

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Tuesday, August 11, 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, Fire Chief John Dunlap, and County Commissioner Ed Haik.

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

The minutes of the July 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 July. It was moved by Dontz seconded by Dinsen to accept the Treasurers report as presented. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

The approved minutes of the July 2, 2009 Manistee Township Planning Commission meeting were presented to each board member, accepted, and placed on file.

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

Kott Road residents Ray & Dawn Stefanski had called and written in regard to the need of a garbage container and bike rack at the Bar Lake outlet property. After discussion it was moved by Dinsen seconded by Bjorkquist to authorize purchase and placement of a bike rack at the Bar Lake Outlet, providing the costs do not exceed \$1000.00. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

County Commissioner Ed Haik explained the county had passed Public Act 69, allowing townships to levy from \$10.00 to \$20.00 per improved parcel to finance a county wide recycling system. Dinsen noted the Equalization Department lists Manistee Township as having 1421 improved parcels. At a levy of \$12.00 per parcel, that would equal \$17,052.00 per year. Presently Manistee Township pays approximately \$4,000.00 per year for recycling in Manistee Township. The county Equalization Department has had the director Peggy Falk, and asst Jenny Mark retire. Kendra Rhody has been appointed Equalization Director with the condition of her credentials being recognized by the state of Michigan. There is a move underfoot by the City of Manistee to deputize the tribal police officers to respond within the City of Manistee. Jerry Ware has retired from the Manistee County Road Commission board. Brook Schaefer, Carl Krebs, Paul Adamski, and Robert Blackmore have filed for that position, with the County Commissioners making their selection on August 20, 2009.

Guy E Finout III, Zoning Administrator stated the Zoning office has been quiet with six permits issued in July. Douglas Valley approached the Planning Commission with their Phase Two plan of bringing in chickens, goats, beef, pork and constructing a cheese house. There are existing buildings for the livestock, and when the cheese house is ready for construction they will bring in their plans. Finout has met with Attorney Wilson three times in July, and the zoning ordinance will be ready to present to Planning Commission members next week. The time line proposed would be review of the ordinance at the September 3, 2009 Planning Commission meeting, with it forwarded to the County Planning office for their 30 day comment period. The township board should receive it for their consideration by their October 8, 2009 board meeting. It is statutory for the County Planning to review the ordinance.

Fire Chief John Dunlap stated the Manistee Township Fire Department held four training sessions, and responded to eight fire/medical runs during the month of July. There were 126 man hours, and 60 Chief hours during the month of July. The new fire truck is going to the paint shop tomorrow. It should be ready for delivery on September 10, 2009.

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

The Oaks Prison Liaison board met in July with critical incidents remaining level at seven in April, five in May, and eight in June. Jason Mucha was named non custodial employee of the year for the Oaks. The next meeting of the board will be in October.

The Little River Revenue Sharing Board will meet for an informational meeting, with a tentative date of late September, 2009. The next grant cycle will be with grants due by September 11, 2009. The next regular scheduled meeting of the Little River Revenue Sharing Board will be October 12, 2009, for verbal presentation of grants, at 5:00 P.M. at the Manistee County Road Commission building. The 2% to be dispersed is considerably less than in past years, at \$224,000.00.

Supervisor Anderson has tried to contact MCRC Manager Jerry Peterson on why the reapplication of seal coating is only partially completed on Pine Creek Road. County Commissioner Ed Haik said the company who had the defective product two years ago during the seal coating process agreed to reapply only the sections of road with the defective product. Haik suggested calling MCRC Chairperson Bill Eckhart, if you cannot get a response from Manager Peterson.

The township has needed clerical help for all the offices. It was moved by Bjorkquist seconded by Connie Smith to authorize Dinsen and Smith to advertize, interview and recommend a general assistant to the township. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

It was moved by Bjorkquist seconded by Dontz to authorize David Wilson CPA as the township auditor for this fiscal year. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

The current bills for the month of August were presented. It was moved by Dontz, seconded by Smith to pay the bills as they are received for the month of August . 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 Wednesday August 26, 2009, at 7:00 P.M.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Zoning Appeals Board will be held on Tuesday, September 1, 2009 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, September 3 , 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 first Wednesday, September 2, 2009, at 7:30 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street.

