JILL RANKINEN, Clerk JOSEPH DEROCHA, Supervisor BARBARA MACKEY, Treasurer
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January 13, 2014

Supervisor Derocha call the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken.

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

ATTENDANCE: Joseph Wasie, John Etelamaki, Jim Douglas, David Wiljanen, Keith Norkoli, Mark Heinlein, Gary Laitala, Jim & Jean Carlisle, & Gerald Plattenberg.

Motion by Marline Worth and supported by Barbara Mackie to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2013 regular board meeting minutes. **Motion approved**.

Motion by Jill Rankinen and supported by Jackie Koski to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion approved.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Keith Norkoli asked why the outside faucet is not able to be used. He stated that several times it has been frozen.

Motion by Jackie Koski and supported by Jill Rankinen to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. **Motion approved**.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Barbara Mackey gave a report on Central Dispatch. She has been reappointed by the MCTA to represent the townships for three years.
Jacqueline Koski gave a report on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting.
Marline Worth attended the WCMSA meeting.
Joe Derocha will give his reports under new business.

Motion by Jacqueline Koski and supported by Barbara Mackey to pay the monthly bills which consist of Ck.#93595-#93667 for a total of $163,914.40. Jill asked for approval to pay Mark Heinlein the first installment of his contract as Township Administrator. Jackie made a motion for payment of Ck. #93628 for $18,750.00 and Barbara supported. **Motion approved**.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. ELF – Joe reported that the pump has been replaced and Lundin Mining is in place.
B. Mark is working in a new agreement with Lundin Mining on rental for an additional four (4) years, possibly more. Joe is receiving updates by email.

C. PLANNING COMMISSION – Joe asked Joe Wasie if we have received an update on the maps. The County will provide what maps are needed.
D. FIRE/EMS – Joe said that he met with a Champion Twp. Official informally to discuss
E. options for termination of the joint Fire/EMS agreement. The information will be forwarded to their Champion Township Board. Both township attorneys are working on finding an mediator to help with dissolution. A let for our attorney will be sent to Champion Township with a list of three (3) mediators..
F. TRAIL ORDINANCE – Information in continually being obtained and the Planning Commission is working on it.
G. RAIL GRADE – Work is done and the deed has been filed. Humboldt Township will receive a payment from Lundin Mining of $35,000 per year, with a yearly increase of 5% per lease agreement as long as tracks are in placer.
H. The new fire hall will be available in a few days for cleaning, painting, and new doors to be installed.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. There will be an organizational meeting held on Monday, January 20th at 7PM at the Humboldt Township Hall. This will consist of Supervisor Joe Derocha, Administrator Mark Heinlein, Fire Chief Jim Carlisle and several township residents who have expressed interest in joining the new department.
B. Jerry Plattenberg verbally gave his resignation as a member of the Humboldt Township Planning Commission effective January 31, 2014. The Humboldt Township expressed their appreciation for his years of dedication and service.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm

Submitted by:

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Jacqueline Koski
Humboldt Township Deputy Clerk

JILL RANKINEN, Clerk

JOSEPH DEROCHA, Supervisor

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February 10, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all members present.

Supervior - Joseph Derocha
Clerk - Jill Rankinen
Treasurer - Barbara Mackey
Trustee - Jacqueline Koski
Trustee - Marline Worth

ATTENDANCE: Jim Douglas, Jim & Jeanne Carlisle, Ronald Norkoli, John Worth, Gerald Plattenberg, David Wiljanen, Tom Myers of U.P. North Country ATV, Carol Fulsher, Al Reynolds, Rob Katona of MDNR Marquette, Jim Thomas of IOHTA, Don Britton of IOHTA, Joseph Wasie, John Etelamaki, Bill Robson and Mark Heinlein.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE January 13, 2014 regular meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously. Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE February 3, 2014 special meeting. Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the February 10 2014 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Not to exceed five minutes per person)
Ronald Norkoli and Gerald Plattenberg asked if he could speak under New Business – ATV Tom Meyer

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $407,510.25). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting.
Joseph Derocha reported under line items
Jill Rankinen went to the no meetings
Marline Worth went to the West Marquette County Sanitation meeting.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* (CHECKS #93618 –#93702) to be paid as presented totaling $40,567.52. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: On file

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Elf – Everything is going smoothly out at the Elf site

b. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances/Hooper –** CUPPAD will have the ordinance ready by the 17th of February and it should be completed in June or July.

c. **Fire/EMS/**Murphy/Negotiation team **– A date will be announced when the two board will meet and work on dissolving the Humboldt/**Champion fire department.

d. **Trail Ordinance –** Still working on this.

e. **Rail Grade/Maintain/deed –** Everything has been finalized on the grade surface rights and Joseph Derocha will have more information to come.

