

**THOMPSON TWP. BOARD-REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**  
*Thompson Township Hall*  
*January 8, 2013 at 6:00p.m.*

The Thompson Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Theresa Lund, Supervisor, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by the Supervisor for Board Members present.

**PRESENT:** Cathi LaBar, Sandra Houghton, Theresa Lund, Martha Wnuk, Cynthia McDaniel

**ABSENT:** None

**Approval of Agenda:** Martha Wnuk made the motion to approve the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Brief Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Constant Agenda Items:** Motion made by Sandra Houghton to accept minutes from December 11, 2012 monthly meeting and the treasurer's report , 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Assessor's Report:** Joseph Maki summarized written report and added that if anyone knows of any newly demolished structures to report to him. Motion made by Cathi LaBar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cynthia McDaniel to accept Assessor's report as submitted, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Fire Department Report:** Marc Chevront reported that the fire department did not have any calls this past month. There have been a few individuals expressing interest in joining the fire department following the ad in the advisor. There will be some upcoming fire fighter trainings this winter and spring. Marc checked the hospital's sprinkler system. There are some issues with the brush truck the fire department was going to apply for through the MDNR as discussed in December, so paperwork has not been completed. Rescue tools will need to be checked with an approximate cost for the service of \$250-300. Motion made by Cathi LaBar to accept report, approve any upcoming fire fighter trainings, and to have the rescue tools serviced, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Lund, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Historical Report-** Martha Wnuk stated that the Christmas Schooner play had a poor turnout, but that the performance was very good. The committee is hoping the Manistique High School will be able to perform the play in the future. Cathi LaBar stated that the auditor wants to make sure the funds are being deposited through the treasurer in the general fund and spent correctly as they are restricted funds. The board will work on a policy to set up procedure.

**Community Recognition Program-** Pastor Steve Jones, attending on behalf of the Manistique Ministerial Association, accepted the award for the month of January recognizing the association for their dedication to the people of our community. The Manistique Recreation Board will be recognized for the month of February.

**Board Goals** Discussion of goals by the board including replacing brick moulding around fire hall doors, electrical-townhall circuits & wiring to the sacristy, painting doors as needed, repairing driveway and parking lot at town hall and fire hall.

**Amended Budget** Theresa Lund presented budget as of meeting date today to review in preparation for 2013-14 budget.

**Board of Review Schooling** Theresa Lund contacted Board of Review (BOR) members to inquire if there was need for the training offered by MTA February 6 in Marquette. Rex Slingsby and Patrick Nelson (basic training) and Theresa Lund (advanced training) will attend. Len VanNess was emailed the information, but did not respond by the meeting date as requested. Motion made by Cathi LaBar to send Rex, Patrick, and Theresa to the BOR training on February 6 and purchase two BOR Guide books, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**CUPPAD-Predisaster Hazard Mitigation Planning** Theresa Lund stated that the township does not provide this service so it does not apply. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to email this response to CUPPAD, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Price Quote-Parking Lot at twp. hall & fire hall** Theresa Lund received an estimate for budgeting purposes on drainage correction \$8,000.00 and driveway correction \$4,000.00 from Craig Kelso to repair the townhall/fire hall parking lot and driveway. The board discussed trying to get both corrections for \$10,000.00 and inquiring if there is state highway money for the drainage portion and other possible bids. Martha suggested that the board needs to get a contract for the work to guarantee the price. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to offer \$10,000.00 for the driveway and drainage corrections, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Election Official Accreditation** Cynthia McDaniel stated the 2 day training is required by law to run elections. Motion made by Sandra Houghton for Cynthia to attend Election Official Accreditation training, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Lund, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Electrical-Town hall and Sacristy** Theresa Lund spoke with Mark Hoholik who stated more circuits could be added in the hall for around \$400.00 and wiring to the Sacristy for approximately \$400.00 not including the trenching to the Sacristy. Lighting costs can vary greatly depending on the type. Martha stated that Jody Wnuk would be able to do the trenching to the Sacristy from the hall for the wiring.

**Update Board Rules and Regulations** Motion made by Martha Wnuk to work on updating the board policy during the budget meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Correspondence/Communications-** Michigan Stormwater Floodplain Association (MSFA) Annual Conference and FEMA-Lake Michigan Coastal Flood Study Discovery Draft Report

**Public Comment:** Dan LaFoille reported that there has been criticism regarding the way the County Commissioners have handled hiring of a new emergency manager and other positions by not hiring from Manistique. He wanted to inform the board about the issue and suggested that if anyone mentions it to have them call him and he is happy to explain the situation and that they are doing what they feel is best for the community.

**Pay all Bills and Wages:** Motion was made by Martha Wnuk to pay all due bills and wages for the month of January, Ck#5625-Ck#5647 Total Amount \$7,499.43, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Motion to adjourn:** by Theresa Lund, Supervisor

**Next Meeting:** February 12, 2013 at 6p.m.