

August 6, 2012

Supervisor Nancy Estola called the regular meeting of the Summit Township Board to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Supervisor Estola, Mary Samuels Clerk, Treasurer Mary Bedker, Trustees Duane Cooper and Terry Woirol. All members were present.

Motion by Cooper seconded by Woirol to approve the agenda as amended. Ayes all. Motion carried.

The minutes of the June 4, 2012 regular meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Communications were read from the Kent County Health Department regarding the results of water testing for the Summit Township Park and Kibby Creek Park. There was no coliform detected.

Brief public comment was received from Nick Krieger, candidate for Probate Judge. He will be on the Ballot for the General Election. Jo Ann Sholtey expressed concerns about the condition of Lakeshore Drive. She was instructed to talk to the Mason County Road Commission. Phil Arnold of Montgomery Blvd. asked that a taller sign be placed on Montgomery Blvd stating that No Dogs are Allowed on the Beach. The one that is there has been defaced. There are also issues with the trees growing in the power lines. This is an issue for Consumers Energy. Mr. Arnold also stated there have been parking issues and that the township may need to consider placing a guardrail in the township parking area. He did state that the porta potty and trash collection has been a nice addition.

Mason County Rural Fire Authority-Reported that Meade Township only wants to pay for 50% of their service this year and 25% for the next two years and then have the fire authority absorb their costs. The MCRFA will not give them fire protection if they do not pay. They also presented their audit report for the last fiscal year. The MCRFA have received donations from Consumers Energy for equipment.

Under Old Business the Following was Discussed:

1. **Summit Park Repairs**-Discussion on placing a backboard at the tennis court and purchase of playground equipment. T Woirol received an estimate from Bakko for an 8'x20' Backboard at a cost of \$2,474.00. This will be included in next years budget and purchased in the spring. Sue Cornelius and Nancy Hager of Friends of Summit Park were given catalogs of playground equipment and will start to put and estimate together for new equipment and seek grants to pay for it. More information to follow as it becomes available.
2. **Tire Disposal Bid** was received from Tom Anthony to cut up old tires at the transfer site and dispose of them in the dumpsters. A decision is still on hold until more information becomes available.
3. **Signs at Kibby Creek** -Amor signs are waiting for the overlay material to arrive. They expect it by the 16th.
4. **Pavilion**-M Sheffield will plant grass next to the pavilion and remove all the weeds and growth.
5. **Bass Lake Outlet**-There have been some issues with trespassing at the Bass Lake Outlet due to the way the water is now flowing. M Samuels will check to see if the DEQ would permit some dredging.

Under New Business the Following was Discussed:

1. **Sheriff Report**-No unusual activity was reported in the township. 13 Service calls received.

2. **Commissioner's Report**-Reported there is a six month moratorium on medical marijuana in Mason County. The board approved diving equipment and vests for the Sheriff Department. Zoning hours have been increased to 8 hour days. Have rented a building in Scottville for 4-H. The board has eliminated health insurance coverage for its members and the County Board will assist with funding for Hazardous Waste.
3. **Assessor**-Three bids were received for the position of Summit Township Assessor. A motion was made by Samuels and seconded by Bedker to appoint Sam Barnett as the Assessor for Summit Township for \$12,900.00 per year (Level II) with a three year contract beginning January 1, 2013. Ayes all. Motion carried.
4. **Cemetery Excavation**-Motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol to hire Ken Adams Excavating to do the clearing and build the roads for the new Cemetery on Deren Road in the amount of \$24,455.00. This project will be completed in three phases. Ayes all. Motion carried.
5. **Concrete for Deren Road Cemetery Construction**-Motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol to hire Kelder LLC to place the curbs, monument pads and columbarium pads for the Deren Road Cemetery in the amount of \$61,380.00. Ayes all. Motion carried.
6. **Revised Cemetery Plans**-Motion by Samuels, seconded by Bedker to approve the revised plans for the Deren Road Cemetery from Randers Engineering. Ayes all. Motion carried.
7. **Legal Fees for Wind Tax Coalition**-Motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol to contribute legal fees in the amount of approximately \$1,160.00 to the County of Mason for future wind tax issues. Ayes all Motion carried.
8. **Road Agreements**-Motion by Woirol, seconded by Cooper to enter into an agreement with the Mason County Road Commission for brine and a Cul-de-sac on Runyan Road. Ayes all. Motion carried.
9. **Fuel for Townhall**-M Samuels will call and get prices from different vendors and inquire on the cost to buy a tank.

The Treasurer's report was given with a May 31, 2012 balance of \$590,453.45, disbursement of \$54,311.44, revenues of \$21,124.21 leaving a July 31, 2012 balance of \$557,266.22.

Cooper made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$54,311.44 for check numbers 8619 through 8661 inclusive. Seconded by Woirol. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report

1. Household Hazardous Waste Collection day is scheduled for August 18, 2012 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Mason County Road Commission.

Extended Public Comment: Jim McKeivitt of the Bass Lake Board reported there will be another treatment for Milfoil on Bass Lake sometime next week.

There being no further business the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m. with a Motion by Bedker, seconded by Samuels. Ayes all. Motion carried.


 Mary Samuels Summit Township Clerk