

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Thursday, July 11, 2013 at 7:30 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall. Board members present were Dennis R. Bjorkquist, John M Dontz, Connie L Smith, and Joy Hutchinson. Also present were Zoning Administrator Guy E Finout III, Assistant Fire Chief Chuck Barron, County Commissioner Karl Waitner, Keith Brown of PEG, Jim Henderson, Mr & Mrs Walter, Shelley Green, Jim Edmondson, Dan Lijewski, Sally Reckow, Carol Padden, James Barber, Heather Barber, Isaac Barber, Jeff Paterson, Karen Paterson, and Meg LeDuc.

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Joy Hutchinson with the pledge to the United States flag.

The minutes of the June 13, 2013 Manistee Township Board meeting were provided. It was moved by Dontz, seconded by Bjorkquist to approve the minutes as provided. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer Smith gave the financial report for the month of June 2013. The receipts were \$ 35,774.49, expenditures were \$ 116,875.40 leaving a balance of \$ 188,366.69 in the General Fund as of June 30, 2013. It was moved by Bjorkquist seconded by Dontz to accept the Treasurers report as presented. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence was received from various sources and given to each board member to read and initial.

Commissioner Karl Waitner spoke regarding the Bar Lake Improvement Board. The request for a loan of \$20,000 is changed to \$15,000 because of a hold off on the watershed issue. They are seeking the loan only from us because it only affects the owners around the lake. They are going to have an open house on August 23 for the affected persons, the riparian and deeded access owners. It was decided to seek legal council before acting on the issue. They hope to have a tax assessment on the 2013 taxes.

Guy E Finout III, Zoning Administrator stated he had 2 receipts in June one for a temporary building and one for the fireworks stand. He had a meeting with Meijer and the utility providers to make sure the time frame can be met. An electrical pole needs to be moved, do we want to just utilize Meijer lighting or move? Finout will talk with the owners of the River Haven Trailer Park and get some information from them.

Chuck Barron assistant fire chief gave the report on the fire department. In June they had 8 fire calls, 17 medical runs and 6 meetings. A total of 269 man hours were needed. The Contractor needs to know what to do on the office at the fire hall, replace the 2 walls and have a suspended ceiling no storage above? He will provide an estimate and we will have a special meeting to discuss the issue. He will need an answer in a week to keep the schedule. They had an outing at the Casino with Rolling Thunder and Filer and Eastlake participating also. Grant requests have been turned in for the November round of applications.

Liquor Inspector Bjorkquist stated there have been no significant changes to any liquor licenses during the past month.

The current bills in the amount of \$158,707.75 for the month of July were presented.

It was moved by Bjorkquist, seconded by Dontz to pay the bills as they are received for the month of June. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

The **Manistee County Chapter of the Michigan Townships Association** will meet at the Dickson Township Hall, on July 24, 2013, at 7:00 P.M.

The next regular monthly meeting of the **Manistee Township Zoning Appeals Board** will be held on **Tuesday, August 8, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.** at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street, if there is a scheduled meeting.

The next regular monthly meeting of the **Manistee Township Planning Commission** will be held on **Thursday, August 1, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.** at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street.

The next regular monthly meeting of the **Manistee Township Board** will be held on the second **Thursday, August 8, 2013, at 7:30 P.M.** at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street.

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved by Bjorkquist seconded by Dontz to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Hutchinson
Manistee Township Clerk