Township of Lake

Huron County, Michigan November 17, 2008

Supervisor Kelterborn called the regular meeting of the Lake Township Board to order at 7:30 P.M. Present were Kelterborn, Fischer, McCallum, Hyzer and Remer along with 22 guests.

Minutes of the October 20, 2008 meeting were approved upon motion by Hyzer, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report approved upon motion by Remer, seconded by Hyzer. Motion carried.

Agenda approved with the addition of correspondence from Kathleen Bolton upon motion by Remer, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Letter from FEMA regarding Floodplain Ordinance read. Pigeon River Inter-County Drain Notice of Hearing on December 8, 2008 read. Thumb Electric Cooperative Notice of Public Hearing on December 11, 2008 read. Letter from M-DOT reading M-25 designation as a Heritage Route read. Resignation letter from Kathleen Bolton, Office Secretary, read.

Public Comments:

Lou Colletta asked whether the Road Commission normally advises the Township of road construction projects on State highways. Work was recently done along M-25 installing drain culverts to draining runoff from the road to the beach. Kelterborn did not know why the Township was not informed and suggested the Township Trustees look into that at the annual meeting with the Road Commission in February, 2009.

New Business:

Budget Amendment. Motion by Remer to transfer \$400.00 from Election Publications to Election Salaries, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Service Charge/Haz-Mat Ordinance: Remer has the following questions:

If a nonresident driving through the CAFPA area gets hit by a resident and the jaws of life are required as well as handling of a fuel spill, are they charged \$500.00 for each situation?

Is it morally right to be charging people to save their lives?

The ordinance provides for two chances for malicious destruction or false alarm without penalty. In these cases, why not charge them the first time?

If these charges are going to be applied for fire protection, shouldn't it be done for the police, road commission or any service that comes out?

If I am driving and call in a downed power line, will I be charged for calling it in?

Hyzer stated he looked it over and doesn't agree with it.

Fischer stated that most of it is already in effect and didn't see anything wrong with it.

Kelterborn stated it is basically an amendment to the current service fee ordinance in effect.

Hyzer recommended tabling until the Trustees could look into the issue further. Motion by Hyzer to table, seconded by Remer. Motion carried.

FEMA Ordinance: FEMA Ordinance, 2008-03 read. Motion by McCallum to adopt ordinance as read. Hyzer asked what the ordinance covers. Tory Geilhart, Building Inspector and Floodplain Manager, explained that FEMA updated the old Floodplain Maps and the ordinance. The purpose is to protect people who live along in floodplains, such as areas along drains and rivers, who want to purchase flood insurance. FEMA offers lower rates since flood insurance can be very costly. Flood insurance is not mandatory, the Township cannot make someone purchase it. Kelterborn stated that it is a service the Township can provide to its residents so they can participate. Motion seconded by Fischer and carried.

Resolution to Manage Floodplain Development for the National Flood Insurance Program read. Roll call vote: All ayes.

Resignation: Motion by Remer to accept resignation of Kathleen Bolton as Office Secretary, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried.

Motion by Fischer to run a help wanted ad in the paper to fill the secretary position, seconded by Hyzer. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Tim Lalley read a letter regarding Clay Kelterborn.

Payment of Bills: Motion by Remer to pay bills, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried.

Motion by Hyzer to adjourn, seconded by Fischer. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.
Valerie McCallum, Clerk
Approved at a Township Board meeting held on the day of December, 2008.
Robert T. Smith, Supervisor