

5 August 2009 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Staci Payton and Ross Payton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER’S REPORT</u>	\$ 80,358.83 Checking	\$212,833.28 Road Fund
	11,844.49 Money Market	
	<u>114,314.42</u> CDs	\$ 29,193.22 Fire Debt
	\$206,517.74 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion supported by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

BOAT LAUNCHES:

The Chairman reported that permits from the DEQ to place stone at the boat launches have been received. The Chairman will purchase the stone directly from Rieth-Riley Construction and seek bids for hauling and placing the stone from their Hudson pit on Woodward Road. The Chairman hopes to secure bids for opening at the September 2nd meeting.

TABLES:

The Clerk reported that the replacement tables from Adirondack arrived. There were three tables damaged in transit which have already been replaced.

FLAG POLE:

The Chairman reported that he ordered a 20’ bronze flag pole from Bak Specialty Sales for \$1,470 plus freight costs.

CEMETERY:

Trustee Payton advised that he has gotten a couple price quotes for removing trees at the cemetery. The trees in question are the large maples along the road that are reportedly one hundred years old. After discussion, it was decided that Payton and the custodian, Joe Sevenski, will review the trees at the cemetery to determine if they should be completely removed, or just trimmed. The Chairman advised that we will put the project out for bids once we determine what’s going to be done.

BUILDING:

The Chairman has tried to contact the county building inspector about the fire barn. He has left messages but has not been contacted yet.

AURORA OIL& GAS:

The Clerk reported that he signed a retainer with attorney, Robert Kerzka, regarding the petition that Aurora Oil & Gas Corporation filed against the township with the Michigan Tax Tribunal. The petition filed needed immediate attention so as to not have a default motion filed against the township. The case is a full tribunal hearing which is much more involved.

The Clerk also reported that in the meantime, Aurora Oil & Gas Corporation has filed for bankruptcy. The Clerk has been in contact with MTA for guidance with both issues.

TRUTH IN TAXATION

WHEREAS, the Township of Hudson, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, has met all the requirements of Section 16 of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, allowing the levy of the maximum allowable millage greater than the Base Tax Rate to support the 2009-2010 fiscal budget as stated at a public hearing on the proposed budget held 4 March 2009, 7:00p.m. at the Hudson Township Hall, and

WHEREAS, Hudson Township has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate of 4.9871 mills total (1.0000 allocated mill, .9871 fire protection, 1.0000 fire equipment and 2.0000 road millage) allowed under “Headlee”, and

WHEREAS, because of the bad economic times facing not only the people of this township, but the State as a whole, the Hudson Township Board shall levy only one of the two authorized mills for roads in 2009, and

WHEREAS, it is a requirement that an increase resolution be adopted by the Hudson Township Board.

NOWTHEREFORE, be it resolved that Hudson Township, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, levy 3.9871 mills to support the 2009-2010 fiscal budget.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the resolution, supported by Caroline Kobylczak.

ROLL CALL: Terry Erber Aye
 Caroline Kobylczak Aye
 Frank D Wasylewski Aye
 Staci Payton Aye
 Ross Payton Aye

Resolution declared adopted this 5th day of August 2009.

ROAD PROJECTS:

Estimates were received from Charlevoix County Road Commission for placing Afton Stone on Kuzmik, Bingham and Woodin Roads. Placing 6” of Afton Stone is estimated to cost \$53,420 for Kuzmik Road, \$42,250 for Bingham Road and \$42,575 for Woodin Road, a total of \$138,245. It was agreed that Woodin Road would be done, even if Otsego County does not cost share, since the majority of residents on the road live on the Hudson Township side. Trustee Payton asked if the little section of Bows Lake Road ending on the water’s edge would be done along with Bingham Road. The Chairman said not at this time. The Chairman also stated that Kuzmik Road would include the small portion north of Reynolds Road, ending at the beginning of the seasonal portion of the road.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to request the Charlevoix County Road Commission obtain bids for the placement of Afton Stone 6” thick on the following roads, Kuzmik Road, including the small seasonal portion, Bingham Road and Woodin Road as per estimates, and give the Supervisor authority to proceed with the projects if bids come in before the next meeting and are within estimates. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

The Chairman also advised that a second application of road brine may not be done if the weather continues as it has.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported that the County Parks and Rec Board is going to be meeting at Lake Louise Christian Camp on August 17th to discuss water issues and to request donations from members for a portable pump for fighting fires on lakes.

Discussion on water issues around Thumb Lake. A portable pump will solve issues for fires on lakes, but there is still a need for water access in this area, not only for our department, but surrounding departments as well. A six inch well might be the best solution for the area, but could cost around \$25,000. It might be something that the surrounding fire departments might be interested in pursuing together.

The department will be involved in the Boyne Falls Polish Festival this weekend. Frontline Services recently completed inspections and tune-ups on the trucks.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to pay the following bills and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#8241	2 July 09	US Postal Service	Postage – Treasurer	\$54.70
#8242	2 July 09	US Postal Service	Postage – Treasurer	\$352.00
#8243	15July09	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$95.90
#8244	5 Aug09	Robert C Kerzka, PC	Attorney-Aurora Tax Tribunal Case	\$2,829.17
#8245	“ “ “	Charlevoix Co Dept of Equalization	Summer tax bills\$276.50/Assessing	\$557.98
#8246	“ “ “	Business Computer Resources	Assessor – Computer repair	\$80.00
#8247	“ “ “	BS & A	Treasurer/Assessor Software support	\$650.00
#8248	“ “ “	Our Town Software	Clerk Software support	\$245.00
#8249	“ “ “	Charlevoix County Road Comm	Road Brine	\$667.10
#8250	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall & Park	\$198.88
#8251	“ “ “	KSS Enterprises	Hall – custodian supplies	\$16.08
#8252	“ “ “	Van’s Business Machines, Inc.	Hall – copy machine toner & repair	\$142.00
#8253	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$214.62
#8254	“ “ “	Johnson Oil Company of Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire	\$1,035.96
#8255	“ “ “	Exxon Mobil	Fire – Gas	\$86.44
#8256	“ “ “	Bound Tree Medical LLC	Fire – Medical supplies	\$223.48
#8257	“ “ “	Joe Sevenski	Fire – light fixture	\$73.09
#8258	“ “ “	VOID		
#8259	“ “ “	A1 Rent-A-Jon Inc.	Porta Jons – Hall & Park	\$185.00
#8260	“ “ “	Holly LaCombe	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#8261	“ “ “	Kati Koza	Hall Refund	\$50.00
#8262	“ “ “	Ty Hawes	Hall Cancellation	\$150.00
#8263	“ “ “	John Kurbis	Planning Commission	\$34.49
#8264	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#8265	“ “ “	Carolyn Amman	Planning Commission	\$34.49
#8266	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee / Planning Commission	\$102.45
#8267	“ “ “	Joseph Sevenski	Custodian11.5hrs@\$9.25/21.5hrs@\$15	\$397.66
#8268	“ “ “	Staci A Payton	Treasurer	\$385.95
#8269	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Planning Commission – Chairman	\$36.92
#8270	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor	\$368.25
#8271	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$424.30
#8272	“ “ “	Front Line Services, Inc.	Fire – Wheel Chocks	\$400.95

A motion by Terry Erber to adjourn and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:07p.m.