

KRAKOW TOWNSHIP

MARCH 8, 2011

The regular March meeting of the Board of Trustees of Krakow Township was held on March 8, 2011, at the Krakow Township Hall, 12022 Bolton Road, Posen, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Kevin C. Przybyla.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Present: Kevin C. Przybyla, Elaine M. Misiak, Roger K. Witherbee, Karen S. Romel

Absent: Richard Biermacher (excused)

Special Guest: Mike Grohowski – Friends of Thompson Harbor State Park

Also Present: 9 Guests

Mike Grohowski – Friends of Thompson Harbor State Park

7:02 to 7:21 p.m.

Thompson Harbor State Park is approximately 5,110 acres located in Krakow Township. Mr. Grohowski presented a history of the park. It features sand dunes and is home to the rare dwarf lake iris, 7 miles of hiking trails, historical features, and hunting. The park also is available as an outdoor classroom. Goals of the group are to generate a list of interested citizens, organize a general membership meeting to adopt by-laws, elect officers, and establish non-profit status to allow the friends group to apply for available grants. Protection of the sand dunes is a priority. The group would protect historical features, promote park stewardship, promote the park's features, and work with the park supervisor on park projects. Mr. Grohowski is seeking the support of individuals and groups because involvement with and support of the group are the keys to success in preserving the park, making the best use of the park, and promoting development of the park.

Citizens' Comment (None)

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Karen S. Romel reported an ending balance on February 28, 2011, of \$93,794.65. (The financial statement is subject to audit.)

Consent Agenda Items

Moved by Roger K. Witherbee, supported by Karen S. Romel, to accept the report on income, expenses, and budget balances for February (vouchers #1997 to #2014); treasurer's report for February; and minutes of February 8, 2011, as presented.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Moved by Kevin C. Przybyla, supported by Roger K. Witherbee, to approve a line item change in the 2010-2011 transfer station budget:

\$200.00 from Refuse Removal to Electricity and Propane

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Moved by Roger K. Witherbee, supported by Kevin C. Przybyla, to approve a line item change in the 2010-2011 budget:

\$20.00 from Election Mileage to Clerk Mileage

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Moved by Kevin C. Przybyla, supported by Roger K. Witherbee, to approve payment of bills and payroll for March.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Clerk's Report

Reimbursement received from Alpena Public Schools for November 2, 2010, election expenses.

Krakow Township received two AccuVote units. One set of equipment has been given to the Presque Isle County Clerk to be used as a county-wide spare.

School Election – May 3, 2011

Posen Consolidated School District #9 voters will be requested to annex to the Alpena Community College District, authorize a tax levy of 2.5 mills to extend community colleges services to the Posen Consolidated School District #9, and approve a renewal millage for the Cheboygan-Otsego-Presque Isle Educational Service District of .6418 mill for 5 years. Last day of registration is April 4, 2011. Alpena Community College will hold public meetings at the Posen Community Center to discuss the annexation and millage proposals.

Since the election on May 3, 2011, will be held in Krakow Township, a meeting of the Election Commission must be held between March 24 and April 12 to appoint election inspectors.

Supervisor's Correspondence/Comments

ZBA

Supervisor Przybyla received a communication from Rick Bloxsom requesting consideration for a position on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Supervisor Przybyla commented on privacy notice information received by officials covered by the MetLife pension plan.

Zoning Administrator's Report (Dennis Fauver)

Report filed for the months of January and February.

Board of Review (Supervisor Przybyla)

One full-time member is needed to fill a position on the Board of Review for a term ending December 31, 2012. Supervisor Przybyla filed minutes of an organizational meeting held today at 6 p.m. Regular board of review dates are:

Monday, March 14, 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 15, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The inflation rate multiplier for the current year is 1.017.

Posen Area Fire Authority (Elaine M. Misiak)

The budget for 2011/2012 was adopted on March 2, 2011. The Authority receives one mill for operations. Expenses were approved in the amount of \$110,000.00 and the budget includes a capital improvement amount of \$6,500. The Authority approved the purchase of a television, flow test for air packs and fit test for masks, and bought 2 radios. The manual of procedures and guidelines is being updated by the fire chiefs.

Mr. Steve Wilson, Alpena Insurance Agency, reviewed the insurance policy in effect from January 31, 2011 to January 31, 2012 (Trident Insurance Services).

Rogers City Ambulance Authority

No report filed.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Moved by Kevin C. Przybyla, supported by Karen S. Romel, to appoint Rick Bloxsom to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term ending February 1, 2013.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Transfer Station Report (Freddie Barrett)

Monthly Report for January: Yearly Loss of \$4,434.44.

Liquor Inspector – Freddie Barrett

Mr. Barrett filed his report for March, 2011.

Planning Commission (Roger K. Witherbee)

Organizational meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Thursday, March 10, 2011, at 7 p.m. Agenda items include developing a mobile park ordinance and discussing 2011/2012 budget recommendations for the board.

Board discussion held on updating the Township Master Plan.

Treasurer Karen S. Romel

Treasurer Romel reported a revenue sharing payment of \$7,444.00 and a partial payment from the DNR of \$1,815.47.

Old Business

Michigan Townships Association Insurance

Michigan Townships Association does not handle liability insurance policies. They will only provide bids on workers' compensation policies with a beginning date of April 1.

NEW BUSINESS

March/April Meeting Dates

March 24 – Budget Workshop, 1:00 p.m.

March 31 – Proposed Property Tax Millage/Public Budget Hearing, 6:30 p.m.

March 31 – Rescheduled April Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Set Time and Place of Board of Trustee Meetings

Moved by Roger K. Witherbee, supported by Karen S. Romel, to pass Resolution #5 2010/2011 to hold 2011/2012 regular meetings of the Board of Trustees on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Krakow Township hall located at 12022 Bolton Road, Posen, Michigan.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Elaine M. Misiak, Kevin C. Przybyla, Karen S. Romel, Roger K. Witherbee

Nays: None

Settlement Information

All bills for the current year must be submitted to the clerk's office by Friday, March 18.

Presque Isle County Township Officers Association

Quarterly meeting of the PI County Township Officers Association will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2011, in the Case Township Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

Speaker: Elizabeth Stevens, Soil Conservation District (invasive plants).

Moved by Roger K. Witherbee, supported by Karen S. Romel, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Misiak, Clerk
TOWNSHIP OF KRAKOW

Minutes Approved: March 24, 2011