

**THOMPSON TWP. BOARD-REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**  
*Thompson Township Hall*  
*June 11, 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:** Sandra Houghton made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of "Chvala Road" to New Business and "Dust Control" to Unfinished Business, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Brief Public Comment:** none

**Approval of Constant Agenda Items:** Motion made by Martha Wnuk to accept minutes from the May 15, 2013 monthly meeting and the treasurer's report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Assessor's Report:** Joseph Maki, assessor, stated he did not have a written report this month since he had been out of town. He knew of 3 building permits that he will include in his report to the board next month. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to accept report as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Fire Department Report:** Marc Chevront was not present, but Theresa Lund, supervisor, knew of one fire this past month on Indian Lake. She was not sure if there would be any upcoming training before the next meeting, but stated the fire department would likely be in the Independence Day parade. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to accept report as given and to approve fire department participation in the Independence Day parade as well as any upcoming training, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cynthia McDaniel, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Historical Report-** Martha Wnuk reported that the historical committee had met Monday night, but she had not attended. Sandra Houghton added information on the meeting that took place with some committee members and the Moose Lodge about the township/Moose picnic. They will meet again soon. Cathi LaBar suggested that when they meet to remind members that the picnic invitations should be simple in color and ½ page to add to the summer tax bills. Motion made by Cathi LaBar to accept historical report as given, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cynthia McDaniel, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Community Recognition Program-** Theresa Lund spoke with Roger Irie and he had received the honor previously. She attempted to contact Kevin Knaffla and was unable to reach him. Theresa will contact Kevin before the next meeting to honor him at the July board meeting.

**Erickson Road** Theresa Lund spoke with Scott DeKeyser, MDOT technician, regarding engineers for Erickson Road. Theresa had recommendations from multiple sources to check with Chad Carlson of Escanaba. Andy LaBar is also checking into possible engineers for the job and will submit a list. Steve Hartman, Hartman Excavating, stated there is about 2-3" of clay 2 feet down in the section of road with the problem area and that he would dig it out, place a mat, and refill with gravel to repair. Motion to proceed with potential engineer search for Erickson Road made by Martha Wnuk, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Propane Contract** Theresa Lund contacted several propane companies and there are no used tanks available at this time. The township will stay with Decock due to major repair expenses in the township this fiscal year and consider pursuing this at a later date. Martha Wnuk made the motion to suspend the tank search and stay with Decock for propane on autofill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Lund, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Townhall Parking Lot** Theresa Lund received a new estimate from Craig Kelso for removing the existing pavement and culvert, proposed 1' undercut with replacement 12" culvert, backfill and hot mix blacktop at \$6,500.00. Theresa will contact Craig to have the Schoolcraft County Road Commission proceed with work on the first section from the beginning of the parking lot near Little Harbor Road to the beginning of the fire hall to determine if this plan will work. Cynthia McDaniel made the motion to have the county present a detailed contract for the project and to have them begin work on fixing the section of parking lot beginning near Little Harbor Road and the fire hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Townhall Roof** Theresa Lund, supervisor, has attempted to contact Frank Bosanic regarding the roof, but has been unable to reach him. She will place an ad in the Advisor for bids for the roof to have the old shingles removed, any necessary repairs made, and new 35 yr. architectural shingles placed on the roof. Bids will be due by June 28.

**Dust Control** Theresa Lund, supervisor, stated it is being suggested that chloriding the entire road instead of just in front of each residence would help keep the road from blowing away and lead to less damage on the roads. Theresa will check on cost to chloride all roads at 80%.

**New Road-Marquardt Trail** Approval of road name for new road off Little Harbor Road needed for 911 designation. Motion made by Cathi LaBar to approve name "Marquardt Trail", 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**MTA Annual Dues** Motion made by Martha Wnuk to pay the annual dues for membership in the Michigan Townships Association (MTA), 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**General Fund CD Renewal** Cynthia McDaniel, clerk, stated the General Fund CD was automatically renewed at maturity-\$67,812.75 on June 8. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to keep the CD in its current location, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Fire Truck Payment** Cynthia McDaniel reported the next payment due for the fire truck on July 1, 2013 is \$15,295.00 (\$13,000.00 principal; \$2,295.00 interest).

**Chvala Road** There has been a problem reported with Chvala Road in the spring similar to that on Erickson Road, but not as severe. The board may have the engineers assess Chvala Road when they look at Erickson Road to give suggestions for repair.

**Correspondence/Communications-** Barque Point Trail – health department violation notice; MDOT meeting schedule; invitations to rural health clinic dedication

**Public Comment:** Dan LaFoille reported that the EDC has partnered with Michigan Works and is in the process of reorganizing under interim director, Dustin Denkins. Joel Schultz is on the board along with Dan. The future of the group is uncertain.

**Pay all Bills and Wages:** Motion was made by Martha Wnuk to pay all due bills and wages, Ck#5734-Ck#5755 Total Amount \$8,067.99, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

**Motion to adjourn:** by Theresa Lund

**Next Meeting:** July 9, 2013 at 6p.m.