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ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 2010, 9 A.M.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Supervisor David Meister.
The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present: Trustee James Wisniski, Trustee Roland Clement, Treasurer LaVonne Schafer-Beebe, Clerk Helen Mathieu.

USDA PUBLIC MEETING RE: FIRE TRUCK LOAN/GRANT IN CONJUNCTION WITH REGULAR TOWNSHIP MEETING: Meister explained the loan/grant request with the USDA. Questions received from Alice Hendricks.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Questions received from Alice Hendricks.

Regular Meeting Continued

MINUTES: Motion by Wisniski, second by Clement to approve minutes of the July 6, 2010 Regular meeting with the following corrections: under Fire/Rescue correct fire safety equipment amount from \$1,265 to \$1,269; under Community Planning Commission, insert John Manthey's name as the individual who signed the letter of agreement; under MTA change title of "former mayor" Cyndy Fuller to "Executive Director of the Alliance for Economic Success". Motion carried. **Motion** by Wisniski, second by Beebe to approve minutes of the July 26, 2010 Special Meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No report.

AMEND AGENDA: Add USDA and DNRE to Unfinished Business.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments received from Michael Carpenter.

COMMISSIONER ED HAIK: Absent.

COMMISSIONER KEN HILLIARD: Absent.

FIRE/RESCUE: Randy Baker reported 2 fire runs, 3 meetings, 1 tour, 1 training and 1 air pack inspection; 11 rescue runs and 1 meeting, for month of July. Baker said the department is celebrating its 60th anniversary and in conjunction with the anniversary and Onekama Days, it is hosting an Open House Saturday, Aug. 7 from noon to 3 p.m. with activities, displays and refreshments at the fire station. He presented the department's new Policy on Concealed Weapons to the board. Baker also detailed the rope rescue training sessions he attended along with Abe Lapp and Jeff Kamalowski,

including detailed descriptions on equipment needed, which totaled \$6,996.80 Consensus of the board to have the department prepare and submit a grant application for the equipment to the Revenue Sharing Board. **Motion** by Mathieu, second by Beebe to allow the fire department to spend up to \$1,500 for the Aug. 7 Open House, Onekama Days Parade and Fire Prevention Week. Motion carried.

ONEKAMA PLANNING COMMISSION: Report received and placed on file. Applications for the vacancy on the commission will be addressed at the September meeting.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Recording Secretary Mary Lou Millard reported the ZBA approved a variance for Don and Sally Wiper allowing a five foot side yard setback from the south side yard--a variance from the ten foot setback criteria,

BOARD OF REVIEW: Assessor Ginny Martz reported the Board of Review acted on 14 issues when it met July 20, 2010; warrants signed and forwarded to county and treasurer; 2 tax tribunals are scheduled, response turned in before the deadline.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: Schindler reported 6 Land Use permits in the township, 1 Land Use permit in the village, 1 ZBA variance issued; 1 township and 1 village violation pending; 1 township violation and 4 village violations resolved for the month of July . Complete report placed on file.

INVASIVE SPECIES: Mary Reed reported the committee submitted a timeline for invasive species survey, lake sampling and treatments for 2010; final copy of Portage Lake Improvement Management Study 2009 at the printer; still working on the Pierport Phragmites issue; will wait until after this year's treatments to submit a new estimated budget and data to support it.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Millard reported that the North Point Park Appreciation and Awareness Day will be Saturday, August 7, from noon to 3 p.m. at the Seymour entrance to North Point Park. In addition a "Find the Sharks in Our Parks" event is scheduled for children 12 years and under from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the eight parks. After the children find the "sharks" they can proceed to North Point Park for a prize and other refreshments. Report placed on file.

MTA-Local: Mathieu reported the group discussed having the monthly meetings in various townships. Speaker was Manistee County Drain Commissioner Mark Dibenedetto who presented Guidelines for Storm Water Management. Guest speaker for August will be a landscaper, who will discuss how residents can landscape to prevent their homes from catching fire in case of a forest or land fire, etc. Eight townships attended the meeting.

PORTAGE LAKE HARBOR COMMISSION: Correspondence read from Jim Mrozinski thanking the Manistee News Advocate for its coverage of the move of the lighthouse.

ALLIANCE FOR ECONOMIC SUCCESS: Alice Hendricks reported on an Evaluation on the Master Plan by the Leadership Team and consultant and requested by the Alliance. Report is available on the internet at www.alliancefor economicsuccess.com.

WATERSHED COMMITTEE: No report.

RECYCLE: Meister reported an informational sign for the recycling bins is being made by Allied Waste.

ROADS: Consensus to hold the check for \$30,548.91 until other work is done on Christensen, 11 Mile, Herkelrath and Smith.

ANGEL SLIDE: Clerk to inquire if county road commission has obtained a permit.

PORTAGE LAKE AVE., SUNNYSIDE, LAKEVIEW (DIRKSEN/BROWN): No report.

20 FOOT PUBLIC ACCESS: Consensus to install public access markers.

AIR CONDITIONER: Installation to begin Wednesday, August 4. **Motion** by Wisniski, second by Beebe to spend a total of \$10,156.26 on the project. Roll call vote: James Wisniski, yes; Roland Clement, yes; LaVonne Schafer-Beebe, yes; Helen Mathieu, yes, David Meister. Motion carried.

WATER WELL: On hold temporarily.

ORV: Will be brought up at the county road commission meeting.

SUMMIT MEETING: Will be Sept. 23, time and place unknown.

USDA: Paper work sent in on fire truck.

CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS: Board is requesting a copy of original and a new agreement for its franchise in the township.

DDA: Wisniski and Beebe to attend a meeting on Thursday, August 5 at 6:30 p.m. regarding questions and answers on a Downtown Development Authority. The meeting will be in West Shore Hospital's Education Center in Manistee

PUBLIC COMMENT: Donation of movie screen received from Jim and Mary Lou Millard for township and/ village.

BILLS: **Motion** by Wisniski, second by Mathieu to pay all regular and incoming bills. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

---Wells Fargo Ins. ---Portage Pt Summer Resort Corp. ---NWCOG

---Dist. 10 Health Dept. ---Manistee Cty Clerks' Assn. ---Spicer Group

---Manistee Cty. GOP ---Dept. of Energy, Labor, Economic Growth

ADJOURN: 11:45 a.m.

David Meister, Supervisor

Helen Mathieu, Clerk

LaVonne Schafer-Beebe, Treasurer

Roland Clement, Trustee

James Wisniski, Trustee