

# **COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP**

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

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

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2005**  
**P.M.**

**7:00**

Supervisor Neubecker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll call were Supervisor Neubecker, Clerk Hodges, Treasurer Casto, Trustee Bondy and Trustee Paladino. Approx. 7 guests were also present.

Adoption of the Agenda - M/Casto S/Bondy to adopt the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

Approval of the Minutes from the August 8, 2005 regular board meeting. Neubecker said that we've always referred to Laings road ending as Laings when actually it should be referred to as Cedar Street road ending. Neubecker asked to have that noted in the minutes for September. M/Paladino S/Bondy to approve the minutes from the August 8, 2005 regular board meeting as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed.

Committee Reports - Planning & Maintenance - Trustee Bondy reported that the work crew started working on the fence in the cemetery. She said so far they have put in 162 man-hours. She also reported that the trash bins have been picked up from the park.

Fire Board - Minutes from the September 7<sup>th</sup> fireboard meeting were not received. Treasurer Casto gave a synopsis of the meeting.

Road Commissioners meeting - Trustee Paladino reported that the culvert on E Shore Drive has been opened. Neubecker said that although they have opened it back up the correction that they did to it is not satisfactory. Paladino also said that there were about a half of dozen people from Starvation Lake Rd at the road commission meeting and they asked the commissioners what the cost would be to finish Starvation Lake Rd instead of continually grading it. The road commissioners basically said that they would not be doing anything more

unless it was an emergency or safety related because they have \$91,000.00 less to work with this year than they did last year and that the rest of the money that they do have in their budget they would need for winter time snow removal. Neubecker said that he has had some property owners call him regarding Starvation Lake Rd and he asked them to send a letter to Mike Slater and also the road commissioners because he doesn't feel that the communication is going from the manager to the board. Short discussion followed. Paladino said that he would be attending the road commission meeting September 14<sup>th</sup>. Liquor Enforcement - Nothing to report.

Treasurers Report - Treasurer Casto presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month of August. The report showed that there was \$328,883.56 in the various bank accounts, \$388,876.53 in the tax account and \$100.00 in the petty cash fund. It was also reported that we had to refund to ANR Storage a total of \$55,873.41. That was for all the entities. Casto said that everyone has paid back their portion to the township except the Hospital, Public Transportation and Mancelona Schools. M/Hodges S/Neubecker to accept the treasurer's report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business - (A) Update on road endings surveys - Neubecker said that the surveys on the road endings are almost complete. He said that E Shore Drive is done but they still have to survey the road ending on Pickerel Lake. Short discussion.

New Business - (A) Bids for snow plowing - Short discussion. Hodges will advertise for bids. (B) Amend the budget - Clerk Hodges recommended 9 amendments to the current budget. Three under revenues and six under expenses. The largest portion was due to the refund the township had to make to ANR Storage. M/Neubecker S/Paladino to accept the budget amendments as proposed. Roll call vote. Casto yes, Hodges yes, Bondy yes, Paladino yes and Neubecker yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Copy of the amended budget is on file.

Neubecker asked to make an amendment to the agenda at this time. M/Neubecker to include under New Business item C - to appoint a member to the Manistee Lake Board. Supported by Paladino. All in favor. Motion carried.

(C) Manistee Lake Board appointee - Neubecker said that we have discussed in the past that a initial appointment to the lake board should be a member of the sitting township board and he asked if any township board member would like to accept an appointment as the Coldsprings representative to the Manistee Lake Improvement Board. There were no volunteers. Neubecker then asked the board to accept the nomination of the Supervisor to the Manistee Lake Improvement Board. Supported by Bondy. All in favor.

Approval of Bills - M/Paladino S/Bondy to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote. Casto yes, Hodges yes, Neubecker yes, Bondy yes and Paladino yes. All in favor. Motion

carried. Checks #9852 through #9881 in the amount of \$75,990.28 were issued for payment.

Citizens Comments - Gancer asked that the board re-instate the annual meeting and hold it during the months of June, July or August. Neubecker said that it is a state law that the meeting cannot be held during those months. It has to be held the last Saturday of the townships fiscal year, which would be the last Saturday of March. Gancer then asked that the annual meeting just be re-instated. Neubecker said we would put it on the agenda for October for discussion. Neubecker also asked that the Septic Ordinance be placed on the agenda for October. Hodges asked Neubecker if he looked into a tower being placed on or near the township hall. He said he had not, but will do so.

M/Paladino S/Casto to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

Mary Hodges  
Coldsprings Township Clerk

**These minutes were approved at the October 10, 2005 regular township board meeting.**