

Wilson Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting –August 13, 2014

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, and Trustee Jeff Argetsinger. Absent Trustee Louie Fall. Guests: Keith Ogden, Charlevoix County Road Commission, Ron Reinhardt, County Commissioner and Tim LaCroix.

READING OF MINUTES: **Moved** by Jeff Argetsinger with **second** by Todd Sorenson to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting, Discussion: None. **Voice vote: Ayes – 4, Nays 0, absent – 1. MOTION CARRIED.**

CITIZENS COMMENTS / OATHS OF OFFICE / PRESENTATIONS:

1. Tim LaCroix announced that he is initiating a lawsuit against Governor Snyder for allowing the use of water out of the Great Lakes for hydraulic fracking

PUBLIC HEARING/CORRESPONDENCE: None

TREASURER’S REPORT/CLERK WARRANTS:

Treasurer –July 2014 month-end balances:

General Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	281,806.61
General Checking (Charlevoix State Bank)	678.73
Sewer Escrow Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	11,232.98
Tax Account Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	31,403.02
Tax Checking (Charlevoix State Bank)	226.26
General Money Market (Huntington Bank)	102,458.17
Total Checking/Savings	427,805.77

CLERK –July/August warrants for payment: checks numbering 4427 to 4471 totaling \$31,830.68 (includes an E-Pay amount of \$1,842.40 to Charlevoix State Bank for Federal payroll liabilities and \$310.75 to the State of Michigan for Michigan payroll liabilities).

Moved by Beebe with **second** by Argetsinger to approve the treasurer’s report and clerk’s warrants for July/August bills totaling \$31,830.68. Discussion: None. **Roll call:** Reinhardt - aye, Sorenson – Aye, Argetsinger – aye, Beebe – Aye, Absent – Fall. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Supervisor: Todd Sorenson. Report submitted and discussed under Unfinished Business
2. Planning Commission: Jeff Argetsinger
 - Discussed grant possibilities for Fall Park Improvements. An estimate for dredging came in at \$100,000 - \$200,000. Scott is getting another bid. The trust fund requires a 25% match.
 - Discussed proposed Wilson Township Visitor Center. Scott is going to contact Cheri Leach to see if she can attend the September or October PC meeting to discuss the proposed project.
3. ZBA: Marilyn Beebe – no meeting.
4. MTA: Jeff Argetsinger – picnic at Wilson Township hall “Meet the Candidates”.
5. Cemetery: Jeff Argetsinger. Jeff received bids from Jeremiah Ecker for removal of overgrowth at Knup Cemetery for \$180 and removal of a pine tree, grind the stump and seed the area at Lewis Cemetery for \$525. **Moved** by Reinhardt, **second** by Argetsinger to approve the bids of \$180 and \$525 by Jeremiah Ecker (Aly’s Lawn care) for overgrowth and pine tree/stump removal. Discussion: none. **Roll call:** Argetsinger - aye, Sorenson – Aye, Reinhardt – aye, Beebe – Aye, Absent – Fall. **Motion carried.**

7. Park/hall: Louie Fall. Tabled discussion to the September meeting.
8. Roads: Todd Sorenson
 - Keith Ogden provided the Board with a 2014 Construction Status report. Wilson Township projects consist of applying Afton Stone to sections of Bergmann and Jaquay roads. The projects have been put out for bids.
 - Marshall Road - hasn't been graveled in over 20 years (or more). Todd asked Pat Harmon at the County Road Commission and Keith Ogden (at the meeting) what the county could do – if anything – to build the road up to driveway levels. Unfortunately, Keith didn't think the county could do much. The township doesn't have the funds to fix the road this year but will consider it next year.
 - East Deer Lake Road. The road is somewhat safer now but Todd asked Keith if the county could do something with the hill and the shoulders. Lumber trucks are causing the road to break down quicker than roads with normal traffic. Keith thought that there is something townships can do to restrict lumber trucks on roads. Todd will research this issue.
 - Ron Reinhardt, Charlevoix County Commissioner provided the original Charlevoix County road millage road improvement list. Discussed proposed plan by the county to loan the road fund enough money to complete more roads instead of doing them year by year. Ron reported that he would not vote for the proposal unless East Deer Lake was done next year. Ron feels that if all the roads on the list get done sooner than planned, a renewal of the millage wouldn't pass.
 - Ron also reported that the county is working on a new ATV ordinance and asked the Board to consider township roads that can be opened up to ATV use and ones that should be banned from the use.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Broadband: Air North Communication – again – no word on the progress or lack thereof!
2. Audit: In progress. Todd will contact the auditors for an update.
3. Park Playground equipment: Todd reported that the insurance company noted that if installed correctly and properly maintained, playground equipment at the park is acceptable. **Moved** by Jeff Argetsinger, **second** by Todd Sorenson to purchase playground equipment from Louie Fall for \$500.00. Discussion: none. **Roll call**: Reinhardt - aye, Sorenson – Aye, Argetsinger – aye, Beebe – Aye, Absent – Fall. **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. Election: The Primary Election was held August 5, 2014 at the hall. Several issues were reported: failed tabulator had to be replaced early morning and the transmission of the results weren't successful at Todd's house after the polls closed (phone line at hall was disconnected with installation of new system). The results were transmitted late night at a location in Charlevoix. Also discussed clean-up of the hall prior to the election. **Moved** by Todd Sorenson with **second** by Jeff Argetsinger to pay Marilyn for hall "spring cleaning". Discussion: Marilyn noted that time spent cleaning was donated - that the cleaning was done to make the hall presentable to the public. **Roll call**: Argetsinger - aye, Sorenson – Aye, Reinhardt – aye, Beebe – Abstained, Absent – Fall. **Motion carried.**
5. Jordan Valley EMS Authority: The JVEMSA is asking for an additional \$3000 to replace an engine on one of the ambulances and another \$2000 for hardware needs. **Moved** by Todd Sorenson and **second** by Jeff Argetsinger to approve funding JVEMSA \$3000 for an engine repair and \$2000 for hardware needs. Discussion: none. **Roll call**: Reinhardt - aye, Sorenson – Aye, Argetsinger – aye, Beebe – Aye, Absent – Fall. **MOTION CARRIED.**
6. American Waste: **Moved** by Jeff Argetsinger with **second** by Kerri Reinhardt to approve the proposal from America Waste for the fall clean-up at \$56.00 per compacted yard plus a fuel surcharge if the price of Diesel exceeds \$3.50 per gallon. Discussion: none. **Roll call**: Argetsinger - aye, Sorenson – Aye, Reinhardt – aye, Beebe – Aye, Absent – Fall. **Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administrative Policies and Procedures review: Tabled to the September meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to come before the Wilson Township Board of Trustees, **moved** by Kerri Reinhardt with **second** by Jeff Argetsinger to adjourn at 8:15 PM. **Voice vote: all ayes.**
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted

Marilyn L. Beebe, Clerk