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January 13, 2009
(All Meetings are recorded)

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with no members absent:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Gabriel Caplett, Bill Kinjorski, Teresa Bertoss, Emily Whittaker, John Etelamaki, Joe Wasie, Julie Wasie, Lorraine Palmer, Michael Palmer, Tom Prophet, Matt Eliason, Raymond Kenny, Pete Koski Jr., Don Osmund, Linda Osmund, Vincent Matthias, Paul Mattila, Martin Nappuk, John Allen Lacrosse, Berle Lapin, Don Mottich, Richard Hendickson, Steve Ronimeek, Chad Glisson, Gerald Ehdahl, Dan Royce, Darral Royce, Judy Plattenburg, Ken Irwin, Vincent Matthews, Nathan Makkuka, Carol Mackey, Terry Alderton, Jerry Matthews, Tom Warner, Steven Cevigney, Jim Lindholm, Bryan Johnson, Bill Robson and Karl P. Numinen.
Motion was made by Worth to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2008 regular board meeting. It was seconded by Koski and agreed by all.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the agenda and she moved Carlisle Sanitation under New Business to 7a after Treasurer's Report. It was second by Marline Worth and all agreed by saying yes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Berle Lapin asked if he could speak under EMS Board & Fire Department report. Joe Derocha stated that he could.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Jill seconded it and all were in agreement.

Jeanne Carlisle requested we leave the added fuel charge on, due to the fact Carlisle Sanitation did go for sometime with the price of gas higher without charging.
Motion was made by Jill Rankinen and was second by Jackie Koski to leave as is for now. All were in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marline Worth went to the West End Landfill Meeting.
Joe Derocha went to the Road Commission Meeting.
Jill Rankinen went to the Library meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:
On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **EMS Board Report** - Next meeting is January 20, 2009. LaPin and Koski recommended the fireboard meets every month even through the holidays.
B. **Planning Commission Report** – No meeting in December.
C. **Road & Condominium Ordinance adopt to Zoning** – Sam stated he would like to postpone till next month. Joe would like to see it looked at and get the ordinance cleaned up.
Motion to take it up at the next meeting was made by Mackey and seconded by Rankinen and all said aye.
D. **Helen Lake County Road** – Derocha meet with Jim Iwaniki. Joe also called the Helen Lake Ass and asked them to point out the needed areas. Then they will meet with Iwaniki to get work done on the needed areas.
E. **Heritage Recreation Authority-** Jackie reported on what the Association wanted from us. All Townships involved are donating $1000.00 to the Heritage Trail. Champion and Michigamme Townships have not been invited in with the Heritage Trail system. Heritage Trail has applied for a 1.3 million grant. Working on getting O'Brien's trail area open. Derocha feels their wording needs to be corrected so it would include all areas of uses. Derocha feels we should not sign contract or give them money that would be used in Marquette area instead of here in our own. Heritage Trail will be putting out another vote in 2010. Derocha feels they should come here to and talk with us. Jackie will talk to them and invite them to come to a meeting.
Motion was made by Barbara and seconded by Jill to have Jackie go back and explain our feelings about the contract and invite the Heritage Recreation Authority to come and talk with us about the contact.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Humboldt Mine – Kennecott-** Jon Cherry manager for the Humboldt the Eagle and Mine project. Mr. Cherry gave a slide presentation on what is happening at the mine and how the rock will be processed. There will be no smelting. **The following people asked questions:**

Joe Derocha:

What was the status of the ongoing lawsuits? One has been won, two are coming to a end soon.
Will Rio Tinto stay on schedule? Yes,
Will your proposed road schedule stay on schedule? We have looked and found different routes. Have spent 2 years to own the land the road will be going on.
Derocha stated that the Marquette County Erosion permit is costing Kennecott $15,600.00. A $48,000.00 bond had to be meet. It shows that