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NEW BUSINESS:

a. **ATV Tom Meyer – Tom's ATV group is the Maintenance Grant sponsor for the Republic-Champion ORV Route, and he addressed the issue of full-size vehicles that are presently using the ATV designated trails. He asked for Board support in approving the Director's Order which would prevent full-size vehicles from using the trail. Jackie Koski made a motion to table the issue until the board can look into it further. Carole Fulsher of the Iron Ore Heritage Trail will sent information to us for review. Jill Rankinen supported the motion. Motion approved with 4 yes and one nay.**

b. A Planning Commission seats – Joseph Derocha made a motion to appoint Jackie Koski to fill the seat as the Board representative. This position was vacated by Joe Derocha. Joe also appointed Mr. Jim Douglas as a new planning commission member to replace Mr. Jerry Plattenberg. Jill Rankinen seconded will all member approving unanimously.

c. **Election Date – The date of Aug 5, 2014 was approved to hold an election for renewal millage for Sanitation.**

d. **NICE School District – Joseph Derocha made a motion to support the NICE School District to apply for a grant through CCI/Lundin to assist in their plans to build an Arts and Culture Center. Barbara Mackey supported the motion. Motion approved with 4 yes and one nay.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 7:55pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk Joseph Derocha, Supervisor Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
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March 10, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with one member absent.

Supervior - Joseph Derocha
Clerk - Jill Rankinen
Treasurer - Barbara Mackey
Trustee - Jacqueline Koski
Trustee - Marline Worth- absent

ATTENDANCE: David Wiljanen, Tom Myers of U.P. North Country ATV, Rob Katona of MDNR Marquette, Joseph Wasie, Tom Prophet, Bill Robson and Mark Heinlein.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE February 10, 2014 regular meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the March 10, 2014 regular board meeting. Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person)
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $494,943.69). Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting, MTCA
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting & MTCA
Joseph Derocha reported under line items
Jill Rankinen went to the Special Meeting and MTCA meeting.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* (CHECKS #93703 –#93748) to be paid as presented totaling $54,232.85. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: On file

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Elf – Everything is going smoothly out at the Elf site

b. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances/Hooper –** CUPPAD has sent the ordinance to the planning commission. Special meeting is Wednesday, March 12, 2014 to go over ordinance.
The Planning Commission would like to get together with Joe Derocha and get ideas from Joe as to what he would like to see in the trial. Ordinance
Fire/EMS/Murphy/Negotiation team – A date will be announced when the two board will meet and work on dissolving the Humboldt/Champion fire department. Mark Heinlein will have all the information ready this next week for the Champion Fire department.

c. **Trail Ordinance –** Will be meeting with Joe.

d. **Rail Grade/Maintain/deed –** Everything has been finalized on the grade surface rights and things should be signed in a few weeks.

e. ATV – Tom Meyer – Vote for restrictions on community trail – Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to restrict vehicles and hunting on the Heritage trail system throughout Humboldt Township. There was no support by the board, motion died.

f. Election – Sanitation millage/date/language – Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to support the language of the millage. Seconded was made by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.

g. **NICE School District – Arts and Cultural Center Resolution –** Motion had been passed at the February 10, 2014, just need to sign the resolution and get it sent out.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. **LSCP Dues – Motion was made by Joseph Derocha to pay the dues of $648.00. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Roll call vote:**

Joseph Derocha	**Aye**
Barbara Mackey	**Aye**
Jacqueline Koski	**Nay**
Jill Rankinen	**Aye**

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 7:48pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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Jacqueline Koski, Trustee Marline Worth, Trustee

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April 14, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

Supervior - Joseph Derocha
Clerk - Jill Rankinen
Treasurer - Barbara Mackey
Trustee - Jacqueline Koski
Trustee - Marline Worth-