Bjorkquist expressed concern over the windows in the Bridge Street building. The windows are in bad condition with the wood deteriorating. No action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the board, it was moved by Dontz seconded by Dinsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Rebecca Dinsen, CMC  
Manistee Township Clerk

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Manistee Township  
Synopsis of Regular Meeting  
August 11, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

Board members present Smith, Dontz, Dinsen, Bjorkquist, and Anderson.  
The following business was transacted.

1. Voted to approve the minutes of July 1, 2009 Regular Manistee Township Board meeting.
2. Voted to accept the Treasurers report as presented.
3. Received reports on Planning Commission, Zoning, Liquor Inspections, Fire Department, Revenue Sharing Board, Oaks Prison, County Commissioner.
4. Voted to purchase a bike rack for the Bar Lake outlet parcel.
5. Voted to advertize and interview for clerical help.
6. Voted to appoint David Wilson, CPA auditor for this fiscal year.
7. Discussed without action zoning, roads, grants, seal coating, and internal projects.
8. Approved payment of bills for the month of August.
9. The next regular meeting of the Manistee Township Board will be Wednesday, September 2, 2009, at 7:30 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street, Manistee.
10. A full and complete copy of the proposed minutes is posted at the Manistee Township Hall.
11. All minutes are proposed and subject to approval at the next regular township board meeting.

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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. The receipts were \$14,061.77, expenditures were \$21,533.25, leaving a balance of \$451,238.18 in the General Fund as of July 1, 2009. 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.

Check #	Date	Payee	Amount
17939	7/1/09	Margaret R. Dinsen	977.53
17940	7/1/09	John W. Anderson	936.82
17941	7/1/09	Connie L. Smith	1,002.02
17942	7/1/09	Debbie S. Solis	85.69
17943	7/1/09	Dennis R. Bjorkquist	285.75
17944	7/1/09	John M. Dontz	257.06
17945	7/1/09	Guy E. Finout III	402.15
17946	7/1/09	Charles Gregg	583.44
17947	7/1/09	Guy Finout III	150.00
17948	7/1/09	Waste Reduction Systems	6,449.18
17949	7/1/09	Public Safety Center, Inc	129.67
17950	7/1/09	McLeod's Sales & Service	349.36
17951	7/1/09	Allied Waste Services	261.30
17952	7/1/09	C & W Portable Toilets	80.00
17953	7/1/09	Fuelman of Michigan	705.70
17954	7/6/09	Manistee Twp Fire Dept	681.00
17955	7/7/09	Consumer's Energy System	1,645.04
17956	7/7/09	Northern Fire & Safety	465.50
17957	7/7/09	Wahr Hardware	34.78
17958	7/7/09	Ace Hardware	44.94
17959	7/7/09	Jackpine	143.08
17960	7/10/09	Michigan Townships Association	430.00
17961	7/9/09	Connie L. Anderson	5,000.00
17962	7/13/09	Cynergy	188.85
17963	7/13/09	Dan Revolt	14.83
17964	7/13/09	Northwest Michigan Council	120.00
17965	7/13/09	Gockerman, Wilson, Saylor	250.00
17966	7/13/09	Advance Auto Parts	21.16
17967	7/6/09	Chuck Revolt	20.00
17968	7/13/09	Grand Rental Station	50.00
17969	7/13/09	Five Alarm Fire & Safety Equip	397.83
17970	7/13/09	The Pioneer Group	62.58
17971	7/13/09	John W. Dunlap	204.28
17972	7/13/09	Clara K. Saari	48.40
17973	7/13/09	Dennis R. Switalski	52.61
17974	7/13/09	Michael L. Willett	48.40
17975	7/13/09	Paul R. Revolt	382.80
17976	7/30/09	Gleaner Life Insurance	565.14
17977	7/30/09	Municipal Underwriters	190.00
17978	7/30/09	Allied Waste Services	443.60
17979	7/30/09	Fuelman of Michigan	635.46
17980	7/30/09	Conrad Adamski	54.20
17981	7/30/09	Patrick Miehlke	51.84

17982 7/30/09 Todd Mallison 57.20  
17983 7/30/09 Jack D. Dinsen 9.13  
17984 7/31/09 National City 910.27

Total 25,878.59

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