if this were a small company they would never be able to afford it. Humboldt had a $60.00 fee we charged them for zoning permit.
Ron Norkola - Wolf Lake Rd. – Asked what they were going to do with there water? No water will get out of the pit. It will also go through a water plant and then to the Escanaba River.
Lorraine Palmer – Where would we be today if they had given as much trouble to the Blueberry Mine and others mines in the past.
Teresa Bertossi – Marquette Co – City of Marquette. What chemicals are you using in the flotation part of the operations? What health effects this may cause to the public? Mercury? We have the air, water and health permits that have everything noted. Mr. Cherry would be happy to set with anyone and show him or her the permits and what is involved.
Dave Rice – Republic – Do you have plans to open 3 to 4 more plants in the UP? We would like to and the Humboldt could handle them.
Richard Hendrickson – Marquette – I was involved with the writing of the rules – the 6 32 Law. 13 days of working on this. There are a lot of issues that are under the table. Questions whether Kennecott can do this and it be safe for long-term concern?
Ken Irwin – Humboldt Township resident – In the past there was no rules for the mines. Ken stated the other mines that were at Humboldt did not have rules, he even turned them in. Cherry and the company are following the rules and wished Jon the best of luck.
Michael Palmer – Asked about the different names of the mines.
Ann Bradley – Skandia – doesn't feel this is a laughing matter. There is man her tonight that is worried about his water. This is apart of the UP way of life
Jackie Koski – Mining is a part of the UP way of life.
Nathan Makkuka – Mining is the best things that ever happen to the UP.
Mike Martin – Republic – Talked about Kennecott is a company to trust. In the UP since 1936 over 124 mines have been established. Sulfide Mine has been here before but lets due it safe.
Gabriel Caplett – Skandia – Wanted Mr. Cherry to describe the difference in sulfite mining.
Jerry Plattenburg – Humboldt miner. There has been the same rock as what Kennecott is going to mine.
Ann Bradley – Wanted to know how long theses jobs are going to be here? Cherry stated: 1 – 2 years constructions. 7 – 8 of mining the Eagle project and 1 –2 years of closing the mine. Very optimistic that there will be more mines we will continue working.
Tom Warner – Humboldt – How will the rail work? Cherry stated : It would run right into the mine.
Joe Wasie – Humboldt – What about the site map, Is there going to be a overpass over 41? Have you looked at the rail system instead of the overpass? Cherry stated: Grade is too steep to rail all the way.
Jim Lindholm – Humboldt – What about the Gold interest and other minerals? It would take much to replace for different minerals. No seined will be used.
Joe Wasie – How much land do you have? Cherry stated that they have purchased 500,000 Acres of land.

Matt Eliason – Humboldt – If the mine doesn't go through where will we go? It is great to have Kennecott here.

B. **Planning Commission Annual Report** –Sam read the annual report. It is on file.
C. **Carlisle Sanitation**– Moved to 7a. After the treasurer report.
D. **Board Salaries** - Derocha stated that the board does not need to get a raise as his personal opinion. Motion was made by Mackey and seconded by Worth to not go for a raise this year. All stated aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Teresa Bertossi - Kennecott is not a good neighbor.
Jackie Koski – resents Teresa saying the bad things that are happening in Big Bay area are due to Kennecott.
Barb Bradley – Skandia – Kennecott have two lawsuits on human rights volitions. Please look at what they are really about.
Richard Hendrickson – Against the mine coming in.
Lorraine Palmer – Sure things have been bad in the past and that the mining company is doing all they can do to make it safe.
Jay Matthews – Has had family in the mines and they have live good longs lives.
Joe Derocha - Not to debate views. Was surprised how much they have to pay to Marquette County.

Meeting was adjourned at 8.53 pm

Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

Jill Rankinen

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
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February 9, 2009
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Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with one (1) member absent:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk - Absent
Deputy Clerk – Jill Valero sitting in
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Don Britton, Carol Fulsher, Jim Thomas, Joe Wasie, Lorraine Palmer, Michael Palmer, Tom Prophet, Pete Koski Jr., Berle Lapin, Gerald Plattenburg, Jim Lindholm, Gary Laitala.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2009 regular board meeting, second by Barb Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Barb Mackey to approve the agenda, second by Marline Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Berle Lapin asked if he could speak regarding the light at the Champion Fire Hall. Joe Derocha approved and placed Berle 11f under old business.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Jackie Koski attended Heritage Trail Association meeting.
Barb attended the EMS Board meeting.
Joe Derocha was unable to attend Road Commission meeting.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:
The board did not approve seven (7) checks: #7602 Unemployment Insurance; #7603 Jill Rankinen (mileage not approved); #7604 Joseph Derocha (added meeting and mileage); #7605 Marlene Worth (added meeting that was not attended); #7606 (omitted $64 for meeting & mileage); #7607 Sanford Pesola (omitted 12 hours, check paid but remaining time should be added to next month); #7012 Jill Valero (withholdings needed on Web site hours)
Jackie requested dates on trips for all timecards.
Joe recommended signatures
Jackie questioned the need to plow the basketball court.

Motion to remove 7 checks from payments until they are corrected was made by Jackie, second by Barb. Motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:
On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **EMS Board Report** - Next meeting is February 24, 2009.
B. **Planning Commission Report** – Tom Prophet reported that the Planning Commission worked on issues regarding the Road & Condominium ordinance.
Sanford Pesola read opinion of MTA regarding public hearings: No public hearing is necessary to adopt a stand-alone ordinance; however; it is necessary if an ordinance is made a part of the zoning ordinance. A separate committee has been formed to develop a Master Plan and Sanford invites any citizen of Humboldt Township to attend these meetings. Joe would like to have the Road & Condominium Ordinance prepared to become part of the zoning ordinance.
Motion to prepare ordinance to become part of zoning ordinance made by Barb Mackey and second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.
C. **Helen Lake County Road** – Joe Derocha will be unable to meet with the Helen Lake Association at the Negaunee Eagles club on February 18, 2009. Jackie will attend.
D. **The Heritage Recreation Authority-** Don Britton, Carol Fulsher and Jim Thomas represented The Heritage Recreation Authority. Jim stated that the fee for any township that would like to join the Heritage Trail is now $500.00. Carol stated that Champion and Michigamme Townships have been invited to join in the trail system, but declined. Jim and Carol stated that the initial Township fee to support the trail system would yield a much larger return than costs sustained by the township. Also the monies will not be earmarked for any specific or localized area of trail. The Heritage Trail Assoc. will be requesting another .2-mil vote in 2010. The HRA assured the board that the trails would be multi-use to include ATV and snowmobiles according to their Master Plan. Sanford stated that these plans can be

changed and questioned their assurance. Jim states that the HRA will not interfere with any economic plans of the township.

