BURT TOWNSHIP Board Meeting May 6, 2010

The regular meeting of the Burt Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Harold Koviak on May 6, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Burt Township Hall, Cheboygan, Michigan.

Attendance: Harold Koviak, Shirley Reimann, Art Pillen, Gene Hodulik, Donna

McDougall **Absent:** None

Guests: James Larson, Dan Swantek, Daryl Vizina, Fred Lindroth, Gary Street, Bob

English

Agenda – Harold Koviak

Additions to Agenda:

New Business:

Recycling Report – Gene Hodulik

Daryl Visina, Cheboygan County Prosecutor's office

Public Comment – none

Minutes

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Reimann to approve the minutes of April 1, 2010 as published.

Approved

Bills

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik supported by Pillen to approve payment of the bills totaling \$22,910.33.

Approved

Old Business - None

New Business

Topinabee Fire Department

Fire Chief Bob English reported on the Topinabee Fire Dept activities and gave the annual report for fire runs in 2009 and the runs so far in 2010. Four new first medical responders and seven new firefighters have been added for a total crew of 26. He said there are actually more ambulance runs than listed on his report sheet for medical assistance.

April MTA – no attendees from Burt Township

Planning Commission Zoning Amendments

Gary Street gave an overview of the proposed zoning amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments were sent to the Cheboygan County Planning Commission for comment. Steve Schnell called Street and said the County Planning Commission had no comments.

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve the zoning amendments proposed by the Planning Commission.

Discussion - none

Roll Call Vote – Koviak, yes; Reimann, yes – Pillen – yes; Hodulik – yes; McDougall – ves

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Spring Clean Up Day - Koviak

Spring Clean Up Day will be June 19, 2010, at the East Side Transfer Station from 9 am to 4 pm.

Volunteers are needed to pick up items prior to that date.

Daryl Vizina - Prosecutor's Office - Cheboygan County

Daryl Vinzina reported on the progress of the new Drug Court. Eight people are currently going through the program with good results at minimal cost. A community page is available on the Cheboygan County website with press releases, court dockets and information on victims' rights. The court caseload is higher than last year, particularly more drug cases including methamphetamine and heroin use. A dropbox for disposal of old prescription drugs is available at the Sheriff's office.

Recycling – Hodulik

Emmet County is publishing new brochures and has new equipment up and running. Only two bins are needed now, one for containers (glass tin plastic) and one for fiber materials (cardboard). No dividers are necessary and new signs will be available in the next 2-3 weeks. More types of plastic can be recycled including the widely-used "clamshell" type for fruits. Cheboygan County will be making new brochures, too. In 2009 36,219 bags of trash were made into new products – 65% more than 2008. Cheboygan County has reduced the recycling fee for this year.

S. Extension Road to Ranch Road Road Project

Four homes, along with other vacant lots on a seasonal road, cannot get fire protection. Mullett Township approved a joint road building project with Burt Township last month. The cost is estimated at \$74,345.50 to be split between Mullett and Burt Townships. The road will only be gravel and will probably be built in the fall. A turn-around will be at the end of the road. The road will be plowed by Cheboygan County. This road will not be included in the non-motorized trail proposed by the township.

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Pillen to approve the expenditure of approximately \$37,180 to enter into a joint road building project on S. Extension Road with Mullett Township.

Discussion - None

MOTION APPROVED

Annual Report - Cheboygan Road Commission - Koviak

Distributed the annual report. Koviak said the Road Commission is proposing a 1mil increase for 5 years for the upcoming election.

Probate court – Juvenile Division Report – Koviak

Distributed for review

Dennis Lennox -

Koviak distributed a letter being sent to township/county officials for review.

Assessment Updates - Lindroth

Fred Lindroth reported that the state wants 20 percent of home assessments updated each year. His associate Denise Babbit is willing to work on this at a cost of \$16/assessment card. There are approximately 500 parcels in the township. The last assessment was done in 1989.

MOTION: Moved by Pillen, supported to Hodulik to approve the expenditure of \$4,000.00 to update 250 assessments.

MOTION APPROVED

MOTION: Moved by Hodulik, supported by Reimann to adjourn. **MOTION APPROVED**

Adjourned at 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donna McDougall, Clerk