

Maple Ridge Township Regular Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2014

I. Call to order

Supervisor, Judy Trudell called to order the regular meeting of the **Maple Ridge Township Board** at **7:00pm** on **Tuesday, August 26, 2014** at the **Maple Ridge Community Building**. Board Members present were Trustees Bill Toyra & Janet Pattan, Supervisor Judy Trudell, Clerk Sue Sicotte.

II. Pledge of Allegiance Recited

III. Approval of July 29, 2014 Agenda: No additions or corrections to the agenda-stood as written.

IV. Approval of the Minutes: July 26, 2014 Regular Meeting & August 11, 2014 Special Meeting Stood as written

V. Review Invoices & Payment of Bills

The lists of bills were presented for the Maple Ridge Township General Fund, Liquor Law Enforcement Account, and the Rock Water System. A motion by Janet, supported by Judy to pay the August bills presented by the clerk in the amount of \$15,080.35 Withholding for August \$194.83 for the General Fund. All Ayes Motion carried.

Motion by Bill, supported by Janet to pay the August bills presented in the amount of \$3,544.30 Withholding for August \$50.01 for Rock Water System. All Ayes. Motion carried.

VI. Visitors

John Economopoulos addressed the Board and Public in regards to his campaign running for Delta County District Judge.

VII. Reports

Treasurer Financial Reports:

Township General Fund Revenues for July were \$19,426.66. Expenses for July were \$9,496.27; of this amount \$40.00 was for the Liquor Law Enforcement account. The General Fund Operating balance is \$134,290.16; \$75,000.00 is in a CD at First Bank in Gladstone, leaving a Net Operating balance of \$59,290.16; of this amount \$3,197.47 is in the Liquor Law Enforcement account and the Fire Fund now has a Zero Balance

Rock Water System Revenues for July were \$3,344.55, expenses of \$2,136.76 leaving a Net Operating Balance of \$16,797.32 of this amount \$4000.00 is in Restricted Funds Account.

Clerks Report and Correspondence:

August 5, 2014 election went well. Contacted the Bond Attorney to see what is needed to get funding for the Rock Water System. Clerk and Treasurer report totals not in balance. Clerk will review reports and inform Treasurer of her findings.

Trustees Reports:

Bill Toyra did the Liquor Law Enforcement inspections at Joe's One Stop & Herb's Bar.

Janet Pattan reported on burials taken care of this past month.

Supervisors Report:

Judy went over correspondence received since last meeting, She gave an update on the Recreation grant- She has contacted local Contractors for bids to construct a one room bathroom facility and is working on getting quotes for the Outdoor Toilets Working with a new contact person in regards to Street Light proposal-waiting on a contract to arrive. Delta County Road Commission will begin work on the North Rock Road soon. She sent letters to the County Administrator and each Commissioner regarding the Equalization fees and services. Paperwork for the Millage Increase has been filed and should be on the Nov 4, 2014 General Election Ballot. Judy will be attending the MTA UP Summit in Marquette.

Assessor's Report: Daina gave a copy of her report and discussed the tasks that were completed in the past month. She also updated the Board on the completion of all requests from the Board of Review Meeting that was held July 22, 2014.

VIII. Public Comment

Ted Bartczak commented on the upcoming millage request and status of microphone use at the meetings.

IX. Unfinished Business

A..Water System:

1. Water Emergency Declaration Community Grant: Motion by Janet, supported by Sue to allow Judy to proceed with the Grant. There will be a matching fund requirement of \$2,000.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

2. Maintenance: Motion by Sue, supported by Janet to Repair the Treatment Tank roof, install a new door on the building, and get the CL Piping needed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

3. Meters: Motion by Janet, supported by Judy to purchase 100 new meters at a cost of \$20,600. The monies can be taken from the Maple ridge General Fund for the initial purchase and must be paid back, when outside funding is received for the Rock Water System. Judy, Sue, and Janet All Ayes. Bill Nay. Motion Carried.

4. Ready To Serve: Board Consensus to allow any customer who is currently being assessed a ready to serve fee, the option to have the meter removed. There will be an installation fee, if the homeowner chooses to have the meter put back in place in the future.

5. Reimbursement for Ted Winklebauer: Motion by Bill, supported by Judy to pay Ted \$144.00 for the additional time spent during this past winter's water freeze ups and time spent in regards to the leak detection.. The rate is \$12.00 for 12 hours. All Ayes. Motion carried.

6. Bonds: Motion by Judy, supported by Bill to allow Sue to contact the Bond Attorney in regards to applying for funding in the amount of up to \$50,000-\$60,000 to finance the meters and repairs needed for the Rock Water System. All Ayes. Motion carried

7. Ordinance W-3: Tabled

B. Baseball Tournament Update/Expenses: Motion by Sue, supported by Janet to purchase the Diamond sand needed for the ball field and fertilizer at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

C. Cellphone Booster Cost Request: The cost to install the booster was \$285.00. The Township's half of the expense would be \$142.50. No action taken. Questions were raised as to the effectiveness of this booster. Some people are getting good signals and others are not.

X. New Business

a. Garden Township Resolution: Motion by Bill, supported by Sue, to elect to not to participate in the Resolution presented by citizens of Garden Township in regards to the Windmills in Delta County. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

b. Fire Hall Sell or Lease: Tabled

c. Quote from Rent A Maid: Estimate was presented in the amount of \$562.00 to Strip, Seal, and Wax the floors in the Community Center. No action was taken. Questions on the warranty of the work.

d.: Meeting date change: Judy requested the meeting scheduled for Dec 16, 2014 be changed to Wednesday Dec 17, 2014. Board Consensus to change this date.

e. Policy Manual Review: Look over the Accounting Procedures section before the next meeting.

XI. Public Comment:

Ted Bartczak commented on the Water System

Jerry Vallier commented on the cost of the Millage Request

Wally Trudell commented on the Bonding.

XII. Adjournment

Supervisor, Judy Trudell adjourned the meeting at **8:45 p.m.**

Unapproved Minutes submitted by: Susan Sicotte & Judy Trudell