Motion was made to table the discussion and Jackie to continue attending the Heritage Trail Association meetings by Marlene Worth and second by Barbara.

Jackie cannot attend the next meeting; Joe will sit in for her.

E. **DEQ- Kennecott** Public hearing will begin on February 18, with an informal meeting at 1:00 pm, a formal meeting from 2:15 pm –4:45 pm. A second session will have the informal meeting at 6:00 pm and a formal meeting from 7:15 pm – 9:30 pm. Will get 50 more chairs from Champion. Joe will invite Prusi and Mike Lahti.

F. **Berle Lapin** – The charge to install the light at the driveway of Humboldt/Champion Fire Hall is $1,833.02 and will cost $22.73 monthly to operate. Vote will occur on Tuesday, February 10, 2009. Jackie Adair resigned as director, but is still on EMS. Gary Laitala said that the pump approved on Nov. 20, 2008 is still not fixed.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **ELF** – Joe participated in a conference call that included Levin, Stabenow, Pellow, Powers, Kippola, Stupak and a representative from Granholm's office. We were informed that the GSA (General Services Administration) will head the transition of the ELF site from the control of the Federal Government. The GSA was unaware of the township's interest in the property, as they never received papers notifying them to that effect. All files sent to them are missing and we have 30 days to resend. They want reassurance of our plan for successful transition of property. They want to restrict any release of assets for_____or mentioned later 3 years. GSA wants fire departments and homeland security to have access to the 60,000 gal underground water supply on the site for emergencies. Special legislation may have to be enacted instead of the 40-year-old existing laws. We could move the maintenance garage from the site and use for emergency vehicles. Only organization that could receive the property ahead of a government entity would be a homeless shelter.

Motion to continue pursuing ELF property with no strings attached made by Barb, second by Marlene. Motion approved unanimously.

B. **2009 Budget** Separate checks for mileage is not law but accountant's preference. The deputy clerk budget should equal deputy treasurer's. Accountability to budget is necessary. A closer look is necessary to ascertain what the 2009 – 2010 budget should look like.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm

Submitted by: Jill Valero

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March 9, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with one member absent:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski - Absent
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Joe Wasie, Berle Lapin, Jerry Plattenburg, Carol Mackey, Chad Filizette, Gary Laitala and Sam Pesola.

Motion was made by Marlene Worth to approve the minutes of the February regular board meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the agenda. It was second by Barbara Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:

911- Feb 19 – Discussion on Radio system update, strategic planning car computers for all official police cars, and access to dog license information. Approval was given to give Marquette City $15,000 for a payment toward the cost of a generator for back up. Coast guard needs radios also.

EMS/Fire – two bills were sent out for Fire/EMS. A Pancake breakfast benefit will be held for a Republic EMS person in the month of April. She has cancer, so watch for posters.

MCTA – Guest speaker was from the State crime Lab. MTCA is sending a letter to the Governor.

Joe Derocha attended the Road Commission Meeting and several more that will be talked about on the agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE:
On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. EMS Board Report – Given under committee reposts/meetings.

B. **Planning Commission Report** – Sam discussed the master plan and how it was coming along. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to order the maps that are needed for the sum of $930 from Thyra Karlstrom, Planner at Marquette County Resource Management Dept and to budget the money needed for this. Seconded by Barbara Mackey and motion approved unanimously.**

C. Helen Lake County Road- Garbage– Derocha meet with Jim Iwaniki. Joe stated that he has agreed with the county to do road repair and the township will put $5000 per year into the road until it is up to grade. Barbara has had complaints about the garbage not being picked up for the last three weeks. Barbara called Carlisle's and they stated, the gas prices are too high, they are trying to save. We looked at the contract and it states they need to pick it up weekly. We are also paying additional money for gas prices even though gas prices are at a lower rate now. (Take a look at the January Meeting and the request at that point). Joe stated he would call and talk with the Carlisles. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to look at putting up garbage shed out at Helen Lake. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.**

