
Milton Township Board
Annual Meeting
March 22, 2010

Bargy discussed how the meeting would operate with him as the moderator and citizens having the ability to make and second motions. Citizens reviewed the minutes from last year.

Motion by Toby Way, seconded by Jerry Mensing to approve the meeting minutes from the Annual Meeting dated March 30, 2009.

Tax Assessor's Report

As given by Amy Jenema

Jenema gave an update. Last year was the first year we've experienced a decrease in value. SEV went down by \$65 million. We will tend to be a year or two behind the times. The Bay and Elk Lake are seeing the biggest changes. There wasn't a huge drop in large tract or vacant land value. They saw 54 less people at Board of Review this year. Last year was probably the busiest year. Torch Lake ECF dropped. The average sale was about \$4800 per foot. Last year, it was \$5200. House value dropped 35%.

Ambulance/Zoning Report

As given by Weinzapfel

393 runs for the Ambulance. 31 land use permits for 2009, compared to 50-60 the year before. The Planning Commission approved two amendments. The placement of the cell tower on township property was discussed at one of the two ZBA meetings last year. The most positive was the new planner who will be helping to draft the updated zoning ordinance.

Fire Department Report

As given by Howard

92 fire runs, down 15 from the year prior. Update on new tanker that is on order for May. ATV is here and is close to service. Update on training and ISO certification.

Attorney's Report

As given by Derman

Charter Communications went bankrupt. The township never missed a payment. Update on misc., zoning. Update on GT Band. As of yet, it hasn't been recorded, but it is going into trust. Farmland preservation is being monitored. BRL Development: we had hearings on this to extend it to lot sales. In the middle, this went into bankruptcy. There will be reimbursement of Attorney Fees. Update on cell tower on township property. Update on Phragmites Ordinance. Update on tax tribunal fund sharing.

Supervisor's Report

As given by Bargy

Update on road paving: Share Erickson and grind Sutter. On the park, the main project is a grant application for three quarters of a mile for a walking path. They are also looking for new playground equipment. Next winter they would like to discuss an ice skating rink. Bargy discussed an upcoming meeting on Phragmites. Gas royalty money is also coming in, along with the cell tower land rental.

Toby Way asked regarding if the Kewadin Road Commission garage would be closed this summer. Bargy said he didn't know.

Paul Fitzpatrick asked regarding the proposed playground material. Bargy said similar to what's in Elk Rapids.

Kathy Vermerish asked regarding picnic tables and BBQ pits. Yes.

Jerry Mensing asked about bathroom facilities. Bargy said there wouldn't be any.

Amy Jenema said regarding the county, they would be upgrading the software at their expense. They saved the township \$7500.

Salary Resolutions for Budget year 2010-2011

Resolution 2010-02: Salary for the Supervisor:

Motion by Toby Way to approve. Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried.

Resolution 2010-03: Salary for the Clerk

Motion to approve by Jerry Mensing. Seconded by Paul Fitzpatrick. Motion carried.

Resolution 2010-04: Salary for the Treasurer

Motion to approve by Grace Huta. Seconded by Jerry Mensing. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by Bargy at 7:40 pm

These minutes are subject to approval at the 2011 Annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Ball, Clerk

