Regular Meeting Monday, February 9, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Hillman Township Board was called to order by Chair Boldrey at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present were Boldrey, P. Achatz, Vanderveer, Manning, M. Achatz and guests Melanie Libby, Daryl Peterson, Deputy Nick Breed and Paul Wolne.

Motion by Vanderveer to adopt the agenda for the meeting, second by Manning, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Manning to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, second by Vanderveer, all in favor, motion carried.

Guest Comments -

Melanie Libby, representing the YES Committee reported on the upcoming bond issues on the February 24th election. She showed some conceptual drawings and answered questions. Deputy Breed reported that it has been quiet in the area lately.

Committee Reports:

Community Center – Three events are scheduled for the month of February and the lights have been installed in the multi-purpose room. The budget update was reviewed showing revenues of \$77,041.01 and expenditures of \$77,817.89. Motion by Boldrey to subtract \$1,000.00 from Payroll Taxes for a new total of \$4,000.00 and add \$1,000.0 to Maintenance/Operations for a new total of \$12,500.00, second by Manning, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by M. Achatz to pay the bills as presented and as listed, second by Manning, all in favor, motion carried: Alpena Power Company 1,128.97, Arctic Glacier 100.08, Arnold Sales 372.19, Bailor's Equipment Repair 316.70, Chelsea Sikora 210.00, Eric Vanderveer 315.00, Elizabeth Barnes 175.00, Frontier 186.50, Gordon Food Service 539.11, Jewell's Disposal Service 71.25, Pam Kotzian 477.00, Pepsi-Cola 647.20, Sheri Vanderveer 350.00, Sharon Vanderveer 35.00, Thompson Linen Service 31.88, Village of Hillman 48.39, Weiland Excavating 570.00, Hillman Township 601.06, State of Michigan 100.31, John Hancock Life Ins. 2,217.66, Chelsea Sikora 79.94, Sheila LaFleche 541.84, Frontier 42.31, PIE & G 672.42, Chelsea Sikora 94.49, Sheila LaFleche 541.83

Discussion was held on some problems at roller skating. When Sheila returns from vacation the problems will be handled. There has been a problem with ice build-up between the apron at the front door and the parking lot. Also the side walk heater has been popping the breakers. Vanderveer will speak with Sheila regarding these issues.

Fire Board – Fire Department reported 3 runs and 6 nuisance calls. Advertisement has been made for a secretary and applications have been received.

Cemetery – P. Achatz reported on the recent Cemetery Commission meeting. The sexton will be purchasing a couple new boards for shoring up graves and has checked into renting a front end loader to do some road maintenance. Lawn Care bids will be advertised in March. The Commission worked on a budget for 2015/2016 and requested \$8,000 from each Township.

Treasurer's Report – Vanderveer presented the financial report, showing bank account balances. Winter tax collection is at 58.54% and summer tax collection is at 92.15%.

Clerk's Report – P. Achatz reported that 155 absentee ballots have been issued to date and 108 ballots have been returned. The budget update for April 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015 was presented, showing revenues of \$277,244.79 and expenditures of 375,944.43.

Motion by Boldrey to pay the bills as presented and as listed, second by Vanderveer, al in favor, motion carried: Pamela Achatz 678.92, Garry Boldrey, Jr. 423.63, Sharon Vanderveer 987.40, Pamela Achatz 79.64, Judy Cordes 264.30, Karen Funk 47.24, Janet McMurray 32.32, Eleanore Smith 32.32, Sharon Vanderveer 133.63, Michigan Department of Treasury 220.57, Voya Retirement 100.00, Alpena Plaza Pool 600.00, Alpena Power Company 240.11, Frontier 151.47, John Hancock Life Ins. 37.50, Montmorency County Equalization 5,146.59, Village of Hillman 47.50, John Hancock Life Ins. 5,399.96, Hillman Community Schools 1,000.00, Hillman Community Center 853.00, Charles Manning 32.32, Garry Boldrey, Jr. 1,464.86, Pitney Bowes 39.00, Chauncey's 32.78, Karen Rea 130.50, Richard Stawecki 130.50, Shanna Firman, Pam Achatz 155.00

Supervisor's Report – Motion by Manning to adopt the April 2015 Social Host Awareness Month Proclamation, second by M. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried. Boldrey acknowledged a letter from the Montmorency County Commission on Aging requesting assistance with a food program later this year. Boldrey also reported that the taxable value in Hillman Township has dropped.

Boldrey presented proposed budgets for the Community Center and the Township. Discussion was held and a couple of adjustments were made. Discussion was held on giving the Zoning Administrator a 5% raise. Motion by Manning to give a 4% raise to all elected officials in Hillman Township, the motion was then amended to read 3% and, following a lengthy discussion, died for lack of a second.

Motion by M. Achatz to adopt Resolution #2015 -01, establishing the salary for Supervisor/Assessor at \$32,136.00 (Supervisor \$7,416.00 - Assessor \$24,720.00), second by Manning, roll call vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Boldrey to adopt Resolution #2015 -02, establishing the Clerks salary at \$12,050.00, second by Manning, roll call vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by P. Achatz to adopt Resolution #2015 – 03, establishing the Treasurers salary at \$11,691.00 plus \$3,000.00 for summer tax collection, second by M. Achatz, roll call vote taken, all in favor, motion carried

Motion by Boldrey to adopt Resolution #2015-04. establishing the salary for Trustees at \$2,781.00, second by Vanderveer, roll call vote taken, all in favor, motion carried.

Peterson again asked that the Board continue plans to extend the walk way from the High School into town.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.