D. **Heritage Recreation Authority- no repost**

E. **Elf Site/Crime Lab/ 911/Letters** – Joe has been speaking with the Crime Lab and the 911 dispatch about use of the Elf site. Things look very positive. Joe had letters he gave each board member. They are on file. Later this week Joe will be going out with the Crime Lab to look at the Elf site. More update next month.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **UP Propane** – A local Humboldt township business has just bought out Maki's propane service. Joe feels we should do business locally. Barbara agreed also. **Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to get a letter to LaCourt and request what the cost would be from May 1, 2009 to May 10, 2010. Marline seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.**
2. **NICE Schools** – Michael Haines was unable to make it this meeting but will be at the next board meeting. The school will have a millage vote on May 5, 2009. We have an article on the bond and the and why a millage and what it will be used for.
3. **Street Light Republic** – A Street light is need turning into Republic from M 95 onto County Rd FLK. Jill will call We Energies and get a quote.
4. **Ron Norkoli** – Letter of resignation – **Jill Rankinen made a motion to write a letter to thank him for his years of service. Seconded by Barbara. Motion approved unanimously.**
5. **Microphone for hall** – Second microphone is needed for the hall. Should have bought the second one when we bought the first. Would have been cheaper. **Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to purchase the Microphone for $442 and Marline Worth seconded. Motion approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

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ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 28, 2009
6:30 PM

Attendance: Audrey Ruspakka and Marvin Ruspakka
Supervisor Derocha called the Annual Meeting to Order.
The Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: One members of the board was absent – Jacqueline Koski.
Approval of Minutes M/S/C approved minutes (Barb/Marline)
Approval of Agenda - M/S/C approved agenda (Marline/Marvin)
Balance of the Budget - Motion to approve the budget (Barbara/Marline):
In 2008-2009 our budget was $176,053.60.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business

a. M/S/C to keep the same Auditor- Anderson, Tackman & Company, CPA's (Barb/Jill).
b. M/S/C to keep the same Attorney Murphy & Clark (Barb/Jill.
c. M/S/C to approve the following lending institutions: (Jill/Barb).
   Peninsula Bank of Ishpeming
   Negaunee 1st National
   Ishpeming Federal Community Credit Union
   Edward D. Jones
d. M/S/C to change the mileage to 58.5 cents per mile. The federal is up to 58.5 cents per mile (Barb/Marline). 5 yes and 1 no.
e. M/S/C to keep the Change all hourly pay to $10.00 per hour (Barb/Marline). M/S/C Keep all salaries the same and to change the Board of Review and Zoning Administrator to $13.00. The Assessor yearly income will go up to $5600.00 per year. (Barb/Marline).
f. M/S/C to keep Administration fees at 1% and penalties at 3 %. (Barb/Jill)
g. M/S/C --The Truth and Taxation – Resolution was presented earlier.
h. M/S/C to keep all fees the same, but add Fee for park use to be $100.00 Deposit and a $100 user fee. Also add if zoning permit fee is not paid to add a violation charge of five (5) times the normal fee. (Barb/Marline)
i. **Budget Hearing** -was presented by the Supervisor.

Total budget is **$258,445.00** the 2009 – 2010.

Public Comment:
None
No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10.

Jill Rankinen, Humboldt Township Clerk

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April 13, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Joe Wasie, Berle Lapin, Tom Prophet, Carol Mackey, John Etelamaki, Michael Haynes, Donna Champion, Brad Quayle and Sam Pesola.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the February regular board meeting. Marline seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the agenda. It was second by Barbara Mackey.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Berle LaPin stated the Fire Department fire truck needs work on the radiator, which is costing around $700.00 to repair the leak. The pump work has been completed by Hakala Well Drilling costing $3157.00.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Jill Rankinen seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:
911-
EMS/Fire –. A Pancake breakfast benefit will be held for a Republic EMS person on April 22, 2009. She has cancer, so watch for posters.
MCTA – banquet is coming up and Truth in Taxation meeting
Elf Meeting
Jill went to the following:
Library meeting and Truth in Taxation meeting
Joe went to the following:
Marquette Co. Supervisor meeting
Crime Lab Meeting
Elf Tour and Truth inTaxation
Marline went to the following
West Marquette Co Sanitation Authority meeting and Truth and Taxation

CORRESPONDENCE:
On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **EMS Board Report – Given under committee reposts/meetings.**

B. **Planning Commission Report/anti skid/ appointment-** Joe recommend Joe Wasie to serve on the Planning Commission. **Motion was made by Barbara Mackey and seconded by Jackie with all saying aye.**

C. **Helen lake / Garbage/contract/shed bids – Motion was made by Jackie and seconded by Jill to get bids in for a garbage shed possible two for Helen Lake area.** Jill is to write a letter to Carlisle Sanitation about picking up the garbage weekend unless we say otherwise.

D. **Heritage Recreation Authority** – Jackie was out of town and had missed the last meeting.

E. **Elf Site/Crime Lab/ letter of support/legislators & senate – Jill made a motion to back Joe Derocha when he goes to the legislators and be able to reduce the price to the crime lab as he see fit. Barbara Mackey seconded with all saying aye.**

F. **Bids for Propane Contract – Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to send bids to propane dealers in the area, Jill seconded it with all saying aye.** Jill will send out the bid.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **NICE Schools** – Michael Haynes came to speak about the millage that will be voted on May 5, 2009. It will generate enough money to buy 6 new buses, 400 new computers and phones for the classroom at Westwood High School. He asked everyone to support this millage.

