

COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2012, 7:00 P.M.

Supervisor Neubecker called to meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll call were Supervisor Neubecker, Clerk Hodges, Treasurer Lambert, Trustee Bagnell and Trustee Hoffman. Road Commissioner Corrado and approx. 12 members of the public were also present.

Adoption of the Agenda:

Clerk Hodges said that we have to add the grant application for the Michigan Townships Participating Plan for the \$5,000.00 grant for the Park. **Motion** by Lambert supported by Hoffman to adopt the agenda as amended.

Conflict of Interest:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Lambert supported by Neubecker to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2012 regular board meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Committee Reports:

- (A) Planning & Maintenance - Bagnell reported that the fall cleanup of the cemetery is scheduled for the week of October 15th. The dock will be taken out this week; the flags will be left on the graves until after Veterans Day and the restroom at the Park will be locked the 1st of November for the winter.
- (B) Fire Board - Minutes from the October 3, 2012 Fire Board meeting were presented. The minutes showed that there were 4 fire runs and 10 rescue runs for the month of September. A complete copy of the minutes is on file with clerk.
- (C) Road Commissioners Meeting - Commissioner Corrado said that they are still in

negations with the union and are very close to fact finding. He also said that the new manager took over the first of October. Corrado also reported that the county will no longer be plowing the portion of Sands Park Road that is in the Punch & Judy & Sleepy Hollow Private sub-division. He said that it was brought to the attention of the road commission that they had been plowing that portion of the road illegally and even though it was benefiting the road commission as well as property owners in the sub-division, however since it was being done illegally they will no longer be plowing that portion of Sands Park road. He presented a letter stating the change and he said that the Road Commission also put a sign up at the end of the County portion of the road that they will be plowing.

(D) Ordinance Enforcement Officer - Wendy reported that the burned out property on Central Avenue is finally cleaned up and she wanted to thank Scott and his partner at Area Waste, Tom Lambert and Dick Malott for all their hard work. She said that even the frame is gone. She also updated the board on a couple of complaints that she had received.

(E) Park & Recreation Committee Meeting - Brenda presented the minutes from the October 2, 2012 P & R committee meeting. The minutes showed that as to the encroachment update, information has been given to Supervisor Neubecker for the process to begin. Brenda reported that the P & R committee went over to the park and measured off as to where the pavilion, the restrooms and the path would be located and said that the pavilion will be centrally located within the park. She also reported that the township did not qualify for NWMCOG grant that we had applied for. There was a discussion regarding 17.19 acres of property at the north end of Manistee Lake that the property owners is proposing to the township to possibly acquire through a land acquisition grant. Neubecker said that we should move forward and asked Brenda to contact the family and get more information. A complete copy of the minutes is on file with the clerk.

(F) County Commissioner - Not present.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Lambert presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month of September 2012. The report showed that there was \$298,806.92 in the various bank accounts, \$10.07 in the Forest Area Credit Union, \$10,627.58 in the Building Fund MM account, \$18,497.70 in the Township Improvement Fund MM account, \$1,530,712.41 in the Tax account and \$100.00 in the Petty Cash Fund. Lambert also presented the quarterly report for CD's that the township has. The report showed that there is \$54,945.18 in Building Fund CD's and \$416,872.47 in Township Improvement CD's. **Motion** by Neubecker supported by Hodges to accept the treasurer's report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business:

(A) Sands Park Ordinance - Neubecker said that the new Ordinance will replace in its

entirety the ordinance that we now have in existence. Neubecker read the Sands Park Ordinance. **Motion** by Neubecker supported by Hoffman to adopt Sands Park Ordinance which is #1 of 2012 as presented. Roll call vote. Lambert yes, Hodges yes, Bagnell yes, Hoffman yes and Neubecker yes. Neubecker said that the Ordinance has been adopted on October 8, 2012. Neubecker said that the Ordinance will be published in the newspaper and will take effect 30 days after it has been published. Copy of the Ordinance is on file.

- (B) Open Snow Bids - Two bids for snow plowing were received. One from Paul Vincent for \$130.00 to \$200.00 and the second bid from Mike Deater was for \$3,000.00. Neubecker asked if Paul Vincent was present. He was not. Neubecker asked that for the record that the snow bid provided by Paul Vincent was not in accordance with our policy and has been rejected. **Motion** by Neubecker supported by Hoffman to accept the snow bid from Mike Deater for the entire 2012-2012 season in the amount of \$3,000.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

- (A) Frank Furst Re: Snow Plowing - Since the County will no longer be plowing Sands Park Drive within the Punch & Judy and Sleepy Hollow sub-divisions Furst asked if the Township Board would send a letter to the property owners in the two sub-divisions stating such. Discussion. Neubecker asked Lambert to give him a list of the property owners and he said that he would send them a letter stating that the County would no longer be plowing Sands Park Drive within their sub-divisions.
- (B) Approve Election Workers for the November 6, 2012 election - **Motion** by Hodges supported by Lambert to approve the following to work the November 6, 2012 election – Judy Newkirk, Chairperson, Inspectors Darlene Berkshire, Therese Fell, Linda Bethke, Tracey Thomas, Joan Nikischer, Rosemary Rodgers, Pamela Burns, Virginia Bondy, Cheryl Collins and as an alternate Wendy Corona. All in favor. Motion carried.
- (C) Treasurer & Deputy Treasurer attend MTA Workshop in Gaylord. Cost \$329.50 - **Motion** by Hoffman supported by Neubecker to approve the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer to attend the MTA Workshop in Gaylord for a total cost of \$329.50. All in favor. Motion carried.
- (D) MTPP Grant Application - Lambert said that one of the things that the Park & Recreation Committee were looking at for Sands Park was getting security cameras and the Michigan Township Participating Plan which is through our insurance company, have a risk grant program that the township could apply for. The cost of the cameras (there would be 5 cameras) would be \$8,835.00, the grant would be for \$5,000.00 which would leave a cost to the township of \$3,835.00. Discussion. **Motion** by Neubecker supported by Hodges that we

do approve the MTPP Grant application for security cameras with the understanding that there is a portion that the township will have to pay. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills:

Bills were reviewed. Two bills were added (1) Northern Trees for \$600.00 and (2) MTA for \$329.50) **Motion** by Hoffman supported by Lambert to pay the bills with the two additions for a total of \$17,406.49. Roll call vote. Bagnell yes, Hodges yes, Neubecker yes, Lambert yes and Hoffman yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hodges also asked that we be authorized to pay Tommy's Toys for the stump removal that will be done this week. The amount will be around \$400.00. Discussion. **Motion** by Neubecker supported by Bagnell to authorize payment to Tommy's Toys prior to the next board meeting for work which he has been requested to do for stump removal. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Bruce Soloway introduced himself as the Republican candidate for Kalkaska County Sheriff. He also noted that his Undersheriff will be Dennis Corrado.

Adjournment:

Motion by Neubecker supported by Bagnell to adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Mary Hodges
Coldsprings Township Clerk