

The Cormorant Township Board meeting was held on Wednesday, **September 13th, 2016**, at 7:00 pm, at the Cormorant Community Center. Board members present were: Supervisors John Buhaug, Tim Erickson, and Steve Sorenson, Treasurer Susie Braseth and Clerk Claudia Hanson.

- A. **Call to Order** by Chairman Erickson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- B. **Minutes** from the August 30th variance and regular meeting were approved, with a motion by Steve, seconded by John. Carried 3-0. The bills/claims were signed.
- C. **New Business**

- 1) **Glen Sitz, Showteam** – Glen gave Board update on another successful season with well attended events. He also gave updated list on new members. Board appreciated and thanked Glen and the entire team for their hard work. Steve motioned, seconded by Tim, to give the Showteam members a thank you present by issuing \$25 gift card for the single members of the Team and \$50 gift card for married couples on the Show Team. Carried 3-0.
- 2) **Craig Fontaine, Disaster Declaration** – Email was received from Craig if we had any damage from recent storms. Board reported no damage.

D. **Old Business**

- 1) **Newsletter** – Jo asked for the list of people involved in the Mill Pond bridge work to acknowledge their work in the October issue. Also she will inquire if a Halloween Party will be planned. Board gave other ideas to add to the newsletter.
- 2) **Mill Pond** – Riprap around pond is almost finished. Board would still like the bridge to be stained and to add solar lights to the bridge posts. Ila recommended to have the bridge wood sanded before stained as there are some rough spots. Road ditch by the pond is not quite ready to mow.
- 3) **Playground** – Board discussed again and John will fix broken pipe on one of the playground structures. Jane will contact the Lions president to have the Lions fix up the rest of the playground issues.

E. Recycling

- 1) **Odd items dumped** – Tim advised there was carpeting, screen door and grill left at one of the sites.

F. Roads

- 1) **Trees in Ideal Beach Road** – Greg Anderson requested permission to have trees removed in the Ideal Beach Road right of way. There is part of the road/easement heading northwest off of Ideal Beach Lane where trees are in the way of large equipment to drive in to remove an old house. There is one large tree and stump in particular that the easement has been going around tree. Also he is asking for more trees to be removed at the corner of Ideal Beach Lane and Ideal Beach Road. Board would like to inspect the easement and trees in question, and also ask the property owners off the road/easement for their opinions of removing such large trees.
- 2) **Mowing** – Joe Crabtree gave update and will do another round of mowing before winter. He mentioned Maple Hill Lane has a lot of dead trees down in the ditches.
- 3) **Mailbox swing away post set** – More requests have been made.

G) Other Business

- 1) **Building permits** – The following permits were reviewed:
 - a) Boat Properties, Inc. 13730 Thunderbolt Ranch Rd., Sect. 33 (new large storage shed)
 - b) Burner, Terry and Gail, 13844 Co. Hwy. 4., Middle Cormorant Lake, Sect. 21 (shed)
 - c) Heitkamp, Francis and Geralyn, 12984 Ideal Beach Rd, Upper Cormorant Lake, Sect. 17 (new house)
 - d) Hurley, James, 14846 Birch Pt., Upper Cormorant Lake, Sect. 9 (new house, deck)
 - e) Larson, Steve & Sherri, 14999 Dahlgren Beach Rd., Lake Ida, Sect. 27 (new house, garage)
 - f) Shaw, Barry, 15730 Snowshoe Beach Rd., Big Cormorant Lake, Sect. 23 (used relocate house)
 - g) Ulschmid, Jeffrey & Diane, 13850 115th Street, Sect. 28 (new mobile house)
- 2) **Storm damage claim** – Roof will still be inspected.
- 3) **Duke in the News** – We have still been getting inquiries on Duke, which Tammy Odegaard has been handling.
- 4) **Mileage Certification** – This is due for completion in November.

5) **Miscellaneous mail** – Board reviewed other insignificant mail.

H) **Treasurer’s Report** - Board reviewed claims and payments for the prior month.

Available upon request.

Beginning Balance	\$ 405,170.20
Receipts	+ \$ 7,387.95
Disbursements	- \$ 141,688.30
Ending checking acct. balance	<u>\$ 481,949.65</u>

Investment beginning balance	\$211,034.99
Investment purchased	-0-
Investment transferred/sold	-0-
Investment interest	<u>\$44.81</u>
Investment ending balance	<u>\$211,079.80</u>

The Treasurer’s Report was approved with a motion by Tim, seconded by John. Carried 3-0.

I) **Adjournment** – The township meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. with a motion by Tim, seconded by John. Carried 3-0. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Hanson, Clerk