

# **MINUTES OF THE ELM RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD**

## ***MEETING***

AUGUST 16, 2010

The regular township monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Deb Maki, Jim Saur, Lynn Huotari, Margaret Lindeman, and Bob Sibilsky.

MINUTES OF MEETING: The minutes of the July 21, 2010 meeting were read and approved. Motion to approve: Huotari/Saur all voted aye.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Huotari and accepted as given. The fund balances are as follows: Citizen's CD \$7,474.21, SNB General Account \$9,820.09, MBIA Fire Fund \$36,696.66, MBIA General Fund \$81,600.98, MBIA Tax Fund \$42,040.18, SNB Tax Account \$41,885.33.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. The Houghton County Justice Center committee has written a request to address the township regarding the proposed center. It was decided that we would ask them to attend the next board meeting on September 22, 2010. A notice would be posted accordingly.
2. Western Upper Peninsula Health Dept. September 30, 2010 meeting on the Complete streets program was sent to supervisor Maki. There was no interest expressed on attending. The program didn't pertain to our twp. at this time.
3. County bond proposal document was provided us by the county clerk related to the Justice Center which will be on the November ballot.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

TOWNSHIP HALL/TANKER/USDA: Supervisor Maki indicated that UP Engr & Arch. were still in the process of preparing our submittal to the USDA.

PENSION: Burnham & Flowers is reviewing our various options. It is thought that we have a 218 Agreement but no one has a copy. They will look for the document.

WATER SAMPLING: Health Dept. is working on getting time to check out our situation.

It was thought that Health Dept. may have time available later in the month. Deb to follow-up with Lynn Madison.

SUMMER CLEAN-UP: This year was a little slower than past years. The board is not planning to do the cleanup next year. It could be discussed at a later date along with a downsizing of the containers and the number of days.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**SNOW REMOVAL:** The board has decided to continue with Don Cline @ \$60.00 per hr. Motion to renew contract: Lindeman/Saur all voted aye

**PROPANE:** We received our rate from Settlers Co-Op at \$1.60 per gal. or less until April of 2011. The board elected to continue with their service for the coming winter season.

**PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE:** No meeting had taken place since the last board meeting but they are scheduled for Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of September. The Master Plan parts will begin the assembly process at that time.

## **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:**

Concern was echoed regarding the new A T&T tower lights. It was noted that they were making schedule adjustments, however as we don't have any zoning at this time it would be difficult to control from the townships authority aspect.

**PAY THE BILLS:** Motion to pay the bills totaling \$10,591.38 Huotari/Lindeman all voted aye.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** none

**NEXT MEETING:** September 22, 2010

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Huotari/Sibilsky, all vote aye

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Robert L. Sibilsky, Clerk

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Deb Maki, Supervisor