

## **JUNE 2009**

The regular meeting of the Heath Township Board was held on June 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heath Township Hall. The budget hearing was held before this.

Supervisor Jones called the meeting to order. The previous months minutes were approved.

County Commissioner, Dean Kapenga, reported on a grant the Allegan County Transportation has received. This service helps senior citizens or those disabled with transportation to doctor's appointments or other needs. If anyone has questions on this service, he would like them to feel free to contact him on his cell phone at 616-218-2599. The county would love to see more people using these services.

After reviewing the budget earlier, a motion was made by Boer man and supported by Lindholm to approve the 2009-2010 budget with a change to add a line item for cable TV franchise and increase the revenue by \$20,000 for a total of \$902,500.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

Ron submitted the prices on the two bids received for a new parking area north of the township offices. Al's Excavating price was \$31,117.50 and R.P. Septic & Excavating was \$28,700.00. A motion was made by Schipper and supported by Boerman to award the bid to R.P. Septic. Jeff Lampen questioned if we would need to add more lights to this driveway. Ron will be getting prices on this. Sheila questioned if we could pave the drive between the school and the township and who owns this or is responsible for paving it. Ron will also check into this.

Ron next submitted the bids on remodeling of the concession stand and restrooms. This was spearheaded through the Lions Club and Brad Osborne. Jurries Bros. price was \$40,900, Heneveld Homes \$42,037 and Meiste Construction \$47,930. Sheila mentioned her husband had stated the specs were not very clear for bidding this and she wanted to make sure the township would not be responsible for any changes or extra's the final bidder may have overlooked. Ron assured her these prices are firm. A motion was made by Schipper and supported by Boerman to accept the low bid from Jurries. Bros. Meiste abstained from voting. All ayes. Motion carried. Ron will be getting stamped engineering prints done and the work will most likely start mid-July.

A few residents questioned what could be done about picnic tables under the pavilion being overturned and if there is a way people can rent this and have the restrooms opened. They also questioned the hot food which is being served from the concession stand and if it was passing health inspections. The board reminded them that the recreation department and the concession stand are now being run through the school. The board was not aware hot food was being served. Jeff Lampen questioned if the school could possibly use a mobil food license or would this be put out for bids. We will be checking with the school on this and Ron stated in the future we might have to look at putting a committee together to look into ideas for the parks and recreation and how this could be run between the school and the township.

Hilda stated the next planning commission meeting will be held on June 18 at 7:00.

Jeff Lampen approached the board with a letter he had received from the state noting areas that needed compliance before a liquor license would be issued. One of them was the resolution from the township. He requested the board take out the KJ Land Co. name and omit the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraphs. Sheila will contact our lawyer about this.

Misti noted on Memorial Day people had parked in the new cemetery area we had just plotted even though she had asked Michelle Timmer to place signs or rope this off asking people not to. A resident noted that signs are needed by the front drive stating no artificial flowers are allowed. Right now, there are only two in the back. Sheila stated originally signs were placed by the front drive but must have been stolen or removed. Sheila will look at getting new signs made. Ron is getting a price on putting a new well in the cemetery as the old one has dried up.

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

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

A motion was made by Schipper and supported by Boerman to adjourn at 8:05. All ayes. Motion carried.

Sheila Meiste,  
Clerk