

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
Tyrone Rosten, Trustee

Marvin Ruspakka, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
Marline Worth, Trustee

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September 8, 2008
(All Meetings are Recorded)

Supervisor Ruspakka called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with no members absent:

Supervisor – Marvin Ruspakka
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Tyrone Rosten
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Jackie Koski, Joe Derocha, John Etelamaki, Michael Rankinen and Tom Prophet

M/S/C to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2008 regular board meeting. **(Marline/Tyrone)**.
With the following changes:

Marvin stated he would like to have the minutes a week before so he could make any correction. Oversight was spelled wrong. Should have been oversight Page 2, last paragraph. Marvin did not refuse the radio from Central Dispatch, but told them to give it to Barbara.

M/S/C to approve the agenda with no additions. **(Barbara/Tyrone)**.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lorraine questioned about the ordinances. Marvin informed Lorraine how the planning commission is combining all the new ordinances so there will be only one hearing on them. Lorraine stated there would also be a Historical Society meeting at 2pm on the 10th of September at the Humboldt Hall. Jennifer Mazzuchi stated she will be running for Circuit Judge and asked for us to support her. Marvin stated there is several rumors going around that he is jealous of someone's husband and the other rumor is that Marvin has it in for someone. He feels this borders on slander. Marvin also stated that he is being accused of taking it out on her children when he was a teacher. He asked for it to be stopped. He has had enough of this stuff.

M/S/C to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. **(Jill/Marline)**.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marvin attended the Marquette County Road Commission Meeting. He has the budget for the 2009 year. Gas prices are up; Asphalt prices are also very high. There is a 60/40 split now. Township would pay 60 % of the cost and the county would pay 40 % of the cost to repave a road.

Barbara attended the 911 meeting. 911 was having trouble with the Negaunee township tower, but has been repaired. November 22, 2008 there will be a show on Radios at the Holiday Inn. 911 is talking about moving into another building other than the State Police Post. Negaunee would be the central for the whole Upper Peninsula. New trainees are attending the meeting. Next meeting is

September 22. Marvin question what the user fee was going to be. Barbara stated that the board has not gotten that far.

The other meeting Barb went to was the Champion Humboldt Emergency Service Board. There were 66 units that competed and Champion Humboldt came in 5th. No call this month. There is a training session for the EMS on the 10 and the 18th. Champion Township painted the fire hall building. It cost \$2200 and our board did not approve it. Marvin felt that it was not going to hold up because it was painted with latex.

Barbara stated that her term and Cheryl on the Champion Humboldt Emergency Service Board would be up in November. Needs to be voted on no later then next meeting. At the fire hall two new doors need to be put on. A keyless lock is the way they would like to go so that it is easier to get in saving time. Vision is not any better with the new drive way. Have to make a new application. Marvin went to the firemen's meeting where they were talking about the driveway. Marvin called MDOT and talked to Andy who would like us to try as is for a while.

Jill had one meetings pertaining to the Heritage Trail. At the meeting they talked about the upcoming signs for the trail between Ishpeming and Negaunee. The trail has been paved. Talked also about the trail going from Humboldt to Republic. Republic is doing work on their own, to improve the Republic trail area. Jill mention it may be good for Humboldt township to look at this also. Jill and Michael went for a walk with the group after the meeting. Jill reported how nice the trail is and a lot of people are using it. Everyone needs to take a walk on it when they are in town.

M/S/C to approve payment of the bills (Tyrone/Marline)

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. **MTA** – Planning and Zoning Class at NMU. Sambo and Joe will be going to the meeting. Jill will call them and take care signing them up for the meeting.
2. **Michigan Planners Inc.** – Health care.
3. **Carnegie Library Minutes** – on file
4. **Soil and Erosion Division** – Harvala by Casey Lake is doing some work.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. EMS Board – Reported earlier

B. Planning Commission – June and July minutes are on file. Talking about putting a pavilion where the basketball courts are. We need to keep the basketball courts in same area. **M/S/C to table it for now and have the planning commission keep the basketball court in the same area(Barbara/Marline).** Jackie said we should contact CUPPAD to have them help to design the new improvements the planning commission would like done.

C. Elf Site – Nothing has been done.

D. Dam Wiring – Talk to Wisconsin Electric and they will come up with a estimate.

E. Labor Day doings –Great turnout. There was plenty of food with over 250 people there. Many thanks to: Amanda Lindholm, Debbie Brook, Judy Laitala, Carol Mackey, Missy Sevegney and Carole Neitzel.

F. Web site –Jill talked to Sam and he said he would have the time to work on the website. **M/S/C to have Sam and Jill Pesola work on the web site (Barbara/Tyron).** They will be paid \$9.00 per hour.

NEW BUSINESS: none

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jackie talked about the computers.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm

Submitted by: Jill Rankinen