B. **Budget 2009 to 2010- Motion was made by Marline and seconded by Barbara to pass the budget as presented. Motion approved unanimously.**

C. **Park Rental Fees - Motion made by Barbara Mackey and seconded by Marline Worth to charge $100 Deposit and $100 for use of the park. Motion approved unanimously.**

D. **DEQ Hearings** – Received a letter stating the hearings for Kennecott Mill will be held here at the township hall.

E. **Fishing Derby/fish order – Motion was made by Jill Rankinen and seconded by Barbara Mackey to order the same as we did last year.. Motion approved unanimously.**

F. **Library Committee** – Looking for two representatives to be on their board. Jill Rankinen and Jacqueline Koski will be the alternative. **Marline made the motion and Barbara seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Meeting was adjourned at 9 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

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Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

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Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
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June 8, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with one (1) member absent:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk - Absent (Jill Rankinen)
Deputy Clerk – Jill Valero sitting in
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Dan Harrington, Sanford Pesola, Richard Waisanen

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2009 regular board meeting, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the agenda, second by Marline Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

Motion was made by Marlene Worth to approve the Treasurer's report as presented, second by Jackie Koski. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Barb Mackey reported that the 911 EMS Board meeting was cancelled.
Barb Mackey reported on the Marquette county Township Association.
Joe Derocha reported on the Road Commission meeting.
Jackie Koski reported on the Heritage Trail Association (11d)

APPROVAL OF BILLS:
Again Joe Derocha stated that all timecards should be correct, signed and presented punctually to be paid.
The Library Association sent a membership application to be completed and returned, the township will be billed $299 for membership through the year 2010.

Jackie Koski motioned to join the Library Association, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

Bills Approved by Jackie Koski, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Fishing Derby** – Donations totaling $1,308.13 have been received so far. The Mudmen donated 100 Personal Pan Pizzas from Pizza Hut, Jim Douglas has hotdogs, buns, ice cream, freezers, chips; Volwerths donated bratworst,
Sambo will handle advertising through Gail at the Mining Journal. He talked to Earl Numinen and will place announcements on Sunny101. Joey will handle Channels 6 & 10

b. **Planning Commission Report** – Sanford Pesola read a letter from Tierra at the Resource Management regarding soil and public land use.
The Planning Commission will schedule a night for a work group to focus on the legal changes in the Master Plan (Joe Wassie, Tom Prophet, Sambo Pesola, Karl Numinen). It was recommended that they contact other Master Plan groups to gather more insight.
The ordinances will be finalized in June and all ordinances will become a part of the Zoning Ordinance except the Cemetery Ordinance. A public hearing will need to be scheduled in July in order to adopt the zoning ordinances.
Sanford Pesola reports that the antiskid strips for the bridge have arrived and the project will require himself one more person with a screw gun and a little spare time.

c. **Helen Lake Garbage Shed Contract Bid** – One bid was received. FinnCraft Builders of Negaunee submitted a bid for $4,800 for 2 sheds. **Motion to approve bid was made by Jackie Koski, second by Marlene. Approved unanimously**.

d. **The Heritage Recreation Authority Support Funds** - Jackie Koski attended Heritage Trail Association meeting on May 27, 2009. Much use is made of the trail and Kurt is working on continuing the trail to Van Riper through Champion. Survey will be conducted regarding actual use of trail. Revise grant for $15,000 with DNR, $10,000 matching funds already obtained. In treasury is $4,556.05.

e. **Elf Site/Crime Lab update** – The ELF site will not be used as the Crime Lab. The state has declined interest in the site; we will need to submit alternative use plans and the federal government through the GSA will determine the future of the site. Motion to continue actions to obtain title of the ELF site was made by Jackie Koski, second by Marlene Worth. Motion approved unanimously.

f. **Bids for propane contract/ sealed bids** - Three bids were received:
Ferrill Gas $1.399 gallon/ $1.099 first fill
Hot Flame (Semco) $1.399 gallon
U.P. Propane $1.44 gallon, no tank fee

Barbara Mackie made motion to accept bid by U.P. Propane; second by Jackie Koski. Motion approved unanimously. Dan Harrington of U.P. Propane will contact current provider to coordinate swap.

g. **Fire Board adopt Budget** – Jackie Koski requests a letter of authority as representative of Humboldt Township so that she may receive all necessary information from the Board. She also states that monthly reports are arriving as promised, but believes that we should be notified of all nonessential purchases prior to spending.

h. **Ball Field Update/ Food and beverage stand** – Sanford Pesola reports that the bleachers, benches and dugouts have been replaced. Pictures of improvements should be sent to Risk Management at the end of the month. Ruth is interested in running the concession stand. **After discussion of food licensing motion was made by Jackie Koski to allow Ruth to operate the stand separate from the township; second by Barb Mackie. Approved unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

a. **Prisoner Work Force –** The crew will work on the ball diamond; spread top soil at the dam and cemetery; and help with the roofs on the dugouts. If time allows they can cut brush at fish Lake
b. **Private Road issue at Granit Lake** – Humboldt Township will not pay for attorney fees regarding this issue. We will offer use of the hall for their meetings.
c. **Park upgrades –** Recommended that we purchase steel tables to replace old picnic tables. **Motion to purchase tables was made by Barb Mackey, second by Marlene Worth. Approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

