

Regular Meeting – Monday, March 13, 2017 at the Hillman Community Center

The regular monthly meeting of the Hillman Township Board was called to order by Chair Manning 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present were Manning, P. Achatz, Vanderveer, Burr, M. Achatz and guests as listed on the sign in sheet.

Visitor Comments –

Deputy McClelland reported he stopped by the Community Center during roller skating.

Daryl Peterson approached the Board regarding the Radio Station's use of the former Library building. He gave a brief history of the Township's acquisition of the building. Charlie Arbour and Dave Post made a request for a 5 year lease of the building as the building is in need of a new furnace and the Radio Station Board would like to upgrade the internet service. Tom Edison expressed his appreciation to the Board for the use of the building and explained that the radio station is all about our Hillman community. Sue Floer gave a brief overview of the Radio's programming. Manning stated that it is illegal for the Township Board to give property away. To sign the building over to the Radio Station the Township would have to sell the building at fair market value. Following a lengthy discussion between the Township Board members and the visitors a motion was presented by Manning to offer a 4 year lease to the Radio Station Board with a \$6,000.00 commitment for furnace and internet upgrades for \$1.00 per year or a 2 year lease at \$1.00 per year without the upgrades, second by Vanderveer. The vote was taken with 4 ayes and 1 nay.

William Houston presented a report on a recent meeting held with the Thunder Bay River Water Trail. Clean up has been done on several sections of the river and more work has been scheduled. Motion by Manning to adopt the Thunder Bay River Water Trail Resolution as written, second by P. Achatz, roll call vote taken with yes votes from Burr, Vanderveer, M. Achatz, P. Achatz & Manning, all In favor, motion carried.

Charlie Arbour, representing the Montmorency County Road Commission stated that the Commission has received 3 new trucks and they are now in service. The employees have also been doing some cold patching of pot holes.

Motion by Burr to adopt the agenda for the meeting, second by M. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to adopt the consent agenda, second by Manning, all in favor, motion carried

Approval of the previous month's minutes

Community Center Budget showing revenues of \$69,082.21 and expenditures of \$69,079.68

Bills for Community Center: Hillman Township 569.72, Michigan Department of Treasury 97.43, Aaron Bartow 35.00, Arnold Sales 462.93, Donna Reynolds 35.00, Eric Vanderveer 245.00, Elizabeth Bartow 105.00, Jewell's Disposal Service 28.50, Pam Kotzian 245.00, RaeAnn Vanderveer 140.00, Sheri Vanderveer 210.00, Thompson Linen Service 34.50, Village of Hillman 43.08 and Weiland Excavating 412.50.

Township Budget showing revenues of \$288,262.80 and expenditures of \$281,331.91

Michael Achatz 585.63, Pamela Achatz 705.54, John Burr 118.43, Charles Manning 392.01, Sharon Vanderveer 1,000.53, Jody Vanderveer 74.49, Judy Cordes 285.83, Michigan Dept of Treasury 227.50, VOYA Retirement 100.00, Frontier 162.70, Greenway Fuels 300.00, Montmorency Press 21.75, Pitney Bowes 61.19 and Village of Hillman 14.50.

Committee Reports –

Community Center - LaFleche's report showed 2 events in March and 2 events in April. She also presented bids from two companies for the floors; Burr will follow up with the bids. Motion by Burr to pay the additional bills, second by M. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried: Alpena News Publishing 235.00, Aqua Pure Technology 51.25, Gordon Food Service 378.31, John Hancock Life Ins. 1,530.79, PIE & G 411.84, Sheila LaFleche 575.13, Hillman Community Center 22.28, Hillman Township 2,510.00, Connie Chenoweth 165.42, Eve LaFleche 31.36, Shannon Cadieux 76.32, Hardies Electric 2,500.00, Frontier 67.76, Alpena Power Company 714.04, Connie Chenoweth 255.35, Shannon Cadieux 111.54 and Sheila LaFleche 558.93. In a budget amendment a motion was presented by M. Achatz to subtract \$2,600.00 from Capital Improvements for a new total of \$27,400.00 and add \$2,600.00 to Roller Skate Expense for a new total of \$12,600.00, second by Manning, all in favor, motion carried.

Fire Board – Members reported on the recent meeting. The old ambulance is now being stored at Patchwood Plaza and is being used as a back up.

