

**Homestead Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Homestead Township Hall
11508 Honor Highway
Honor, MI 49640
June 1, 2009 at 7:00P.M.**

A regular meeting of the Homestead Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chair, Cathy Demitroff.

Present: Cathy Demitroff, Shelley Rosa, Mary Geetings, Matt Miller and Carol Moore.

Also present: Bob Rosa, Frank Walterhouse, Dan Moore, Mark Wareham, Cindra Moore, Rod Moore, Pamm Laing, Sherry Taylor, Denis Rokicki, Peter Moore, Bill Hutchins, and Jeanne Moore

The entire audience participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Rosa to approve the agenda, with the addition of outside trash cans, under New business, and Foreclosure of Properties under Old Business. Support Moore. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Miller to accept the May 4th minutes with corrections to remove re- from the word adopt on page 4, and to remove August 2005, from page 4, all under Junk Ordinance as presented. Support Moore. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Miller, support Moore to accept the Treasurer's Reports as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT: Motion by Rosa, support Miller to accept the Clerk's Reports as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ZONING and SUPERVISOR'S REPORT- Motion by Rosa, support Miller to accept the Zoning Administrator's Report and the Supervisor's report as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund - Motion by Rosa, support Miller to pay the General Fund Bills. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Fire Millage - Motion by Miller, support Moore to pay the Fire Department Bills. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Park and Rec - Motion by Miller, support Moore to pay the Park and Rec bills. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Benzie County Food Partners - Thank you

Jeanne Moore - Interest in Concession Stand

Benzie County Equalization Report

Draft Recreation and Cultural Plan 2009, Benzie Count Parks and Rec Commission

Letter Kevin Taghon

PUBLIC IN-PUT

Mark Wareham - Rebutted on Kevin Taghon's letter regarding the conditions of the park. Was originally told the games were cancelled, then found Mr. Taghon dragging the field, was then told the games were on. The upper field needs some repairing, it should never have been dragged under the conditions it was in.

Jeanne Moore - I have cooked in several restaurants, and for as many as 200 people.

Rod Moore - Drawing for the ball park restrooms, are these bids out to the public? Bids received from other people should not be known to the public, the next person can easily under bid them.

Public In Put Closed -

PRESIDIUM ENERGY - Cancelled until July meeting.

WEB PAGE - Lewis Gear- Reviewed the cost, and what it would take to train someone from the township to update the web site. Training takes 2 to 6 hours, at \$75.00 per hour. Because updating the web page, is not something that is done everyday, it can become costly because you don't always remember how to make the changes.

PARK & REC RESTROOMS - Pamm Laing and Denis Rocki - Denis explained that the bids that were presented to the board were for the boards reference only. The board wanted some figures, so they could see what cost the township was looking at. Bids will go out to the public.

Pamm Laing - The drawings presented to the board were free of charge from Brian and Sarah Ross. They were reviewed by Steve Hogan from the building department. A quoted price and a discount price are for the boards reviewed. To complete the building, we are looking at and around \$30,000.00. We have a grant for 10,000.00, which is included in the savings of \$11,845.00. We are asking the board to committ to \$20,000 to complete the job.

Specs will be needed for the bids. 10 copies will be made available at no charge to the public. Pamm and Bob Rosa will be happy to be the spokes people. The funds from the grant and saving will be used first before the \$20,000 from the township.

NEW BUSINESS

ASSESSOR COMPUTER - Two bids were presented to the board for review: 1 from Accucomp for \$1,199.00 and 1 from Gear It Up for \$1,152.00. Accucomp offered a bigger hard drive. Motion by Moore to purchase a computer from Accucomp for the cost of \$1,199.00. Support Demitroff. Roll Call. Rosa - Abstain, Geetings, Miller, Moore and Demitroff - yes. Motion Carried.

CONCESSION STAND - Jeanne Moore has offered to pay \$230.00 dollars to run the concession stand. Motion by Rosa to approve the rent of \$230.00 from Jeanne Moore to operate a concession stand at the Park. Support Moore. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PEPSI MACHINE PARK - Machine not necessary now that the concession stand will be opened.

.E.R.T. CONTRACT- Motion by Rosa to approve the CERT Contract with the County of Benzie, and to grant the Supervisor permission to sign the contract. Support Miller. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

GARBAGE CAN - A bid was presented to purchase a garbage to replace the one and the pail currently outside the building for a cost of \$370.44 including shipping. It was suggested to have a garbage can from the park brought down, look into having it painted and buy a cover for it.

ORV ORDINANCE - A result of the survey was reviewed: 153 no, and 153 yes, 96 - some roads.

Talks about forming a committee with people for and against was discussed. Motion by Demitroff to approve the ORV ordinance following the County Maps for 1 year starting July 1. Support Miller. Ayes - Demitroff, Rosa, Moore and Miller. Nay - Geetings. Motion Carried.

ZONING ISSUE UPDATE - The Tornow complaint needs extensive research. Does the board want to research this or should Roger Williams? Suggested by board to have Roger research.

NETS FOR BATTING - 3 verbal bids were presented for a net. A verbal bid of \$2100.00 was suggested for a chain link fence, that would never have to be replaced. Motion by Rosa, support Miller to purchase a chain link fence for the approximate cost of \$2,100. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PARK REPORT - The field was damage from it being dragged by a resident. I am working to get it back into order. The mower is back in working order. With the park's permission I will remove some of the trash cans.

Because of the problems that have taken place this last week, Mary will draft a letter to the Board of Directors for the Men and Women League regarding the Park Maintenance Person responsibilities.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - 7 Runs for May

JOINT PLANNING - Public Hearing Inland Township will be June 9 at 7:00 p.m. regarding re-zoning involving Presidium Energy.

A letter has been sent regarding the junk complaint on Haze Rd. A ticket book will be order this week from Governmental Products.

FORECLOSURE PROPERTY - 2 pieces of property or in foreclosure, and the township has the opportunity to purchase them from the county. Motion by Rosa to decline and to have a letter drafted and sent to the county. Support Demitroff. All Ayes Motion Carried.

PUBLIC IN PUT - Lee Anton - Has the county ever sprayed for the worms? When you file a complaint regarding Junk, do you have to sign it, so your neighbors know who requested it?

Bob Rosa - On the ATV Ordinance, if you are going to go with the county, then why are you forming a committee? The letter from Kevin Taghon, should not have been read out loud. Why is the board reading those in public, especially when the person is not even present? You as a board do not have to read that in a public meeting.

Bill Hutchins - There are two spots in the driveway that needs to have the asphalt repaired if the board could look into that. Also could we get dormers over the doors going into the firebarn? When it's raining you get very wet.

Public in put closed:

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD - The Coho Festival would like to use the Township hall on Fathers Day for a pancake breakfast as a fund raiser for the festival. Motion by Rosa to allow the Coho Festival the use of the township hall on June 21, for a pancake breakfast. Support Miller. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CONTRACT - Seal Coating Cinder Road. - The board signed the contract from the Benzie County Road Commission to Seal Coat Cinder Road. Motion by r4osa to sign the contract with the Benzie Co Road Commisson to Seal Coat Cinder Road. Support Moore. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

SEAL COAT ZIMMERMAN RD - The County would like the board to approve the seal coating of 1.5 miles of Zimmerman Rd for the cost of 32,044.14 whereas the township is responsible for ½ of that cost.

Motion by Rosa to allocate \$19,000 or seal coat Zimmerman Rd. Support Demitroff. Roll Call. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN - Motion by Miller, support Moore to adjourn. Adjourned at 9:20

Respectfully submitted

Mary Geetings, Clerk

Cathy Demitroff, Supervisor