

March 11, 2014 @ 7:00pm
Annual Township Meeting

The annual meeting was called to order by clerk A. Anderson. Twenty nine residents signed the roster. All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Dick Kock made a motion to nominate Terry Havar as Moderator, Bev Westby seconded the motion. All in favor.

March 12, 2013 minutes were reviewed. Kris Havar made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Ron Mumm seconded. All in favor.

Dominic Henderson reviewed the Treasurer's report which was included in the public handout. Henderson highlighted the contents of the year's financials. The year began with a balance of \$668,262.17 and ended the year 2013 with a balance of \$667,352.70. Ray Holm made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Michael Blassey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Crosslake Chief of Police Bob Hartman reported on 417 calls for 2013. Cost for Crosslake police service for Mission Township is \$48,000 per year. In 2015 there will be about a 1% increase. Chief Hartman discussed the different drug issues in the township. There was a question and answer time. One of the questions dealt with plowing snow across roads. Chief Hartman stated that it was illegal to push snow across roads.

Fire Chief Randy Roach had a video presentation for the residents. The video showed Live Burn training photos and Reenactment Scene photos. The video gave a good look at the different training that the fire and rescue department goes thru. Chief Roach stated that there had been a total of 107 calls for 2013. The fire department consists of 16 Fire Fighters, 11 of which are also 1st responders. Fire department has received some FEMA grant money for the purchase of some new equipment, Jaws of Life spreader and Pump Ramp was a couple of the items that were purchased. The new engine and tender will be arriving the first part of April. The tender will replace the current one in the fleet. Chief also stated that they will be seeking funding for a Lucas II CPR Device. The total cost for a Lucas II CPR Device is around \$15,000. They have applied for grants. Chief discussed that the fire department is constantly doing training to improve response time. There was a question regarding the expected life of the new trucks arriving in April. Chief said they could last as long as 30 years. Bev Westby Thanked the fire department for their commitment to Mission Township.

Road update was given by Jim Roach. Canthook Road was paved in 2013. The plow truck has finally arrived.

Park and Recreation was reported by Michael Blassey. Blassey talked about the 4 miles of trails that are marked around the park. Last year the Centennial Celebration committee put together a Township History Board. Keep the info. coming in. New at the park is a 9- hole Disc Golf Course.

Blassey stated that he has been in contact with the company that planted the grass seed in the ball field. They will stand behind their work.

Comprehensive Plan update was given by Terry Havir. The committee consists of Bev & Ray Westby, Michael Blassey, Susan Hobbs, Ray Holm, Jimmie Roach and Martha Steele. Havir and committee members went thru the goals in the plan with a power point presentation. The highlights were: Growth & Development, Natural Resources, Recreation, Community Character, Services and Facilities. The full Comprehensive Plan is on the Township Web page (www.missiontownship.org). There was discussion about hiring a part-time maintenance person; there was also talk about having a committee for a new building. The Comp. Plan committee will be doing a Community Survey.

Old Business – Nothing

New Business – Henderson went thru the proposed levy for 2015 as recommended by the board. Bev Westby made a motion to approve the 2015 Levy, Michael Blassey seconded. Discussion – J. Roach stated that it was good to have a few residents at both the Budget meeting and the Levy meeting. Ray Holm stated that he would like to amend the motion by adding \$10 to the Park budget, motion failed due to lack of a second. Moderator called for a vote to approve the 2015 Levy as proposed. All in favor, motion carried.

2015 Tax Levy is as follows:

General Fund	\$102,750
Road & Bridge	\$ 94,250
Fire	\$ 61,350
Park	\$ 25,750
Special Levy – Fire Equipment	\$ 55,000
Special Levy – Land Acquisition	\$ 70,000
Special Levy – Law Enforcement	\$ 50,000
Total 2015 Tax Levy	\$459,100

Motion was made by Blassey to set the time of 7:00PM and location of the Township Hall for the 2015 Annual Meeting on March 10, 2015, seconded by Kris Havir. Moderator Havir entertained a Motion to recess. Motion was made by Jim Wheeler to recess the 2014 Annual Meeting, seconded by Ellen Thatcher. There was discussion regarding recessing the meeting. Moderator called for a vote to recess. All in favor. Meeting Recessed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Anderson
Clerk

Terry Havir
Moderator