Submitted by: Jill Valero

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
Marline Worth, Trustee

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July 13, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Carol Mackey, Dave Wiljanen and Shelly E. Koski.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2009 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the agenda. It was second by Barbara Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Marline seconded it. Motion approved unanimously. There was a request to Barb to get the figures of the Revenue sharing lost this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Barbara Mackey went to the Fire/EMS and 911. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen and** seconded by Joe Derocha to purchase a vital sign monitor for $1969.00. Bryan and Lois Ogea were donating the balance of $1000. The Motion approved unanimously. Request for Barb to check with the Fire EMS board if they are getting more then one price on product they want to purchase.
Jackie Koski went to the Heritage Trail meeting.
Marline went to the Marquette West End Sanitation Meeting.
Jill went to the Library meeting.
Joseph Derocha went to the Planning Commission Meeting.

Motion was made by Marline to approve the bills. It was second by Jackie Koski. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDANCE
On file. Highlights:

A. CUPPAD – Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to renew membership and pay $100.00 membership fee. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was unanimously.

B. Marquette County Road Commission – Letter stating graveling work on county Road FFG & County Road FNN from 2009 through 2011. **Motion was made by Jackie Koski not to exceed the $5000.00 the township has to pay each year for 3 years. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.**

C. Anderson, Tackman & Company, P. L. C. – Letter to each of the Board members requesting any hint of fraud within our board. **Motion by Barbara Mackey and supported by Jackie Koski to have the CPA to work with Jill to get books working right. Motion approved unanimously**.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. ELF- Nothing new

B. Planning commission Report/ Ordnances Date – Discussion of the Ordnances and question when they would be complete. It has been a long time with no movement forward.

C. Heritage Recreation Authority/ Lake Superior Partnership Dues – Motion was made by Jackie Koski and seconded by Barbara to join the partnership if under $300.00. Motion approved unanimously. Jill will check and find out what the dues are. **Amy Clinkner has asked Joe Derocha to set on the board.**

D. Ball Field Rental Little League – Shelly Koski asked permission to have the ball field on Tuesday nights from June 1, 2010 through July 1, 2010. **Motion was made by Jackie Koski and seconded by Barbara Mackey to allow the Little League have use of the ball field (June 1 through July 1, 2010, Tuesday only) with no charge. Shelly Koski will be in charge and also have use of the concession stand at no charge. Motion approved unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CUPPAD - Read Letter under Correspondence

B. Marquette Co. Road Commission Contracts – Read Letter under Correspondence

C. CPA Anderson Tackman - Read Letter under Correspondence

D. Rail Grade Reuse to Mill - Barbara Mackey made a motion with Jill Rankinen seconding it to have Joe get a resolution together requesting CCI to turn over the railroad grade from the Humboldt Mine to the Wisconsin Central train lines so that rail could be put back in place so that the Kennecott Mill can go into production. With this happening it will bring up to 100 jobs to the area. Motion approved unanimously.

E. Cemetery Fencing – Motion was made by Barbara Mackey and seconded by Jill Rankinen to replace old fencing on the north side of the cemetery. Mike Rankinen and Dave Wiljanen will get a crew together in September to put up the chain link fence that we have stored in the garage. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

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Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
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Aug 10, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Gerry Plattenberg, Steve Sevegney, Tom Warner, Dave Wiljanen, Tom Prophet and Sam Pesola.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the July regular board meeting. Barbara seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the agenda. It was second by Marline Worth.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:
911
EMS/Fire
Jill went to the following:
Library meeting
Jackie Koski went to the following:
Library meeting and Heritage Trail meeting
Marline went to the following
West Marquette Co Sanitation Authority meeting and Truth and Taxation
Joe went to the following:
Helen Lake Association Meeting

Motion was made by Marline Worth to approve the bills to be paid as presented. Jackie Koski seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:
On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **ELF** – Joe is still working on trying to obtain rights for the Elf site.
B. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances Date** – We have 3 new ordinances the planning Commission is working on. The attorney has looked them over and they are looking good.
C. **Rail Road condemnation** – Cleveland Cliffs is holding up the railway for Kennecott at the Old Humboldt Mine. Joe is working on a way to get this railway for Humboldt.
D. **Cemetery Fencing** – Sometime in September or October will get a crew together to work on the fencing.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CPA Anderson Tackman Report- Joe thought they were going to be here tonight. Will try and get them here for next months meeting. **Motion was made to by Barbara Mackey to table this until we can have Anders & Tackman here. Seconded by Jackie Koski. Motion approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
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September 14, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Carol Mackey, Michael Grentz, Mark Hannula, Sulo Isotalo, Tom Prophet and Sam Pesola.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2009 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to approve the agenda for September 14, 2009. It was second by Barbara Mackey.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented (Total assets is $396,403.44). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:
911
EMS/Fire
Jill went to the following:
District Library meeting
Jackie Koski went to the following:
Library meeting and Heritage Trail meeting

Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to approve the bills (Checks # 7892 – 7818 totaling $10,136.48) to be paid as presented. Jackie Koski seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:
On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **ELF** – Joe has been working on a FEMA grant with Kitty Kososki. Joe has received a call from FEMA. Things may happen fast. They really would like to get rid of the Elf site before winter.
B. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances Date** – No meeting in August 2009. Will be working on the master plan and the ordinances this month.

