

# **COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP**

## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP HALL-COUNTY ROAD 571**

**OCTOBER 10, 2005**

**7:00 P.M.**

Supervisor Neubecker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll call were Supervisor Neubecker, Clerk Hodges, Treasurer Casto, Trustee Bondy and Trustee Paladino. Three guests were also present.

Adoption of the Agenda - Neubecker asked to have Manistee Lake Improvement Board added to the agenda as item B under old business. M/Paladino S/Bondy to adopt the agenda with the one addition. All in favor. Motion carried.

Establish any conflict of interest of items that are on the agenda. None were presented.

Approval of Minutes - M/Bondy S/Casto to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2005 regular board meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence was reviewed - Neubecker received from Jack Kelley, Kankaska County Zoning Administrator, a copy of a letter that Kelly sent to Larry Lethorn, regarding a Stop Work Order on a garage that he was in the process of building on a piece of property that he did not own. Copy of the letter is on file.

Committee Reports - Planning & Maintenance - Trustee Bondy reported that she sent a thank you note to the Sheriff's Dept. for all the work they did in the township this summer, the grills are all covered up for the winter and the cemetery has been fertilized. Fire Board - the minutes from the October 5, 2005 Fire Board meeting were presented. Copy on file. Road Commission - Trustee Paladino said that Mike Slater said that he was tired of people calling him and asking him questions about why certain things weren't being done. Paladino said that because of the road commission not having a budget he feels that there has been a lot of wastefulness. Liquor Enforcement - Reports on Kiootee's and Manistee Lake Stop & Shop for the months of June, July and August were received. All reports were favorable.

Treasurers Report - Treasurer Casto presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month of September. The report showed that there was \$378,150.97 in the various bank accounts and \$100.00 in the Petty Cash Fund. She had not yet received the bank statement for the Tax

Account but without interest there was \$342,200.61 in the account. She also reported that we have a CD that is due to mature and she asked what was the board's desire. The board said to roll it over. M/Hodges S/Neubecker to accept the treasurer's report as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business - (A) Update on Road Ending Surveys - Neubecker said that there were no updates because they still have not surveyed Pickerel Lake. (B) Manistee Lake Improvement Board - Neubecker said that he has asked Mike Cox if the commissioners at their next commissioners meeting, would appoint a commissioner to the MLIB. He said that he also left a message for the drain commissioner asking if he was going to sit on the MLIB or was he going to appoint a representative to take his place.

New Business - (A) Open Bids for snow removal - Hodges said that she had not received any bids. She will advertise again in the papers and send out invitations to bid to Glenn Atkinson, Mike Deater, Rohde and McCullens. (B) Discuss Annual Meeting - Neubecker said that we had this on the agenda because Gerry Gancer at our last meeting asked the board to put it on the agenda for October. Neubecker asked Gancer if he had anything further to discuss. Gancer had no comment. (C) Septic Ordinance - Neubecker said that he had attended a meeting in Traverse City and that he had received quite a bit of information from the Northwest Michigan on Site Wastewater Task Force. He said that Dick Corson said that there were two townships in Kalkaska County that are looking forward to getting an on site wastewater ordinance going and they are Coldsprings Township and Blue Lake Township. He said that they do not currently have the support of District Health Dept. #10 in enforcement of an ordinance. Dick Corson suggested that what the townships will have to do is set up a fee schedule to enable them to pay for the annual or bi-annual inspections. He said that that way the townships would have the money available to pay an enforcement person who would be more or less dedicated to the townships for enforcement. Hodges asked about change of ownership. Neubecker said that change of ownership would also require a septic inspection. Short discussion. (C) Advertise for trash bids or renew contract - Short discussion. M/Neubecker S/Paladino to have the clerk contact North Country and ask them if they want to renew the trash contract at the current price. All in favor. Motion carried. (E) Approve the treasurer attending the MTA workshop on Fire Dept. rules & regulations. - M/Neubecker S/Hodges to approve the treasurer attending the MTA workshop. Cost \$80.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills - M/Paladino S/Bondy to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote. Neubecker yes, Hodges yes, Casto yes, Bondy yes and Paladino yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Checks #9882 through #9903 in the amount of \$11,950.72. Check #9892 and #9898 were voids. Neubecker asked the clerk to set up a separate account for MLIB in order to keep track of any expenses incurred by the township which will be subject to reimbursement

at a later date.

Citizens Comments - Gancer asked if we knew anything about the Undersheriff retiring. No one did. Paladino asked about Punch & Judy as to whether they will be able to pay for their snow plowing this winter. Hodges said that they have \$179.50 in their account now, plus their special assessment goes through this tax season. She said that next spring they will have to petition for another special assessment.

M/Casto S/Paladino to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Mary Hodges  
Coldsprings Township Clerk