the KCRC is doing business.

(F) Rapid River Fire Agreement - Neubecker asked to have the item tabled to January's meeting.

(G) Sheriff's Department - Corrado said that he just wanted to pass on some information regarding the Sheriff's Department. He said that with the budget cuts that the BOC have proposed, there is a very good possibility that we will no longer have a 24-hour Sheriff's Department. He said that they already have cut back in other departments, where they either have laid off people or cut back hours.

**Approval of Bills:**

All bills were reviewed. M/Corrado S/Bagnell to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote. Lambert yes, Hodges yes, Neubecker yes, Bagnell yes and Corrado yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks #11824 through #11862 in the amount of \$22,797.19 were approved for payment.

**Public comments**

**Adjournment:** M/Corrado S/Bagnell to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Mary Hodges  
Coldsprings Township Clerk