C. **Rail Road condemnation/Economic Development/Budget Revision Legal Fees** – Joe is working to getting the railroad grade into the Humboldt townships name. He may need use of our attorney and would like to make a line idem on our Budget for $7,500 for fees occurring for this railroad grade. **Motion was made by Barb Mackey and seconded by Marline Worth. Motion approved unanimously**.

D. **Cemetery Fencing** – Later this month the date and time for the construction of the new fence and removal of the old fence will be announced.

E. **Lake Superior Partnership Membership Dues – Motion was made by Jackie Koski to pay $648 to Lake Superior Partnership for they full service. Barbara Mackey seconded it and it was approved unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Hannula Insurance/ park/ball field up dates** – Mark Hannula was here to answer any question we may have about our Insurance. Joe would like to see more liability and requested cost for 3 and 4 million dollars of coverage. It was also stated that our Assessor Howard Robare was an employee of Humboldt Township.

B. **CPA Anderson Tackman Report-** The Auditor recommends we invest $100,000. **Motion was made by Jackie Koski to have $100,000 invested into a CD and seconded by Jill Rankinen with all approving of it unanimously.** Financial highlights are as follows:

- Net assets for the Township as a whole increased by $63,217 or 12 percent as a result of this year's operations.
- During the year, the Township had expenses for governmental activities that were $183,768 and revenues of $246,985.
- The General Fund reported a net fund balance of $299,136. Net change in fund balance was $69,825 higher than the forecasted decrease of $33,000.

Internal control was lacking in several areas. The auditor will be coming on October 12, 2009 to go over with Jill Rankinen and show her the way things should be done.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to have Anderson, Tackman & Company come in and work with Jill Rankinen to adopt better procedures on the way internal control is set. Seconded by Barbara Mackey and unanimously approved.

C. **Brownfield Development/LSP/Marquette Co** – Lois Ellis will be helping Joe with the Brownfield Issue. Need to get documents to the board and until this is done there isn't much to talk about.

D. **May 26th 2005 DEQ Hydrologic Survey/Letter** –After reading this letter a **motion was made by Barbara Mackey to rosined on letter wrote May 26th 2005 and to write a letter about this decision to all parties that had received this original letter. Seconded by Jackie Koski and was unanimously approved.**

E. **Marquette County Road Signs Repair List?** Received a list from Marquette County Road Commission on road signs that need repair. If anyone see signs not up please let the township know so they can be fixed or replaced.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
Marline Worth, Trustee

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October 12, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Carol Mackey, Gerry Plattenberg, Lorraine Palmer, Michael Palmer, John Etelamaki and Sam Pesola.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2009 regular board meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to approve the agenda for October 12, 2009. It was second by Barbara Mackey.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Lorraine Palmer received a letter from MDOT on work they will be doing in the area. Didn't give exactly what was being worked on.

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the Treasurer's report as presented (Total assets is $363,022.45). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Jackie Koski went to the following:
Library meeting
Heritage Trail meeting – Need volunteers for tearing out 1 mile of track.
MTCA
Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:
911
MTCA
Marline Worth went to the following meetings:
West Marquette County Landfill Meeting
Jill Rankinen went to the following:
Clerks Meeting
District Library meeting
Joseph Derocha went to the following meeting:
Supervisor Meeting
MTCA
CCI / Grade Issue
Congressman
Marquette County Road Commission

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to approve the bills (Checks # 7919 –7959 totaling $11,540.74) to be paid as presented. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **ELF** – We should hear something by October 15, 2009. A call will be made that day to see if we win the FEMA Grant we applied for.
B. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances Date** – They have been working on the 600-foot tower by the Cutting Cage, making sure everything is in order. Working on Master Plan.
C. **Rail Road Legal Fees Line Item– That** has been put into place on the budget.
D. **Cemetery Fencing** – The weather hasn't been good enough to get a group together.
E. **Anderson Tackman Report** - Jill Rankinen and Michael Grentz from Anderson & Tackman worked all day on getting some of the QuickBooks Pro updated. A lot have been deleted from too many accounts that were not being used. Still have some more work to do on the overall program and making it much friendlier to us.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. A Lindberg and Sons Inc. -This was a letter requesting support for the construction of Woodland Road. **Motion was made by Jackie Koski to write up a resolution of support for the Woodland Road. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Question was brought up if Chickens were legal in a zoning of R1.
Question was bought up if Mr. Edwards on County Road had acquired a permit to build the building that is up in his yard. And if not will he be fine.
Sambo question on the amount of people in Humboldt that is getting garbage picked up. For the amount we are paying it must be up in the 90's of 20% of Humboldts population. Jill will get the letter out to Humboldt and we will look into it.

