

Colfax Township Meeting
September 11, 2013
Colfax Township Hall

Meeting Called to Order at 1904 by Supervisor Evitts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Present: Supervisor Evitts, Trustee Greene, Clerk Mosher, Trustee Besey, Treasurer Draeger. Absent: None.

Agenda: Item c) Website under Unfinished Business added.

Public Comment: None.

County Commissioner's Report: Written report provided. Discussion on items, Sue Miller terminated as director, decision of Board without reason. Mark Roper resigned from Benzie Bus Board. County Board of Commissioners still reviewing resumes for administrator.

Library Report: Written report received by mail. Some progress made on new library.

Minutes: August 2013 regular meeting minutes: Motion by Greene second by Besey to approve as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: August 2013 report reviewed, Evitts motions, Mosher seconds approval as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Campground Report: Mowed all sites, large limbs across road cut up and set off to the side. Wasp nests in restrooms—Besey to get some Long Shot spray.

Clerk's Report: Discussed upcoming election, "Framework" meeting upcoming in Benzonia re: zoning, etc.

Supervisor's Report: None.

Planning and Zoning: Update on recent progress, no action.

Unfinished Business:

Blight Ordinance: Served notice to landowner, some progress made; photos taken. 9/13 is next review. Letter to be sent acknowledging progress, give another 30 days until next review.

Rear Doors: Besey to block hallway door, remove wall heater and repair wall, replace door and jamb, to bring quotes for options to next meeting.

Website: Greene met with Stamm-clean up of website, discussion re: rebuild, updates, streamlining. All communications going well. No action.

New Business:

Road Commission Brining: Discussion regarding 2nd brining. County is using a different vendor, prices increased. Discussion. Since late in season and first application still reducing dust, Evitts motions to forego second brining, Mosher seconds. No opposition, motion carries.

Road Commission has sent bill requesting \$2000.00 payment of \$3083.61 repair to Woirel Bridge, with repairs made earlier in the month. Discussion. Board concurs that this charge was not something that was agreed upon nor work requested, and maintenance of this bridge was under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission. Evitts to request Road Commission member attendance at next meeting for further discussion and explanation. No action on payment request.

Budget Review: Reviewed, no action.

Pay Bills: Motion by Evitts, 2nd by Greene to pay as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Correspondence: Reviewed. No action taken.

Extended Public Input: Evitts to check with Building Dept re: Griner property, unfinished construction with no activity in Wallin. Info to be brought back to the Board at next month's meeting. If not handled under the Building Department, Board to go to legal counsel to ensure abandoned construction is covered under Blight Ordinance.

Mosher spoke with Chuck Lurchant at the Veteran's Administration in Traverse City. He reports the VA program set up with Benzie County is going very well, very well utilized, many of the "chronic users" of the emergency fund have been set up through their benefits.

Mosher requests permission to bring in home steam cleaner to remove spots on hall carpet for minimal charge rather than hire full cleaning. Motion by Greene, second by Evitts. No opposition, motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 2022.

Next meeting: Wednesday **October 9, 2013** - 7:00pm