Planning & Zoning – Manning reported that Randy Elowsky has resigned as Zoning Administrator. Judy Cordes has agreed to stay on for a while. Vanderveer and P. Achatz will put an ad in the Montmorency Tribune advertising the position. Cordes has issued 1 zoning permit and reported the Planning Commission will meet on March 20.

Park Commission – Burr has been checking into the septic problem and pricing on new pumps.

Treasurer's Report – Vanderveer presented a financial report for the Township. Summer tax collection finished at 89.31% and winter tax collection finished at 91.26%.

Clerk's Report – P. Achatz reported she has attended 1 demo of new election equipment and 2 more meetings are scheduled. Motion by Burr to pay the additional bills, second by Vanderveer, all in favor, motion carried: Alpena Plaza Pool 848.00, Hillman Community Schools 1,000.00, John Hancock 11,370.31, Pitney Bowes 39.00, Hillman Community Center 853.00, Montmorency County Equalization 1,108.54, Charles Manning 89.65, Sharon Vanderveer 64.32, Garry Boldrey, Jr. 636.98, Garry Boldrey, Jr. 1,519.33, Randel Elowsky 101.58, Donald Lauderbaugh 170.84, Jerry Miller 170.84, Alpena Power Company 208.65, Hillman Community Center 2,500.00, Hillman Community Center 2,000.00, Shannon Cadieux 200.00 Motion by M. Achatz to make the following budget adjustments: subtract \$500.00 from Park Commission for a new total of \$19,500.00 and add \$100.00 to Trustee Administration for a new total of \$1,100.00, \$250.00 to Township Board Expense for a new total of \$3,450.00, \$75.00 to Supervisor Administration for a new total of \$775.00 and \$75.00 to MESC for a new total of \$1,175.00, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Supervisor's Report – Discussion was held on the Assessor's contract. Manning contacted our attorney, Tim Gulden to review the contract. Following discussion a motion was made by Manning to enter into a contract with Garry Boldrey, Jr to serve as Hillman Township's Assessor for an annual salary of \$32,000.00 for the period of December 1, 2016 through July 31, 2018, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Burr to adopt the budget for Hillman Township for 2017 – 2018 at \$464,440.00 and the budget for the Community Center for 2017 – 2018 at \$132,810.58, second by Vanderveer, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to name CFCU, Chemical Bank, PNC and First Federal Savings and Loan as the Townships depositories, second by M. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by M. Achatz to hold the regular monthly meetings of the Township Board on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Hillman Community Center, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to set the mileage reimbursement at 50 cents per miles, second by P. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to set the cost of copies at 25 cents per copy, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to set the meeting per diem at \$40.00 per meeting, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by M. Achatz to set meal reimbursement at \$15.00 per meal (\$40.00 per day at convention), second by Vanderveer, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to set Board of Review pay at \$25.00 for ½ day and \$75.00 for full day, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by P. Achatz to set Election Inspector pay at \$10.00 per hour for chairperson, \$9.00 per hour for election inspectors and \$40.00 for election school, second by Vanderveer, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vanderveer to name John Hancock as the Township's Pension Plan Company, second by Burr, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by M. Achatz to name Chuck Manning the Freedom of Information Coordinator, second by Vanderveer, all in favor, motion carried.

Manning appointed Judy Cordes, Steve Kazyaka and Roger Funk to another 3 year term of the Planning Commission.

Manning appointed Colleen Thompson to another 3 year term of the Zoning Board of Appeals alternate.

Manning appointed Randy Elowsky, Jerry Miller and Don Lauderbaugh to another 2 year term as members of the Board of Review.

Manning also appointed Darrell Bartow and Chuck Schaudt to another 2 year term on the Park Commission.

Motion by Manning to set the rate of pay for lawn care at \$10.00 per hour, second by P. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Manning to set the rate of pay for the Park Activities Coordinator at \$10.00 per hour, second by M. Achatz, all in favor, motion carried.

Appointees to the Fire Board include M. Achatz, Manning, Burr and Vanderveer as alternate.

Appointees to the Cemetery Commission are P. Achatz, Jan McMurray and Eleanore Smith, MTA representative is Sharon Vanderveer and PIE & G Liaison member is Pam Achatz.

Motion by P. Achatz to authorize a 3% raise to Hillman Community Center Manager Sheila LaFleche and the maintenance staff, second by Manning, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Achatz, Clerk