

## **DECEMBER 2008**

The regular meeting of the Heath Township Board was held on December 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heath Township Hall.

Supervisor Jones called the meeting to order and Schipper offered opening prayer. Lindholm was absent. The previous months minutes were approved.

Hilda updated the board on the planning commission meeting. The following text changes were discussed and noted for final approval. Amending Section 11.12 "Signs." Discussion followed and a motion was made by Schipper and supported by Meiste to approve the change. All ayes. Motion carried. They also looked at Section 19.02 "Scope", regarding site plans. A motion was made by Meiste and supported by Boerman to approve. All ayes. Motion carried. At the May meeting Section 11.19, "Private Roads" was changed to read "All private roads shall have a name and street sign." A motion was made by Meiste and supported by Boerman to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

At the March meeting the planning commission will look at cleaning up the language on side, back and rear yards. The four mandatory meeting dates in 2009 will be March 19, May 21, August 20 and October 15. The planning commission needs to hire a planner to update the township master plan. Mark Sissens has worked with many rural townships and is highly recommended. A motion was made by Schipper and supported by Meiste to give approval to the planning commission to contract with him. All ayes. Motion carried.

A letter was presented from Hamilton Community Schools requesting the township collect summer taxes. A motion was made by Boerman and supported by Schipper to accept this agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sheila questioned if the board of review will be meeting in December, since there is no posting noticed. Ron informed her that they are meeting in his office but to contact our assessor as to the date, time and posting information. She also questioned if they should go to an upcoming training sessions and when was the last time they have gone.

It was noted from the Allegan County Planning Commission meeting minutes in November that on June 15, 2009 a signal would be installed by the Rabbit River Bridge for construction repair on the bridge.

The Allegan County Primary Road Resurfacing program for our township and area no. 2 will be held on Monday, January 19 at 7:00 PM at the road commission's boardroom. Ron will be attending.

A letter was received from the Allegan Library Board requesting funding. Discussion followed and the board feels more residents use the Herrick Library in Holland and future funding may be required from them.

The annual inter-local fireboard meeting will be held Tuesday, December 16 at 7:30 a.m.

A resident is requesting the snow blowing on the sidewalks be done differently. Ron will be contacting Nate about this. She also questioned fixing a pothole on 134<sup>th</sup> Ave. The Allegan County Road Commission can be contacted about this on their web site.

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

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

A motion was made by Boerman and supported by Meiste to adjourn at 7:35. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sheila Meiste,  
Clerk