

Jill Rankinen, Clerk  
Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer  
Marline Worth, Trustee

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**June 8, 2009**

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with one (1) member absent:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha  
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey  
Clerk - Absent (Jill Rankinen)  
Deputy Clerk – Jill Valero sitting in  
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski  
Trustee – Marline Worth

**ATTENDANCE:** Dan Harrington, Sanford Pesola, Richard Waisanen

**Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2009 regular board meeting, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.**

**Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the agenda, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

**Motion was made by Marlene Worth to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, second by Jackie Koski. Motion approved unanimously.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Barb Mackey reported that the 911 EMS Board meeting was cancelled.  
Barb Mackey reported on the Marquette county Township Association.  
Joe Derocha reported on the Road Commission meeting.  
Jackie Koski reported on the Heritage Trail Association (11d)

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Again Joe Derocha stated that all timecards should be correct, signed and presented punctually to be paid.

The Library Association sent a membership application to be completed and returned, the township will be billed \$299 for membership through the year 2010.

**Jackie Koski motioned to join the Library Association, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.**

**Bills Approved by Jackie Koski, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.**

**CORRESPONDENCE: On file.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **Fishing Derby** – Donations totaling \$1,308.13 have been received so far. The Mudmen donated 100 Personal Pan Pizzas from Pizza Hut, Jim Douglas has hotdogs, buns, ice cream, freezers, chips; Volwerths donated bratworst, Sambo will handle advertising through Gail at the Mining Journal. He talked to Earl Numinen and will place announcements on Sunny101. Joey will handle Channels 6 & 10
  
- b. **Planning Commission Report** – Sanford Pesola read a letter from Tierra at the Resource Management regarding soil and public land use. The Planning Commission will schedule a night for a work group to focus on the legal changes in the Master Plan (Joe Wassie, Tom Prophet, Sambo Pesola, Karl Numinen). It was recommended that they contact other Master Plan groups to gather more insight. The ordinances will be finalized in June and all ordinances will become a part of the Zoning Ordinance except the Cemetery Ordinance. A public hearing will need to be scheduled in July in order to adopt the zoning ordinances. Sanford Pesola reports that the antiskid strips for the bridge have arrived and the project will require himself one more person with a screw gun and a little spare time.
  
- c. **Helen Lake Garbage Shed Contract Bid** – One bid was received. FinnCraft Builders of Negaunee submitted a bid for \$4,800 for 2 sheds. **Motion to approve bid was made by Jackie Koski, second by Marlene. Approved unanimously.**
  
- d. **The Heritage Recreation Authority Support Funds** - Jackie Koski attended Heritage Trail Association meeting on May 27, 2009. Much use is made of the trail and Kurt is working on continuing the trail to Van Riper through Champion. Survey will be conducted regarding actual use of trail. Revise grant for \$15,000 with DNR, \$10,000 matching funds already obtained. In treasury is \$4,556.05.
  
- e. **Elf Site/Crime Lab update** – The ELF site will not be used as the Crime Lab. The state has declined interest in the site; we will need to submit alternative use plans and the federal government through the GSA will determine the future of the site. Motion to continue actions to obtain title of the ELF site was made by Jackie Koski, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.
  
- f. **Bids for propane contract/ sealed bids** - Three bids were received:  
Ferrill Gas \$1.399 gallon/ \$1.099 first fill  
Hot Flame (Semco) \$1.399 gallon  
U.P. Propane \$1.44 gallon, no tank fee

**Barbara Mackie made motion to accept bid by U.P. Propane; second by Jackie Koski. Motion approved unanimously.** Dan Harrington of U.P. Propane will contact current provider to coordinate swap.

- g. Fire Board adopt Budget** – Jackie Koski requests a letter of authority as representative of Humboldt Township so that she may receive all necessary information from the Board. She also states that monthly reports are arriving as promised, but believes that we should be notified of all nonessential purchases prior to spending.
- h. Ball Field Update/ Food and beverage stand** – Sanford Pesola reports that the bleachers, benches and dugouts have been replaced. Pictures of improvements should be sent to Risk Management at the end of the month. Ruth is interested in running the concession stand. **After discussion of food licensing motion was made by Jackie Koski to allow Ruth to operate the stand separate from the township; second by Barb Mackie. Approved unanimously.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Prisoner Work Force** – The crew will work on the ball diamond; spread top soil at the dam and cemetery; and help with the roofs on the dugouts. If time allows they can cut brush at fish Lake
- b. Private Road issue at Granit Lake** – Humboldt Township will not pay for attorney fees regarding this issue. We will offer use of the hall for their meetings.
- c. Park upgrades** – Recommended that we purchase steel tables to replace old picnic tables. **Motion to purchase tables was made by Barb Mackey, second by Marlene Worth. Approved unanimously.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** none

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

Submitted by: Jill Valero