

AUGUST 2007

The regular meeting of the Heath Township Board was held on August 13, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heath Township Hall.

Supervisor Jones called the meeting to order and Lindholm offered opening prayer. The previous month's minutes were approved as read.

County Commissioner, Dean Kapenga, gave his monthly report. There are two sites which the county is now looking at for a jail.

Lynn Bright with Burnham & Flower presented to the board a township retirement plan. Discussion followed and a motion was made by Boerman and supported by Schipper to accept their proposal and to adopt the pension program for the five board members through Nationwide with a 15% annual contribution. All ayes. Motion carried.

The zoning text amendments which the Planning Commission approved at their May 24, 2007 meeting were now approved by the county. A motion was made by Schipper and supported by Boerman to approve these text changes. All ayes. Motion carried. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for August 23 and a ZBA meeting is August 22.

The township audit was held and there are issues arising from the handling of the recreation program funds. Sheila has talked to Rec. Director, B.J. Nykamp about the possibility of the school taking over these programs as it is becoming too much of a burden on the township and the treasurer. He feels the school may be willing to do this. A motion was made by Meiste and supported by Boerman to have Sheila draft a letter from the board and ask B.J. to go to the September school board meeting as the township representative. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ron informed the township that the board may possible have recycling bids by September's meeting. PCI has been following up on complaints by citizens on residents who are not following local and state zoning codes and ordinances.

The township bills were presented. A motion was made by Boerman and supported by Lindholm to approve the payment of these. All ayes. Motion carried.

The fire department bills were presented. A motion was made by Boerman and supported by Schipper to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Meiste and supported by Boerman to adjourn at 8:10. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sheila Meiste, Clerk