

Wilson Township Board of Trustees
August 14, 2013

CALL TO ORDER: Todd Sorenson, Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Present: Supervisor Todd Sorenson, Clerk Marilyn Beebe, Treasurer Kerri Reinhardt, Trustee Louie Fall, and Trustee Jeff Argetsinger. Absent: None. Also present: Ron Reinhardt, District 3 County Commissioner and Keith Ogden with the Charlevoix County Road Commission.

READING OF MINUTES: Moved by Jeff Argetsinger to approve the minutes from the July 10, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting, second by Louie Fall. Discussion: Louie Fall noted a correction to the minutes under Park & Hall: ~~Two~~ One out of three bid respondents bid on a complete reroof. **Voice vote:** all ayes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CITIZENS COMMENTS / OATHS OF OFFICE / PRESENTATIONS:

1. Keith Ogden provided an annual road project construction status on behalf of the County Road Commission. Further discussion on:
 - East Deer Lake Road – extremely dangerous (requested striping & traffic count)
 - County Wide Road Improvement Millage – Kings Highway or Ellsworth Road may be next in line for improvement.
 - Todd vehemently stressed that East Deer Lake Road needs to get fixed before someone gets killed and sues the county (& townships).

PUBLIC HEARING/CORRESPONDENCE:

1. State of Michigan: Two notices for electric customers of Consumers Energy Company of pending cases (U-17321 & U-17429)
2. Township Hall Re-roof Bids:
 - Caverly Construction: \$7,350.00
 - Cosier Construction: \$6,000.00
 - Trixler Construction: \$6,200.00

Moved by Todd Sorenson to award the reroofing of the township hall to Cosier Construction for \$6,000.00, second by Louie Fall. Discussion: none. **Roll call:** Fall – aye, Argetsinger – aye, Sorenson – aye, Beebe – aye, Reinhardt - aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**
3. Request to extend METRO Act agreement with AT&T: After review, the township attorney recommended that the township approve the METRO Act Right of Way Permit Extension for a 5 year period. Moved by Kerri Reinhardt to approve the METRO Act Right of Way Permit Extension, second by Jeff Argetsinger. Discussion: none. **Roll call:** Fall – aye, Argetsinger – aye, Sorenson – aye, Beebe – aye, Reinhardt - aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT/CLERK WARRANTS:

Treasurer –July month-end balances:

General Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	231,420.38
General Checking (Charlevoix State Bank)	961.58
Sewer Escrow Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	11,221.79
Tax Account Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	4,728.60
Tax Checking (Charlevoix State Bank)	538.28
General Money Market (Huntington Bank)	102,304.61
Total Checking/Savings	351,175.24

CLERK –July/August warrants for payment: checks numbering 4104 to 4132 totaling **\$26,775.47** (includes an E-Pay amount of \$1,556.36 to Charlevoix State Bank for Federal payroll liabilities and \$264.52 to the State of Michigan for Michigan payroll liabilities).

Moved by Marilyn Beebe to approve the treasurer’s report and clerk’s warrants for July/August bills totaling \$26,775.47, **second** by Jeff Argetsinger. Discussion: Louie Fall asked if the cemetery scanning was paid for this month. Jeff Argetsinger responded that yes, the cemetery scanning invoice was included in the bills to be paid. **Roll call:** Fall – aye, Argetsinger – aye, Sorenson – aye, Beebe – aye, Reinhardt - aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Supervisor: Todd Sorenson. Report submitted.
2. Planning Commission: Jeff Argetsinger
 - Approved Hildebrandt Special Use for home-based business
 - Grandfathering discussion: The townships zoning ordinance and provisions in the Zoning Enabling Act limit the actions that the Planning Commission can take regarding grandfathered and nonconforming uses.
 - Discussion on need for a fireworks ordinance. The MTA will also discuss a common township fireworks ordinance at the request of the Charlevoix County Sheriff.
3. ZBA: Marilyn Beebe – no meeting
4. MTA: Jeff Argetsinger
 - Program on trails (benefits, different types, locations). Discussed the trail being constructed off Behling/Dyer Roads.
5. Cemetery: Jeff Argetsinger
 - Attended a Todd Family History program at Raven Hill (planned trip to cemetery cancelled due to darkness). Jeff learned that the cemetery was vandalized in 1950 and a lot of headstones were destroyed.
 - Busy reviewing old death certificates, comparing cemetery records to certificates. Jeff would like to have the certificates scanned. Todd will help.
 - Jeremy Peck contacted Jeff about being stung multiple times by bees while mowing Knup Cemetery (didn’t finish mowing). Jeff took care of the bee infestation.
6. Park/hall: Louie Fall – new roof bid
7. Roads: Todd Sorenson – no update

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Jordan Valley Area Ambulance Authority:
 - All units in the authority were asked to name an alternate if a regular member can’t make a meeting. Jeff Argetsinger volunteered to sit on the authority as alternate when Todd is unable to make a meeting.
 - A payment of \$4,000 per authority unit is being requested to make a first year payment on a five year loan to purchase a new chassis. Todd asked board members if they thought this would be a problem. All board members were agreeable to the expense especially since a millage is collected for this purpose.
2. Broadband – Airiston: Todd Sorenson reported that he spoke with Mike Matelski with Airiston. Mr. Matelski said that they are planning on rolling out the service in the fall. He also noted that the response has been tremendous.
3. Security Camera System: Installed and running.
4. Website: Undergoing domain changes. Will be unavailable for a few more days.
5. Placemaking Grant: Application submitted – requested funds for picnic tables.
6. Fall Cleanup: Todd is getting post cards ready. Kerri & Louie volunteered to work the cleanup.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. September 2013 Meeting: **Motion by** Todd Sorenson to change the Wilson Township meeting schedule (eliminate the September Board of Trustees meeting), **second by** Marilyn Beebe. Voice vote: all ayes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: No announcements

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to come before the Wilson Township Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Marilyn L. Beebe, Clerk