

Miltona Township Annual Meeting

March 9, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Tom Blank at 8:20 PM. Also present were Andy Anderson, Connie Marshall, Jerome Haggemiller, Keith Baldwin and 23 other guest. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bob Ebbenga made motion to nominate Troy Dittberner for moderator and Bob Edstrom seconded. Motion Carried.

Bob Ebbenga made motion to accept last years minutes with two corrections, remove Mary Betterman from attendance and correct the spelling of Miltona and Ebbenga, Gloria Stevenson seconded. Motion carried.

Gary Anderson gave a road report and recapped the expenditures of 2009 and identified projects as listed in the handout presented at the meeting. FEMA money was used to replace culverts washed out from the flooding, totalling \$10,034.27. Gary stated the projects to be worked on included cal-du-sac work on the south end of Irene and a few other turnarounds to make it easier for snow removal equipment to maneuver around. M/S by Bruce Lien and Merlin Beheng, motion carried.

 Jerome Haggemiller gave a fire report; there were 58 calls for the fire department and 31 were in the township, 2 fire and 2 medical. Budget for 2011 is \$498 higher than 2010 and no equipment purchases planned for 2011. M/S by Gloria Stevenson and Lori Zudma , motion carried.

Weed Report by Jerome Haggemiller, 2 primary sprays with 2 follow ups. Spent \$1,284.41 on sparying ditches, \$980.00 on mowing. RBS mowed the shoulders of the roads twice this year. M/S by Kate Baldwin and Gene Rose, motion carried.

Gopher report Keith Baldwin, \$98 paid out in 2009. 49 Gophers were turned in. Our fund balance for gophers is \$2,085.07 and represents 1.7% of our total fund balances. M/S by Terry Marshall and Lori Zmuda, motion carried.

Gary Anderson gave an Assessors report of the Township. Foreclosures for the past 3 years are on the rise in Douglas County 30-2007, 64-2008, 92-2009. One ag land was sold in 2009, 7 other sales, 4 on the lakes and 3 off. Market bears what values are. Property sales averages 18 from 2000-2008, so sales are slowing. There were 37 building permits issued for a total value of \$1,641,080. In 2010 the Limited Market Value goes away. M/S by Bob Ebbenga and Bruce Lien, motion passed.

Bond report was given by Tom Blank. The CLRSD liability of \$1,397,740.00 was paid by using \$150,000.00 of fund balance money and the balance of \$1,247,740.00 a bond was taken out. That bond was further reduced by \$99,731.11 from paid assessments and money returned from the CLRSD to leave a balance of \$1,148,008.89 to date. The special assessment will be reduced

to that amount, to date 5 parcels have fully paid off the special assessment, but will still pay their share of interest on the bond, as the bond interest is township wide, not just within the CLRSD area. M/S by Kate Baldwin and Bob Ebbenga, motion passed.

New Business

Tom Blank read an email from Bev Bales, she was unable to attend for personal reasons.

Unofficial Election Results-Gary Anderson received 45, Bob Upton 13, no vote 2. Gary Anderson retains his position as supervisor for the next three years.

Tom Blank received 56 votes, Bob Upton received 1 vote, no vote 3. Tom Blank retains his position of Clerk for the next two years.

M/S by Gene Rose and Kate Baldwin to accept the unofficial election results, motion passed.

Gloria wished to express her thank yous to the wonderful job the fire department did when lightning struck her property this year, and no bill received for the service. Bob Upton discussed the possibility of street lights on some intersections. Kate Baldwin expressed a concern that the township needs to make an effort to pursue grant money if it is available, if the board doesn't have the time, there are people available to fill out forms on behalf of the township.

Tom Blank discussed at length the variance in budget amounts and levy amounts within the fund balances. The excess funds that we have in some funds and the shortfalls in others is why we have variance in the amounts and with expending some funds on the bond, we are managing our fund balances more closely and inline with what we are doing and have planned.

Budget Setting

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| General Fund | \$ 40,000.00 | M/S by Bruce Lien and Pat Reidel, motion passed |
| Road Fund | \$130,000.00 | M/S by Kate Baldwin and Jerome Haggemiller, motion passed |
| Fire Fund | \$ 57,205.00 | M/S by Bob Ebbenga and Gloria Stevenson, motion passed |
| Chloride Fund | \$ 40,000.00 | M/S by Gary Anderson and pat Reidel, motion passed |
| Gopher Fund | \$ 100.00 | M/S by Keith Baldwin and Gloria Stevenson, motion passed |

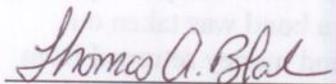
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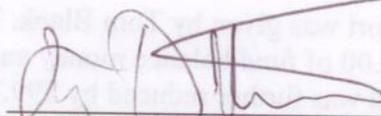
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| General Fund | \$20,000.00 | M/S by Bruce Lien and Merlin Beheng, motion passed |
| Road Fund | \$120,793.00 | M/S by Kate Baldwin and Earl Mittag, motion passed |
| Fire Fund | \$ 35,000.00 | M/S by Gary Anderson and Jerome Haggemiller, motion passed |
| Chloride Fund | \$ 55,000.00 | M/S by Pat Reidel and Jason Bous, motion passed |
| Gopher Fund | \$ 0.00 | M/S by Pat Reidel and Jerome Haggemiller, motion passed |

After much discussion the 2011 Annual Meeting set for March 8th at the firehall, beginning at approximately 8:15pm following the election, M/S by Bob Upton and Kate Baldwin, motion passed.

✓ to adjourn 

As there is no further business on the agenda a M/S by Pat Reidel and Jerome Haggemiller, motion passed.


Thomas A Blank, Clerk


Troy Dittberner, Moderator

