

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Danby Township Hall, 13122 Charlotte Highway. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call Board members Present:** Supervisor Pohl, Trustee McCormack, Trustee Reisbig, and Treasurer Kolarik. **ABSENT:** Clerk Platte.

MOTION by Reisbig                      Seconded by Kolarik                      CARRIED  
Appointed McCormack as recorder for meeting's minutes.

**Approval of Minutes:**

MOTION by Reisbig                      Seconded by Pohl                      CARRIED  
Approve the August 27, 2009 and September 1, 2009 meeting minutes.

MOTION by Kolarik                      Seconded by Pohl                      CARRIED  
ABSTAINED: Reisbig and McCormack  
Approve the September 10, 2009 meeting minutes.

**Agenda:**

MOTION by Kolarik                      Seconded by Reisbig                      CARRIED  
Approve the agenda as presented.

**Communications:**

MOTION by Reisbig                      Seconded by Kolarik                      CARRIED  
Place the communications on file.

**Public Comment:**

Mr. Bill Brown stated that he is aware of a Sebewa Township resident who has signed her property up for the erection of a wind turbine. He also noted that three Portland Township people attended the public hearing on Danby Township's WECS ordinance and questioned why the Township was enacting this ordinance.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Website Update:** All members are currently working on sections of the website.

**Hall Rental Discussion:** Nothing to report at this time.

**New Business:**

**Township Fee Schedule (mining operation inspections):** There was discussion on the fees paid in connection with the yearly inspection of the Mackenzie and Miller mining operations. The annual inspection fees are \$500. The Miller mine has had two inspections and the funds in the escrow account were not sufficient to cover those costs. The Township paid the difference for these inspections. In addition, the escrow funds fell below 20% and the operations were not notified that they were required to replenish these accounts. Kolarik noted that she is unsure as to who was to track the escrow account. There was also discussion concerning inspections of pre-existing mines. McCormack will check with the Planner to see what our options are, if any,

as it relates to pre-existing mines, inspections and escrow accounts associated with those inspections.

MOTION by Kolarik                      Seconded by Reisbig                      CARRIED

Bill the Mackenzie and Miller mining operations for all costs associated with all annual inspections by the engineer and refunding of their escrow accounts.

**Township History:**

Discussion was held as to what kind of information the Board wanted in association with the Township history. These items would include photos, written history and other physical items of interest.

**5-Year Plan for Township, Goals, Etc.:**

Discussion took place regarding direction/goals that the Board would like to accomplish long range. It was decided that each board member would prepare a list of ideas/goals for the next meeting during the next 5 years. These can be short or long term goals/ideas (i.e., roads).

**Trustee Retreat at Yarrow Conference Center October 24-25 Registration & Fees:**

MOTION by Kolarik                      Seconded by Reisbig                      CARRIED

Approve the costs associated with Registration and mileage by the Trustees to the Trustee Retreat on October 24-25, 2009.

**MTA Annual Conference Hotel & Registration, Grand Rapids**

MOTION by Kolarik                      Seconded by Reisbig                      CARRIED

Approve the costs associated with Registration, meals and mileage by Board members who wish to attend the annual MTA conference in January 2010 in Grand Rapids.

**Commission and Committee Updates:**

**Road Issues** – The ICRC is requesting that the Board advise them as to how much limestone we will require next year. Supervisor Pohl will ask for a recommendation as to whether limestone should be placed in sections (roads that intersect with Charlotte Hwy.) or should Peake Road be completed. It was also noted that the black top is not being maintained as it should and Reisbig stated that he would like to see the roads brined earlier and not in September.

**Planning Commission Update:**

Next meeting will be November 18, 2009.

**Officer's Reports:**

**Fire Runs** - Treasurer Kolarik reported that there were no runs last month. This makes a total of 4 for the year 2009.

**Bills** – Treasurer Kolarik requested permission to pay bills as presented with the addition of AT&T and Michigan Chloride.

MOTION by Reisbig                      Seconded by Pohl                      CARRIED

Pay the bills as presented with the addition of AT&T and Michigan Chloride.

**Treasurer's Report** - Treasurer Kolarik presented the treasurer's report for August 31, 2009 with a balance of \$612,880.91.

**Clerk's Quarterly Report** - In light of Platte's absence, her Quarterly Report will be done at the next meeting.

**Cemetery Business**: The Sexton stated that numerous trees would need to be cut down and replaced in the spring. The grass and roads are in good shape. Reisbig stated that he received a call from a Portland Township resident complimenting the Township on how nice Danby Cemetery looks.

**Public Comment**: Pohl stated that he replaced the US flag and has a new Michigan flag on order. He also stated that the sign and brick planter in front of the building needs updating too. However, he would like to see a Township logo developed before that is done. He has been in contact with a sign business that can help with the development of such a logo. Kolarik also stated that revenue sharing is being cut and Clerk Platte is still attempting to get reimbursement from the State for interest they improperly charged on our state withholding taxes. Pohl stated that Reisbig had been told by an individual that the Mulliken Fire Department was discontinuing their first responder service. However, after attendance at the last Mulliken Fire Department meeting it was confirmed that there was no truth to this information.

**Announcements**: The next meeting is October 29, 2009.

**Adjournment**: Supervisor Pohl adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

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Pamela McCormack  
**Trustee, Recorder**