

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Thursday, at 7:30 P.M. October 10, 2013, at the Manistee Township Hall. Board members present were John Dennis R. Bjorkquist, John M Dontz, Connie L Jankwietz, and Joy Hutchinson. Also present were Zoning Administrator Guy E Finout III, Karl Waitner, Dan Revolt, Clara Kraus Saari, Fire Chief Chuck Barron II, Duane Anderson, Keith Brown of PEG, Charlie Ganss.

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

The minutes of the September 12, 2013 regular Manistee Township Board meeting were provided. It was moved by Dontz, seconded by Jankwietz to approve the minutes as provided. All voting in favor. Motion carried. The minutes of the special meeting held

On September 25, 2013 were also provided on a motion by Jankwietz seconded by Bjorkquist they were also approved. All voting in favor motion carried.

Treasurer Smith gave the financial report for the month of September. The receipts were \$ 45,230.28 expenditures were \$ 53,281.85 leaving a balance of \$ 131,630.00 in the General Fund as of September 30, 2013. It was moved by Dontz seconded by Hutchinson to accept the Treasurers report as presented. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

There were questions about the website and it is planned to update in the near future.

Commissioner Karl Waitner spoke briefly and the county budget is now ratified.

Guy E Finout III, Zoning Administrator stated he had 3 receipts for the month of September.

The Manistee Township Fire Department held four training sessions, and responded to 22 fire/medical runs during the month of September. New truck pricing, looking at a demo unit. The inside of the new building is overwhelming. They are looking into some new uniforms. Chief Barron the hospital has a used rescue rig. They would be willing to sell for approximately \$2,000.00. It is strictly a medical vehicle. Commissioner Waitner is going to the Board of Commissioners to check on the price. On a motion by Bjorkquist seconded by Dontz we would agree to purchase the vehicle up to \$2000.00. All voting in favor the motion was carried. The dedication of the new fire will be at 1:30 on Saturday October 12, 2013.

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

The Little River Revenue Sharing Board will meet on Monday, October 14, 2013, at 5:00 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall for verbal presentations.

Bar Lake Improvement Board will meeting on October 18, 2013 for a report on the study of the lake. The budget from the County Commissioners did not cover the entire expense. They need another \$2500.00 to cover the bill. The next step would be a vote on where to go from here. Do nothing or treat the lake. It will be less expensive to treat than to test. On a motion by Dontz seconded by Bjorkquist the township will loan the Bar Lake Improvement Association the \$2,500.00 to cover the cost. Motion carried all voting in favor.

Bjorkquist reported that the No Wake signs are ordered for the river.

It was agreed to place an ad for snow plowing bids and also for leveling the parking lot at the new fire hall.

In preparing for the dedication of the new fire barn it was noticed that some of the tables at the hall are in bad shape. On a motion by Dontz seconded by Jankwietz that we purchase 6 round tables to see how they would work. All voting in favor the motion is carried.

Bjorkquist thanked Jankwietz for her work at the M55 US31 intersection. She said she Didn't do much it was the crew, she was then thanked for being a great facilitator. Dontz thanked Dan Revolt for his work on the grounds at the hall. Everything is very neat and very green.

It was agreed that a thank you letter would be sent to Oak Grove for their help in renting a building for the trucks during the construction of the fire barn.

The current bills in the amount of \$110,960.83 for the month of October were presented.

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

The **Manistee County Chapter of the Michigan Townships Association** will meet at the Onekama Township Hall, on October 23, 2013, at 7:00 P.M. at Maple Grove Township.

The next regular monthly meeting of the **Manistee Township Zoning Appeals Board** will be held on **Tuesday, Nov. 5, 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, November 6, 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 **Wednesday, November 6, 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 Dontz seconded by Hutchinson to adjourn the meeting at 8:22P.M. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Hutchinson
Manistee Township Clerk