

Wilson Township Board of Trustees  
All Boards Annual Meeting –April 8, 2015

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Todd Sorenson, Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- A. ROLL CALL:** Present: Supervisor Todd Sorenson, Treasurer Kerri Reinhardt, Clerk, Marilyn Beebe, Trustee Jeff Argetsinger, Trustee Louie Fall, Planner Scott McPherson, PC members: John Mathers, Ray Guzniczak and Mel Nowland (also representing the ZBA).
- B. READING OF MINUTES:** **Moved** by Argetsinger, **second** by Fall to approve as presented the minutes from the March 18, 2015 Board of Trustees meeting, Discussion: None. **Voice vote: Ayes - 5, Nays - 0. MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. TREASURER’S REPORT/CLERK WARRANTS:**  
**Treasurer – March 2015 month-end balances:**

General Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	<b>407,131.38</b>
General Checking (Charlevoix State Bank)	<b>912.67</b>
Sewer Escrow Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	<b>11,240.43</b>
Tax Account Money Market (Charlevoix State Bank)	<b>1,045.73</b>
Tax Checking (Charlevoix State Bank)	<b>101.83</b>
General Money Market (Huntington Bank)	<b>102,547.47</b>
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	<b>522,979.510</b>

**CLERK –**March/April warrants for payment: checks numbering 4675 - 4699 totaling \$43,392.92 (includes an E-Pay amount of \$1,828.94 to Charlevoix State Bank for Federal payroll liabilities and \$309.64 to the State of Michigan for Michigan payroll liabilities).

**Moved by** Fall, **second** by Argetsinger to approve the treasurer’s report and all requests for payment. Discussion: Treasurer Reinhardt noted that she had just received the delinquent property taxes from the county. Sorenson asked if the township has received any reimbursement from JVEMSA for legal services. Reinhardt stated that nothing has been received from JVEMSA. **Roll call: Ayes Sorenson, Fall, Reinhardt, Argetsinger, Beebe. Nays – none. MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. CITIZENS COMMENTS / OATHS OF OFFICE / PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Joint meeting with Planning Commission and ZBA.
  - a. Clare’s Store: Restoration is proceeding. Scott McPherson noted that a contractor has been in touch with him regarding the permitting process.
  - b. Channel dredging: Sorenson will be meeting with NDG to get recommendations for areas of the channel that can be improved with dredging and cost estimates. Walkway ideas were also discussed.
  - c. Parking lot paving: Sorenson is looking into several grants (Charlevoix County Parks, Polling Place Grant) to assist with paving of the parking lot at the park. He noted that he, Jeff, and Louie had met with the Charlevoix County Road Commission (CCRC) to discuss improvements to the park entrances. The county has recommended moving the north entrance and reconstructing the south entrance with the addition of ditches to assist with water drainage. The county estimated it will be a couple of months before they can complete the work. Sorenson noted that he will have NDG estimate the cost of engineering both the parking lot and the channel.
  - d. Playground equipment: Sorenson reported that he is waiting to hear back from the Health Dept. about concerns with treated wood in a playground set the township was

Planning to install at the park. Hopefully they will be able to provide a method to make the equipment safe.

- e. Proposition 1: Information regarding Proposition 1 that is on the May 5, 2015 Special Election ballot was provided and discussed.
- f. Healey Road: The CCRC is working up an estimate to improve Healy Road by removing pavement and applying Afton Stone.
- g. East Deer Lake Road: Discussed the decision of the road millage steering committee to improve Ellsworth Road over East Deer Lake Road. Sorenson reported that he spoke with Boyne City and East Jordan ambulance services about the road. Both services said that neither one will use East Deer Lake Road to transport patients. Sorenson suggested everyone talk about the issue to the public and to contact him if there are any other services that won't use the road.
- h. Report from Planner Scott McPherson:
  - i. The trail between Boyne City and Boyne Falls is moving forward. A grant was recently submitted. Phase I will involve Boyne Valley Township with Phase II connecting Boyne City with Boyne Falls.
  - ii. Storage Condos on M-75 South. Owners have not done necessary repairs / improvements. No permits have been or will be issued until required repairs have been completed.
  - iii. Fireworks Store: McPherson reported that he was contacted about using the building on the Crain property to sell fireworks.
  - iv. Annual meeting of township boards: The annual meeting of township boards will take place in February next year in order to allow budget input by the boards.

#### E. PUBLIC HEARING/CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Mowing Proposals for 2015: Received from Alys Lawncare bid of \$155 for park mowing, \$35 for cemetery mowing, \$125 for Spring/Fall cleanup and \$30/hr. for trimming. Opened for public comment at 7:45 PM. No comments. Closed to public comments at 7:46 PM. **Moved by** Argetsinger with **second** by Fall to approve the bid by Alys Lawncare for \$155 for park mowing, \$35 for cemetery mowing, \$125 for Spring/Fall cleanup and \$30/hr. for trimming, with differentiation of weed whacking vs. trimming. Discussion: Argetsinger noted that only Todd Cemetery will need spring cleanup. Fall said that the park would not need a cleanup this spring. **Roll call: Ayes Sorenson, Fall, Reinhardt, Argetsinger, Beebe. Nays – none. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Supervisor's Report (Todd Sorenson): written report presented and discussed throughout the meeting.
2. Planning Commission (Jeff Argetsinger): No meeting.
3. Zoning Board of Appeals (Marilyn Beebe): No meeting.
4. MTA (Jeff Argetsinger): Program on County Parks and Recreation millage / grants.
5. Cemetery (Jeff Argetsinger): Jeff reported that he will have a burial this spring. Nate Kenney has said he will open and close the graves for the township for \$450.00.
6. Township Park and Hall (Louie Fall):
  - a. Louie will continue to maintain the hall bathrooms
  - b. Hand dryers – Louie will talk to Norm Vogt about installation of hand dryers vs. towels.
7. Roads: Discussed previously.

## G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. JVEMSA: Sorenson reported that the authority was up and running April 1. The board is still negotiating the rental agreement. The township was asked to sign a Cross Corporate Guaranty (Guaranty of Payment and Performance) on behalf of the ambulance authority that will allow them to apply for a credit card. **Moved by** Argetsinger with **second by** Sorenson to approve signing the agreement. Discussion: Beebe noted that this agreement is creating a liability for the township. Sorenson stated that if the authority were to default, repayment to the township would come from what the township owes for ambulance services. Reinhardt asked if other entities are assisting the authority as much as Wilson Township is contributing. Sorenson stated that yes, all other townships are contributing. **Voice vote: Ayes - 5, Nays - 0. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Administrative Plan: Tabled.
3. Playground equipment: Discussed previously.
4. Channel: Discussed previously.
5. Clare's Store: Discussed previously.
6. Lowes Grant: on hold waiting direction from Health dept.

## H. NEW BUSINESS

1. American Waste: **Moved by** Argetsinger with **second by** Beebe to approve and authorize Sorenson signing the proposal from American Waste for 2015 fall cleanup at \$58.00 per compacted yard. **Roll call: Ayes Sorenson, Fall, Reinhardt, Argetsinger, Beebe. Nays – none. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Parking Lot: Discussed previously
3. County Recreation Grant: Discussed previously
4. Polling Place Grant: Discussed previously

## I. Announcements: None

- J. **Adjournment:** With no further items on the agenda, Supervisor Sorenson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marilyn Beebe