

REGULAR MEETING  
MENOMINEE TOWNSHIP BOARD  
N2283 O-1 DRIVE, MENOMINEE, MI 49858  
August 27, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Supervisor Ken Goffin. Members in attendance as follows: Julie Kass-Clerk, Patricia Barker-Treasurer, Ken Goffin-Supervisor, Darlene Nerat-Trustee, and Dale Axtell-Trustee.

Attendance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge

**Agenda:** **Motion** made by Kass to approve with the agenda with the addition Credit Card under New Business, Carbondale Sign under Trustee report, and Pay Bills after Reports, seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously.

Agenda

**Public Appearance:** Jay McMahon from Schenck went through the audit with the Board. He reported the books were in excellent order, the township is in good shape, and the audit went well.

Public Appearance  
By Schenck (Audit)

**Sexton's Report:** Sexton's report was read by Supervisor Goffin. **Motion** made by Axtell to place the Sexton's report on file, seconded by Barker, motion carried unanimously.

Sexton's Report

**Assessor's Report:** *Land splits;* **Motion** made by Barker to approve the Ryzard Gabriel land split, seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously. **Motion** made by Barker to approve the Gary & June Papiikilo land split, seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously. **Motion** made by Barker to approve the John & Darlene Nerat land split, seconded by Axtell, motion carried 4 to 1 with Nerat abstaining. Jill Schwanz passed out a written report to all the Board Members and also presented an oral report. **Motion** made by Axtell to place the Assessor's Report on file, seconded by Kass, motion carried unanimously.

Assessor's Report

Land Splits

**Rec. Report:** Judy Bright, secretary of the Rec. Committee passed out a written report to the Board and also presented an oral report. The report included the fact that we did not receive the park grant the Township applied for and Judy felt the grants were being given to bigger projects.

Rec. Report

**Approve Minutes:** **Motion** made by Barker to approve the July 23, 2008 Regular Meeting minutes with an addition to the Treasurer's Report, line one after IFT's add 1995 thru 2006., seconded by Kass, motion carried unanimously. **Motion** made by Barker to approve the July 30, 2008 Special Meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously.

Approve Minutes  
July 23, 08 reg.  
July 30, 08 spec.

**Motion** made by Barker to call a Special Meeting to hold a Public Hearing on; Planning Commission, Zoning, and Catastrophic Fund. Seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously.

Special Meeting  
July 30, 2008

**Old Business:** *Bay De Noc Patch;* Goffin asked if the Bay De Noc Patch should perhaps be put off until next year as the black top bid is a much higher than the bids we received to black top the other roads we are doing. **Motion** made by Axtell to go forward with the Bay De Noc patch, seconded by Barker, motion carried 4 to 1 with Goffin voting nay. **Public Participation Policy;** The Public Participation was reviewed and discussed. **Motion** made by Kass to leave the aforementioned policy in place as is, seconded by Barker, motion carried unanimously.

Bay De Noc Patch

Public Participation  
Policy

**New Business:** *Junkyard Complaint;* Goffin explained that he received a complaint from someone who lives on Zimmerman Lane. Goffin said that there are three junk cars in the yard

Junkyard Complaint

and the Junkyard Ordinance state six or more unlicensed vehicles. This also raises the question as to how the Board enforces the Ordinance on a private road. Kass stated that the Ordinance says from public view and this property can not be seen from any public roads. Kass suggested we get an opinion from Attorney Filoramo. **Paving; Motion** made by Kass to approve the paving of Evergreen Lane and ask the Road Commission to put Evergreen out on black top bid as soon as possible, seconded by Barker, motion carried unanimously. **Credit Card; Motion** made by Kass to approve issuing a Township Credit Card to the Sexton/Custodian with a spending limit of \$300, seconded by Axtell, motion carried 4 to 1 with Nerat voting nay.

**Supervisor's Report:** Goffin reported that the Road Commission shall start graveling. Goffin also reported that the Township has spent \$4,140.00 on dust control thus far this year and that is not very much compared to other years. **Motion** made by Goffin to chloride as needed the Township road accept the roads that are to be graveled, seconded by Barker, motion carried unanimously. There is one more load of tires to be removed from Holiday Wrecking and all the tires will be cleaned up. Goffin stated that he discussed broadband for Menominee Township with Scott Beck from Cyberzone. Possibly putting up a couple of towers and using farmers' silos this may be possible. Cyberzone has a 70' used antenna for \$300 or \$400 and that would work for the Fire Dept. He will be looking into this further. We have given out 40 resident water tests to date.

**Treasurer's Report:** Barker read a report the June report; Revenues for June were \$25,511.06. Balance on hand \$1,942,223.12. Revenues for July were \$64646.31. Balance on hand \$2,030,512.32.

**Trustee's Report:** Nerat read the Trustee's Reports. **Motion** made by Kass to place the Trustee's Report on file, seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously. Nerat reported that the people were very happy that the Township put up the Carbondale signs.


**Pay Bill's:** **Motion** made by Kass to pay bills ck#23433 thru ck#23480 and ck#1375 thru ck#1390, seconded by Barker, motion carried unanimously.

**Consent Agenda Items:** **Motion** made by Axtell to place the Consent Agenda Items on file, seconded by Barker, motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment:** Opened at 8:00 p.m., Mike Armbrust (broadband), Diane Lesperance (broadband)(Birch Creek Rd culverts) closed at 8:07.

**Adjourn:** **Motion** made by Nerat to adjourn @ 8:07 p.m., seconded by Axtell, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:



Julie L. Kass  
Menominee Township Clerk



Ken Goffin  
Menominee Township Supervisor

Paving

Credit Card For  
Sexton/Custodian

Supervisor's Report  
Gravel

Dust Control

Tire Clean Up  
Almost Complete

Broadband

Resident Well Tests

Treasurer's Report

Trustee's Report


Pay Bills

Consent Agenda Items

Public Comment

Adjourn

Approve

  
10-22-08