

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Wednesday, September 1, 2004 at 7:30 P.M., 2004, at the Manistee Township Hall. Board members present were John W. Anderson, Dennis R. Bjorkquist, John M Dontz, Darlene Smith, and M. Rebecca Dinsen. Also, present were Charles Gregg, Clara Kraus Saari, Clarence Smith, and Fire Chief John Dunlap.

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

The minutes of the August 12, 2004 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 September. It was moved by Dontz seconded by Bjorkquist to accept the Treasurers report as presented. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

There were no meetings of the Manistee Township Planning Commission or the Manistee Township Zoning Appeals Board.

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

The Manistee Township Fire Department held five training sessions, and responded to fire/medical runs during the month of August. Chief Dunlap stated the Department had their ladders tested. The ladder on 51-33 failed. A new 35 extension ladder has been ordered. Truck 51-33 is a 1979 model, and the Department is beginning to have trouble with it, overheating, leaking carburetor and radiator. It will be out of service in the coming month for repairs. The Manistee Township Fire Department has had 73 runs so far this calendar year.

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 October 11, 2004, at 5:00 P.M. for oral presentations at the Manistee Township Hall. All grant applications must be in to the County Administrator by September 17, 2004 at 5:00 P.M.

The tree cutting is complete on the Pomeroy Road project. There will be stumping, grading and gravel before winter.

The window replacement for the Bridge Street building was advertized. No one picked up, or requested any bids. One bid was dropped off by the firm in Copemish. It was moved by Bjorkquist and seconded by Dinsen to reject all bids, as no one received bid specifications. All voting in favor. Motion carried. It was agreed to re advertize the project, and hopefully get more bids.

Bjorkquist has talked with local engineers, and will seek the advice of Nordlunds or

Abonmarche for plans for the steps to the upper level of the play ground.

The Manistee County Road Commission has sent estimates on Domres Road. The Little River Band would like the road up graded and paved. The cost of the entire road would involve a township share of \$38,924.19, and the cost of grading and paving the road only to the drive of the LRBOI would be \$24,480.85. Anderson will contact the LRBOI, on the projected costs. Consideration may be given to the Township paying the additional \$14,443.34, to complete the road, if the tribe will pay the share to their drive.

The company of Henco, Incorporated sealed the Pleasanton Townships tennis courts. Dinsen will contact them prior to the next meeting for an estimate on sealing our tennis courts.

There were no replies to the ad for a Commercial Assessor for Manistee Township. Supervisor Anderson will talk with our Assessor Connie Anderson for further action.

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

The Manistee County Chapter of the Michigan Townships Association will meet at the Bear Lake Township Hall, on September 22, 2004 at 7:00 P.M.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Planning Commission will be held on Thursday, October 7, 2004 at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street. The Planning Commission will hold a work session on September 30, 2004 at 7:00 P.M.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board will be held on the second Thursday, October 14, 2004, 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 Dinsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 P.M. All voting in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Rebecca Dinsen, CMC
Manistee Township Clerk