

**March 10, 2015 @ 7:00pm ANNUAL MEETING**

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

Jim Roach made a motion to nominate Terry Havar as Moderator, Harold Bergstrom seconded. All were in favor.

March 11, 2014 minutes were reviewed. Chris Havar made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Harold Bergstrom seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer Henderson not present, Havar read thru the cash balance statement within the handout prepared by Henderson. The year began with \$667,352.70 and our ending balance for 2014 was \$547,601.89. Moderator Havar called for a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Bev Westby so moved, seconded by Ray Holm. Discussion - J. Roach stated that it seemed some funds were losing ground. A vote was call for by Havar, all were in favor. Motion carried.

Chief Bob Hartman with Crosslake Police Dept. reported 345 calls for 2014. Crosslake officers are in Mission Township 24 hours each week. They did a traffic evaluation at Velvet Beach Rd. and Cty. Rd. 3 between Feb. 4 and Feb. 24. There were 813 vehicles thru during this evaluation. The average speed was 47.20 mph.

Chief Randy Roach had a power point presentation. There were 113 total calls for 2014. There are currently 13 volunteer firefighters (9 - 1<sup>st</sup> Responders; 1 - Paramedic; 1 - Dispatch EMT). Within the presentation Chief Roach showed the workings and capacity of Engine I and Tender I. Chief stated they have received several grants (FEMA - \$25,000; Matching EMS - \$1,500). In 2015 they will apply for a \$25,000 grant from Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, with 20% matching funds. This grant would help with Panasonic Touchpads in the apparatus. Chief stated they have raised \$8,450 towards the Lucas II Device and will continue looking for grants for the remainder. New software recently purchased thru Image Trends allows for accurate and timely reporting. It can also track firefighter's certifications. This was paid for by the Relief Association. Chief discussion a new program called 'Knox Box'. This would allow access to your home if you are not there or can't get to the door. 'Knox Box' would be purchased by the homeowner/business and a key copy would be placed inside the apparatus. Firefighters are constantly training and finding ways to improve response times, further education and equipment as technology advances. Chief asked for questions - Harold Bergstrom asked how many of the calls were fire related? 10 calls were fire related. There was also a question about dry hydrants, the township has 4.

Road and Bridge - J. Roach gave an overview with the absence of D. Anderson. This is the first winter with the plow truck. J. Roach stated that the township would start looking at a building for the plow truck. Some of the township roads will soon need resurfacing. At the March regular meeting the Board passed Resolution No. 2015-2; Snowplowing and Sanding Policy.

Park and Recreation was reported by Carl Anderson. Anderson stated that Michael Blassey has talked with a forester regarding selective harvesting and the overall health of the land. Goals for 2015 – Expansion of the parking lot, purchase new tennis screens and take care of some patching on the tennis courts.

Comprehensive Plan was reported by Terry Havir. A committee was formed, they had sent out a survey to all property owners. Havir stated that the questions and results of the survey are located on the township web site under Planning Link (missiontownship.org). There is also a section that the committee put together 'Priorities Recommendation to Board'. The webmaster and committee are making changes to update the web site.

Old Business – Darlene Roach asked about the possibility of having a well put in on the cemetery land.

New Business - Havir asked for a motion to approve the 2016 Levy. Jim Roach stated they should compare 2015 Levy with the proposed 2016 Levy. Havir read the two out loud. There were questions regarding the increase in Road and Bridge. Jim Roach stated it was to have funds to start resurfacing roads. Marge Wheeler asked why the Fire Dept. budget had gone down. There was discussion regarding the Fire Truck payments and the budgeted amount. Discussion continued on Fire Dept. budget. Ray Holm asked Chief Roach if the Fire Dept. budget was being contested. Chief stated that he was not contesting, but they were hoping to see the truck fund increased. Havir asked for a motion, so moved by Harold Bergstrom and seconded by Dick Koch. There was additional discussion regarding Fire Dept. budget. Harold Bergstrom called for a vote to approve the 2016 Levy as proposed. Twenty nine yeas and one opposed. Motion carried.

2016 Tax Levy is as follows:	General Fund	\$225,250
	Road & Bridge	\$114,250
	Fire	\$114,100
	Park	\$ 34,250
	<b>Total 2016 Tax Levy</b>	<b>\$487,850</b>

Motion was made by Bev Westby to set the time of 7:00PM and location of the Mission Township Hall for the 2016 Annual Meeting on March 8, 2016, seconded by Carl Anderson. Motion was made by Jim Roach to recess the 2015 Annual Meeting, seconded by Jim Wheeler. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Anderson  
Clerk

Terry Havir  
Moderator