

COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP HALL-COUNTY ROAD 571

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2010 7:00 P.M.

Supervisor Neubecker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll were Supervisor Neubecker, Clerk Hodges, Treasurer Lambert, Trustee Corrado and Trustee Bagnell. County Commissioner Lou Nemeth and approx. 14 members of public were also present.

Adoption of the Agenda - M/Lambert S/Corrado to adopt the agenda as presented.

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

Approval of Minutes:

(A) September 13, 2010 regular board meeting. M/Corrado S/Lambert to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2010 regular board meeting as presented. Bagnell abstained, (he was not a member of the board at the time of the September meeting). Motion carried.

(B) September 16, 2010 Special Board Meeting for Parks & Recreation. M/Neubecker S/Lambert to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2010 special board meeting as presented. Bagnell abstained, (he was absent). Motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Scott Mately from Area Waste Services was present to report on the trash pickup.

Committee Reports:

(A) Planning & Maintenance - Bagnell said that he would check with the Sheriff about having the Buoys taken out. Hodges said the fall cemetery cleanup will take place the week of October 25th and that any memorials that the families of the deceased would like to keep must be removed prior to October 25th. She also said that the notice is being published in the Kalkaska Leader and Penny Stretcher.

(B) Fire Board Meeting - Minutes from the October 6, 2010 Fire Board meeting were presented. Copy of the minutes is on file.

(C) Road Commissioners Meeting - Corrado said that he was unable to attend October's

Road Commissioners Meeting due to his work schedule. He did read a letter that he sent to Commissioner Lou Nemeth and the County Board of Commissioners, on behalf of the township board, in regards to what was said by one of the Road Commissioners at their September 13, 2010 meeting. Corrado said he thinks that the letter is going to be addressed at the next County Board of Commissioners meeting. Discussion followed. Copy of the letter is on file.

(D) Ordinance Enforcement Officer - Wendy updated the board on a number of cases that she is working on. Wendy said that she has 25 closed cases and 13 active cases. She said that they were going to be out on Tower Road Wednesday to do some clean up to some state land and that with the help of Area Waste Services, they should get it all cleaned up. Copy of the report is on file.

(E) Park & Recreation Committee - Lambert said that the Park & Recreation Committee met on Wednesday September 15th. She said that they contacted the road commission about the directional signs to Sands Park that are going to be placed at County Road 571 & 612 and 612 & Sands Park Dr. and said that they are on order and should be ready in about 4 to 6 weeks. Lambert also said that the committee met with Pam Stuckman, who is going to work on the five-year plan for the township. Lambert said that she ordered the survey of the park, that was discussed at last month's meeting, and that the survey is now complete. They found that there are some questions as to a deck that is actually right over the property line marker and also a dock that is on the township property. She said that we would be talking to legal counsel about them. She said that it would not have any effect on our five-year plan. Lambert said that the committee drew up some plans of what they would like to see at the township park and Pam Stuckman took them back and drew up a plan, which will be discussed at a public meeting, that will be held on October 20th, at the township hall at 7:00 p.m. Pam Stuckman was present and gave a presentation as to some of the details that need to be done in order to move forward with the five-year plan. The hopes are to have a plan available by December 1st, which will be available to the general public. Then any changes can be made in January & February so that the board can adopt the plan and have it ready to submit for the Grant Application before the deadline, which is April 1st. Discussion followed.

(F) Liquor Enforcement - A good report was received for Kiootee's Bar & Grill for the month of September. The crime report for the month of September was also received and it showed that there were 22 incidents for the month.

(G) County Commissioner Lou Nemeth - Commissioner Nemeth updated the township on a variety of activities and plans within the county. He said that they did not get the Broadband Federal Grant. He said that what happened is that there was four hundred million dollars left and the federal government decided to spend that money instead for groups to make plans for the future. He said that now the county would have to get private funding.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Lambert presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month of September. The report showed that there was \$403,292.92 in the various bank accounts. \$10.05 in the Forest Area Federal Credit Union, \$1,294,368.46 in the tax account and \$100.00 in the petty cash fund. Lambert said that she would be making a large payout to the schools and county from the tax account this week. The report also showed that there was \$10,535.84 in a building fund account at Members Credit Union and \$18,337.99 in a township improvement account at Members Credit Union. M/Neubecker S/Hodges to accept the treasurers report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business:

(A) Open Snow Bids - Only one bid was received. Short discussion. M/Neubecker S/Corrado to accept the bid for snow plowing at the township hall and the road endings as advertised, from McCullen Excavating in the amount of \$3,220.00 for the season. Roll call. Lambert yes, Hodges yes, Bagnell yes, Corrado yes and Neubecker yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

(B) Quotes for Treasurers Computer - Lambert presented two quotes. One from Syscom and one from Bay Area. Discussion followed. M/Neubecker S/Hodges to accept the Syscom bid with an upgrade to 4GB at the cost difference as quoted and disinclude the cost of the Laser Jet printer and allow Lambert to go on line and purchase the Laser Jet printer. Lambert said that if something happened that she could not purchase the printer on line at the lesser price she would get it from Syscom. All in favor. Motion carried.

(C) Violations Bureau - The board reviewed the ordinance and made a few corrections. Discussion followed. M/Corrado S/Lambert to adopt Coldsprings Township Ordinance 01 of 2010, which is, Municipal Civil Infraction Violations Bureau. Roll call vote. Bagnell yes, Lambert yes, Hodges yes, Corrado yes and Neubecker yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Ordinance adopted. The Ordinance will be come effective the day immediately following the publication in the local newspaper.

8:40 P.M. - Neubecker asked that we take a 10-minute recess.

8:50 P.M. - Board convened. All board members were present.

(D) Dangerous Building Ordinance - Put on the agenda for November

(E) Online Cemetery Burial Search - Talk to Mark Wolschon about putting the cemetery records on our Website

New Business:

(A) Rapid River Fire Agreement - Neubecker said that the Fire Board has not acted on it yet and to send the Agreement over to them for their next Fireboard meeting.

(B) Amend the budget for the 3rd quarter - The board reviewed the changes that the clerk had presented. M/Neubecker S/Lambert to amend the budget as presented by the clerk. Roll call vote. Bagnell yes, Corrado yes, Neubecker yes, Hodges yes and Lambert yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

(C) Merit Network, Inc. - The township received an application and a check for \$500.00 from Merit Network, Inc. for a Metro Act Permit to access our township rights of way. Merit Network, inc. is in the process of building fiber-optic infrastructure throughout the state of Michigan and the path they hope to take runs through part of our township. Short discussion. Neubecker said to send the information to our attorney to look over and see what our options are.

Approval of Bills:

All bills were reviewed. M/Lambert S/Corrado to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote. Hodges yes, Bagnell yes, Neubecker yes, Corrado yes and Lambert yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks #11748 through check #11782 in the amount of \$26,999.38 were approved for payment.

Public Comments:

Began at 9:26 p.m. and ended at 9:34 p.m. Lou Nemeth spoke highly of Pam Stuckman, who is putting the five-year plan together for our township. He said that she has donated a lot of her time to the Kaliseum and Recycling. He also spoke about the Library and Computer Tech Support for the county.

M/Lambert S/Bagnell to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35.p.m.

Mary Hodges
Coldsprings Township Clerk

