

KRAKOW TOWNSHIP

NOVEMBER 9, 2011

A rescheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Krakow Township was held on November 9, 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

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

Members Absent: None

Also Present: 9 Guests

Citizens' Comments (7:01 p.m. to 7:03 p.m.)

Topic: Posen Fire Authority (Air Boat and Proposed Ten-Year Millage Plan)

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Treasurer Romel informed the board that Citizens Bank is charging the township \$3.00 per month as an analysis fee.

Supervisor Przybyla reviewed the income, expenses, and budget balances. He requested a review of the amount of administrative fees budgeted for summer and winter taxes.

Moved by Kevin C. Przybyla, supported by Richard Biermacher, to

- 1) Accept the treasurer's report with a closing balance on October 31, 2011, of \$46,751.46. (The financial report is subject to audit.)
- 2) Accept the clerk's report of income, expenses and budget balances for October, minutes of the regular monthly meeting held on October 11, 2011, and approve payment of bills and payroll for November as presented.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Clerk's Report

Election Commission

Forty-three voters in Krakow Township participated in the election to appoint two (2) members to the Posen Consolidated School District No. 9 Board of Education. The expenses will be billed to the Posen School District for reimbursement.

Other Election News

Under election reforms, it is proposed to move all school board elections to the even-year November election date, and an effort be made to clean-up the State Qualified Voter File.

Supervisor's Correspondence

Census Report

Supervisor Przybyla completed a final 2010 census report for Krakow Township.

Snow Plow Bid

Supervisor Przybyla received a bid from Marvin Budnick to plow at the hall and transfer station. (See Old Business)

Supervisor's Correspondence (continued)

Sign Ordinance – Mike Vogler has been contacted to review the sign issue on 638 Highway and Highland Pines Road. We can expect to receive his opinion at the December meeting.

Other Items of Interest: The board did receive, from other sources, information on signs in general, dust control, and mineral extraction.

Hall Renovation

Hall renovation work will not be started until after December. Information on the renovation contract from the township attorney is forthcoming.

Zoning Administrator – Dennis Fauver

Mr. Fauver filed his report through November 9, 2011. No zoning activity to report. He has been notified that the sign at the corner of 638 Highway and Grand Pointe Road is in the process of being moved.

Assessing Office

Mr. Berg has notified the township that the rate of inflation for 2012 is 2.7%.

Board of Review

A Board of Review meeting will be scheduled for December. Call the assessing office for an appointment.

Posen Area Fire Department Authority (Elaine Misiak)

Clerk Misiak filed minutes of October 5, 2011. Minutes will be posted on the township website. Clerk Misiak filed a written report for the November 2nd meeting. The Authority accepted the bid of Quality Repair for annual oil changes, and approved a line item budget transfer from First Responders to Payroll/Tax Expenses. Communication problem with the water tower has been resolved. A USDA compliance report will be completed by Jim Zakshesky for the fire truck loan. A county-wide grant of \$15,000.00 is available. Discussion held on repairing the village siren. The next meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2011.

Rogers City Ambulance Authority (Richard Biermacher)

Meeting was held on October 12, 2011. The approved minutes will be posted on the township website.

Zoning Board of Appeals (Richard Biermacher)

Mr. Biermacher will schedule an organizational meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. on December 13, 2011.

Transfer Station Report (Freddie Barrett)

Mr. Barrett filed his report for the month of October. The loss to date is \$916.08. Clerk Misiak reported that Republic Services has opted to increase the basic cost of waste removal by 5%. The cost will increase from \$753.43 to \$791.10. This increase will be in effect until October 1, 2012. Our contract with Republic Service expires in October of 2013. In addition, they are allowed to charge us fuel and environmental recovery fees currently costing the township approximately \$187.00 per load.

Planning Commission – Roger K. Witherbee

Mr. Witherbee filed a draft copy of the public hearing held on October 27, 2011. The public hearing was held to address a Mobile Home Park Ordinance and a request by Mark Hansen, 7735 Grand Pointe Road, to have laying hens for personal use (Article X, Section 10.3 (P)). The request of Mr. Hansen was approved. The mobile park ordinance received no public input. The Planning Commission agreed to present the Mobile Home Park Ordinance for Township Board approval as presented at the hearing.

The Planning Commission would like to focus on updating the Master Plan. They passed a motion on October 27, 2011, to request the Township Board agree to allow them to seek professional assistance in updating the Master Plan.

Discussion held on the billing procedure involved with the public hearing request by Mark Hansen, since the hearing involved two topics. At the public hearing, Mr. Hansen made arrangements with the Planning Commission to reimburse the township for the cost of his ad and postage. The cost of the ad was unknown at the time of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Reports

No reports were filed on the Township of Excellence or by the Citizens' Advisory Committee.

Snow Removal Contracts

Bids were received from the following:

Sand Bay Marina	Transfer Station	\$60.00	2" or more when open.
		\$60.00	6" or more when open or closed
		\$30.00	Drift clean-up when open
Robert Szott	Township Hall	\$55.00	per plowing
Marvin Budnick	Township Hall and Transfer Station	\$50.00	per hour

Moved by Karen Romel, supported by Richard Biermacher, to hire Marvin Budnick to plow at the township hall and transfer station at \$50.00 a plow.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Waterskiing/Buoy Course

Mr. Howard Welsh is requesting support for a waterskiing/buoy course on Long Lake. Moved by Richard Biermacher, supported by Roger K. Witherbee, that the board has no objection to the waterskiing/buoy course on Long Lake as it is a benefit to the general public of Krakow Township and Long Lake. Motion passed by the following majority vote:

Ayes: 4

Nays: 1

Winter Newsletter

Treasurer Romel is accepting articles for the winter newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

Planning Commission – Mobile Home Park Zoning Ordinance

The Planning Commission held a public hearing October 27, 2011, on a Mobile Home Park Zoning Ordinance. They are submitting the proposed amendment to the Krakow Township Zoning Ordinance for the board's consideration.

Moved by Richard Biermacher, supported by Elaine M. Misiak, to adopt the Mobile Home Park Ordinance as prepared by the Planning Commission.

Motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Planning Commission – Updating Master Plan

The Planning Commission has requested that the board approve having professional services to help with updating the Master Plan. Their request will be discussed further at the December board meeting.

Township Website

Supervisor Przybyla will contact Jeanette to check the status of our website.

Public Comments (8:14 p.m. to 8:16 p.m.)

Topic: Tax Tribunal

Adjourn

Moved by Roger K. Witherbee, supported by Richard Biermacher, to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: All

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Misiak, Clerk
TOWNSHIP OF KRAKOW

Minutes Approved: December 13, 2011