

**MENOMINEE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES 01/20/2010**

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor- Ken Goffin. Members in attendance; Treasurer- David Wesoloski, Clerk- Michael Armbrust, Trustee -Dale Axtell, Trustee- Darlene Nerat.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Observed a moment of silence for the passing of Ken Herson, BOR member and former Fire Chief.

Agenda:

Motion by Wesoloski to add to agenda #5 attorney's letter, move reports #3 through #6 after new business. Seconded by Axtell, Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Minutes:

Motion by Armbrust to approve the regular 12/16/2009 minutes, seconded by Wesoloski. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications: Erik Bergh from Menominee Public Schools informed the board that the school board passed resolution last December to collect all the school districts' taxes in the summer at \$2.50 per parcel that the school will pay township. Discussion followed.

Reports:

Sexton- Read by Goffin. **Motion** by Wesoloski to place on file, seconded by Axtell. Motion carried unanimously.

Assessor- Schwanz presented her report and the Coleman land split. **Motion** by Wesoloski to approve the Coleman land division, seconded by Axtell. Motion carried unanimously. **Motion** by Armbrust to place report on file, seconded by Axtell. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business: **Appointing Planning Commission.**

Goffin nominated the following with a short question and answer session, which were then voted upon.

One-year term, Bill Lenca. Nomination seconded by Axtell, nomination carried unanimously.

One-year term, Eldred Swanson. Nomination seconded by Axtell, nomination carried unanimously.

Two-year term, Mike Harding. Nomination seconded by Wesoloski with Axtell and Nerat voting no. Goffin, Armbrust, Wesoloski voting yes. Nomination carried.

Two-year term, Fran Havelka. Nomination seconded by Nerat, nomination carried unanimously.

Three-year term, Bill Kelley. (Bill Kelley was not present for question and answer) Nomination seconded by Armbrust, nomination carried unanimously.

Three-year term, Pat Barker. (Pat Barker was not present for the question and answer) Nomination seconded by Wesoloski. Axtell and Nerat voted no. Goffin, Armbrust, Wesoloski voted yes. Nomination carried.

Nerat was appointed board representative.

Roads:

Discussion on roads and how much to spend. Board will get estimated for 500 feet from railroad tracks west, on Birch Creek Road. Axtell will go to the road commission meeting next week and report back to township board.

March Meeting:

With Goffin being out of town, board changed budget meeting to March 11, 2010 at 9:00 am and regular township board meeting to March 31, 2010 at 6:30 pm.

Tax Collection:

Motion by Wesoloski to move school district winter tax collection to school summer tax collection at \$2.50 per parcel per non-homestead tax year 2010. Seconded by Axtell. Motion carried unanimously. (Special note due to County Treasurer's input on the "non-homestead" tax collection, may not be what the school intended. From a previous letter the school asked for both Operating and Debt collection, which is how it is posted on the web page; which was later confirmed correct by the County Treasurer. Bottom line was the Township will do what the school wants as long as it is done at no loss of revenue to the township).

Attorney:

Need proof that township owns 14th Street before attorney can send letter for plowing and easement for sewer. Discussion followed. Goffin will get a title search done.

Reports:

Supervisor- Goffin met with Mr. Goode, Menominee City Manager. Goode does not want to be involved with any development with the township.

Clerk- Armbrust reported Waste Management impact fee increases 1 cent per ton per year.

Treasurer- Wesoloski gave treasurer's report. Wesoloski broke down cost of MTA conference.

Trustees- Nerat gave reports.

Motion by Wesoloski to place all reports on file, seconded by Axtell. Motion carried unanimously.

Pay Bills:

Motion by Armbrust to pay bills with check #'s 23850 through 23862, along with Credit Card bill and AT&T bill and Quick Signs bill. Payroll checks #'s 1649 through 1657. Seconded by Wesoloski, Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Diane Lesperance commended Wesoloski on his efficiency and organization. She said the State is doing homestead audits. Her office is presently doing yearly audits. DNR notified her that CFR has dropped. She also stated a family would like to donate a piece of property to the county.

Adjourn:

Motion by Axtell to adjourn at 8:38 p.m., seconded by Goffin. Motion carried unanimously.



Submitted by: Michael Armbrust/Clerk



Ken Goffin/Supervisor