None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
Marline Worth, Trustee

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November 9, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Carol Mackey, Joseph Wasie, Lorraine Palmer, Michael Palmer, John Etelamaki and Sam Pesola.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2009 regular board meeting. Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to approve the agenda for November 9, 2009. It was second by Jill Rankinen.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
Lorraine Palmer stated the letter she had received from DEQ was a survey where she had to record her travels for a 24-hour period and also Michael's. Lorraine also questioned why we had a election at the hall. We informed her that the election was a school election for a board member on the Republic Michigamme School Board.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented (Total assets is $362,422.00). Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Jackie Koski went to the following:
Library meeting
Heritage Trail meeting
MTCA

Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:
911
MTCA
Champion – Humboldt EMS & Fire Meeting – Pressure relief valve needs to be replaced on the 99 GMC 750 gallon Truck. **Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to check locally for the 3 fire rechargeable Extinguisher that needs to be replaced. Jill Rankinen seconded it. Motion approved unanimously**.

Jill Rankinen went to the following:
Clerks Meeting
District Library meeting

Joseph Derocha went to the following meeting:
Road Commission

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to approve the bills (Checks # 7956 – 9989 totaling $8,954.42) to be paid as presented. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **ELF** – Things are going slow. GSA wants to make sure what we are going to do with it.

B. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances Date – Motion was made by Marline Worth to accept the Sexually Explicit Entertainment & Private Road Requirements ordinances. Seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion approved unanimously.**

C. **Rail Road Grade** – Waiting to be contacted.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Rio Tinto Community Advisory Group** – Meeting schedule for Friday, December 11, 2009 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Country Village Banquet and Conference Center.

B. **Elevator** – November 3, 2009 the state inspector was here to check the elevator. We are not in compliance with state regulations. Wright and Filippis have a guy from down state to do the inspections that are required by law. **Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to check locally for a tester and inspector for the elevator. Marline Worth seconded it. There were 4 ayes and 1 no.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen

Jill Rankinen, Clerk
Jacqueline Koski, Trustee

Joseph Derocha, Supervisor

Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
Marline Worth, Trustee

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December 14, 2009

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, with all members present:

Supervisor – Joseph Derocha
Treasurer – Barbara Mackey
Clerk – Jill Rankinen
Trustee – Jacqueline Koski
Trustee – Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Carol Mackey, Bill Robson and Tom Prophet.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to "APPROVE THE MINUTES" of the November 9, 2009 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to "APPROVE THE AGENDA" for December 14, 2009. It was second by Jill Rankinen. Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the "TREASURE REPORT" as presented (Total assets is $355,032.23). Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Jackie Koski went to the following:

Library meeting – Jackie reported how a district library would not be fair to the tax payers in our Township. We would be paying so much more per number of people compared to Ishpeming City and other townships.

Heritage Trail meeting – Jackie reported how we will not have a say about our trail in Humboldt Township.

Barbara Mackey went to the following meetings:

911 – Central Dispatch. -

Champion Humboldt Fire and EMS – Nothing has been said about the purchase of a new vehicle. Joe will have more on it in this next month.

Jill Rankinen went to the following meeting:

District Library meeting - Report on going to the District Library in Iron River. Looking at ways to make a District Library look good to the public.

Marline Worth went to the following meeting:

Marquette County Landfill - Asphalt is shut down for the time being.

Joseph Derocha went to the following meeting:

Kennecott meeting – There will be a meeting with the Planning Commission on January 25, 2010 at 7 pm. Kennecott will update the committee and public on the construction plans. Lindberg will also be there to update on road plans.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to "APPROVE THE BILLS" (Checks # 7990 – 8017 totaling $7915.37) to be paid as presented. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

On file.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **ELF –** Things are going slow. GSA wants to make sure what we are going to do with it. It has been 4 months since Joe has talked with them. Joes feels we should be hearing from them very soon. Secretary of the Navy is pushing GSA to get rid of it.
B. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances Date** – Still working on the last ordinance which in the one on Condos.
C. **Rail Road Grade** –Joe hasn't heard from anyone at CCI. Joe will contact Don Gallagher and see if Humboldt Township and CCI can come up with a agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Trail Ordinance** - The board discussed the railroad grade going to Republic and how we will not have any say over it with what is allowed to travel on it. **Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to adopt a trail fee ordinance and have the planning commission start working on it as soon as possible. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion approved unanimously.**
B. **Kennecott Update** – Kennecott will be starting the water treatment in April 2010. Mr. Cherry will be at the January 25, 2010 Planning Commission Meeting to talk about all that will be moving forward with their plans.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm
Submitted by: Jill Rankinen