

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at 7:30 P.M., at the Manistee Township Hall. Board members present were John W. Anderson, Dennis R. Bjorkquist, John M Dontz, Connie L Smith, and M. Rebecca Dinsen. Also, present were Zoning Administrator Guy E Finout III, Charles Gregg, Clara Kraus Saari, Fire Chief John Dunlap, Jim and Bob Schudlich.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor John W. Anderson with the pledge to the United States flag.

The minutes of the June 1, 2009 Manistee Township Board meeting were provided. It was moved by Bjorkquist, seconded by Dontz to approve the minutes as provided. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer Smith gave the Financial report for the month of June. It was moved by Dontz seconded by Dinsen to accept the Treasurers report as presented. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

The Manistee Township Planning Commission meeting will be July 2, 2009. The Manistee Township Zoning Appeals Board will not meet in the month of July.

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

Trustee John Dontz stated he is disappointed the LRBOI tribe does not have anyone at our township board meetings. He would like the invitation to attend our board meetings extended to them again. A letter will be sent to the LRBOI.

Guy E Finout III, Zoning Administrator stated the Manistee Township Zoning Ordinance is 75% complete, with the areas of subdivisions, PUD's, and condos left to finish, with Attorney Richard Wilson. There were eight receipts issued in the month of June, including four accessory buildings, one land division, one addition, and one for the fireworks.

Fire Chief John Dunlap stated the Manistee Township Fire Department held five training sessions during the month of June, including a session on propane fire suppression, and a tour fo the Medical Care Facility. The ongoing false alarm unit at the Medical Care Facility has been moved away from a light, and seems to have eliminated the problem of false alarms.

In a related issue Fire Chief John Dunlap stated Manistee Township Fire Department has been approached by Abonmarche to apply for a Homeland Security Grant for the construction of a new fire hall, or the renovation of the old fire hall. It was moved by Dontz, seconded by Bjorkquist to apply for a 100% grant for the construction of a new fire hall, with the specifications required by the department. The grant will be matched with the existence of owning the land, and

having water and septic on the site. Abonmarche will facilitate the application at no charge to the township, if the grant is not received. Dontz, Dinsen, Smith, Bjorkquist, and Anderson voting in favor of the grant application. Motion carried. Dunlap feels he can have a new fire department building constructed for \$350,000.00 to \$400,000.00. The grant application deadline is July 11, 2009.

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

The Little River Revenue Sharing Board will meet on Tuesday, July 7, 2009, at 5:00 P.M. at the Manistee County Board of Commissioners room.

The Oaks Prison Liaison Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, July 9, 2009.

The Bridge Street Boat Launch project is still being held at the state level. The construction was to begin in July of 2009, however we have had no confirmation on that construction date.

Bjorkquist stated heavy equipment was moved into Rush Creek aka Blood/ Coffee Creek on July 1, 2009, and the culvert has been taken out, and reconstruction of the private road will begin.

Anderson and Bjorkquist stated the replacement of the seal coating on Pine Creek Road will be done the week of July 15, 2009, as confirmed by the Manistee County Road Commission manager Jerry Peterson.

The Manistee Township Fire Department nominated and elected Paul Revolt as Assistant Chief, Dan Revolt as Captain, Jack Dinsen as Treasurer, and Chuck Barrons as Secretary. It was moved by Dontz, seconded by Bjorkquist to approve the election of officers of the Manistee Township Fire Department. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Anderson stated the Manistee Township Board of Review will meet on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at 6:00 P.M., at the Manistee Township Hall for the correction of Errors and Omissions on the assessing records.

The Michigan Townships Association Legislative Conference will meet on August 12 through August 14. Board members are encouraged to attend. To facilitate board members attending the legislative meeting, it was moved by Bjorkquist, and seconded by Dontz to change the August Manistee Township Board meeting to the second Tuesday, August 11, 2009 at 7:30 P.M., at the Manistee Township Hall. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

The current bills for the month of July were presented. It was moved by Dontz, seconded by Smith to pay the bills as they are received for the month of July. All

voting in favor. Motion carried.

The Manistee County Chapter of the Michigan Townships Association will meet at the Manistee County Road Commission building, on July 22, 2009, at 7:00 P.M.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Zoning Appeals Board will be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street, if there is a scheduled meeting.

The next regular monthly meetings of the Manistee Township Planning Commission will be held on Thursday, July 2, 2009 and Thursday, August 6, 2009 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 Tuesday, August 11, 2009, 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 Dinsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 P.M. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Rebecca Dinsen, CMC
Manistee Township Clerk