ATTENDANCE: David Wiljanen, Joseph Wasie, Tom Prophet, Jim Douglas and Mark Heinlein.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE March 10, 2014 regular meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the April 14, 2014 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person)
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $423,635.05). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting, MTCA
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting & MTCA
Joseph Derocha reported under line items
Jill Rankinen went to the Special Meeting and MTCA meeting.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* (CHECKS #93733 –#93819) to be paid as presented totaling $102,086.89. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: On file

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Elf –** Everything is going smoothly out at the Elf site. Had a couple of problems during this cold freeze.
b. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances/Hooper –**The Planning Commission needs to get together with Joe Derocha and get ideas from Joe as to what he would like to see in the trial ordinance.
c. **Fire/EMS/Murphy/Negotiation team –** A date has been set for the negotiation teams to meet.
d. **Trail Ordinance –** Will be meeting with Joe.
e. **Rail Grade contract - Lundin–** Joseph Derocha will be meeting with Lundin CEO this week. Joseph Derocha asked Jacqueline Koski to have the Heritage Trail minutes be emailed to him.
f. **Mutual aid Agreements -** Joseph Derocha has met with Champion, Republic, Ishpeming Township, Michigamme-Spurr. As of this date we do have agreements with Ishpeming Township and Republic.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. **Employment policy – Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to except the new Employment policy. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.**
b. **Time sheet and mileage report – Motion was made by Jill Rankinen and seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 7:34pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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May 12, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

Supervior - Joseph Derocha
Clerk - Jill Rankinen
Treasurer - Barbara Mackey
Trustee - Jacqueline Koski
Trustee - Marline Worth-

ATTENDANCE: David Wiljanen, Joseph Wasie, Jim Carlisle, Mike Farris, J. Farris and Mark Heinlein.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE April 14, 2014 regular meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the May 12, 2014 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person)
Gary Laitala asked if he was allowed to stop at Champion Fire Hall to pick up a truck on his way to a fire. Joe asked Mark to get a letter from Champion Township concerning this matter. Motion made by Marline to stop the meeting at 7pm until Mark could present copies of a letter that was faxed from Champion Township. Barbara supported. Motion was approved unanimously. The meeting resumed at 7:11pm. The letter stated that the Champion Township Board met on April 14, 2014, and the fire department mutual aid was reviewed. Champion was not inclined to sign the agreement as presented. Their primary concern was coverage areas were not the same. Specifically items 1 and 2: ("normally" provides fire protection" versus "firefighting jurisdiction"). Secondly, we would like to inform you of our intent to change our EMS coverage license area to reflect Champion Township only. We will be applying for a new license after our next scheduled board meeting. This letter was written on April 24, 2014 and signed by Supervisor Tina Koski. Supervisor Derocha stated that he had received mutual aid agreements from all other surrounding townships except Champion Township.

Jim Carlisle mentioned that Champion Township has asked if two roll-offs for recycling could be placed in Humboldt Township because of lack of room for the units in Champion.

.Mot**ion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $388,449.95). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously**.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting, MTCA
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting & MTCA
Joseph Derocha reported under line items
Jill Rankinen went to the Special Meeting and MTCA meeting.
Marline Worth went to the landfill meeting.

Motion was made by M to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* (CHECKS #93733 – #93819) to be paid as presented totaling $102,086.89. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

a. **LSCP**
b. **MCRC dust control agreement – Motion made by Jill and supported by Barbara to sign agreement. Motion carried.**
c. **MCRC crack & chip seal**
d. **CUPPAD – Trail**
e. **HFD regular meeting minutes for 4/1/14 on file.**

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Elf – Mark reported materials are going in and out by Lundin Mining without problems. They are upgrading electricity for the next three days. It is being kept at current load.
b. **Planning Commission Report/Ordinances – Joe Wasie met with CUPPAD and should have revision by the next meeting on June 2nd. Joe discussed cost of new zoning maps and they will cost $280. Jill motioned and Barbara supported. Motion carried.**
c. Fire/EMS/Murphy/Negotiation team – A special board meeting was held on to approve the final settlement figures for withdrawal from the Champion/Humboldt Fire Department. **Motion by Jackie to accept the agreement for the second vote and supported by Jill. Roll call vote. 5 ayes; 0 nays. Settlement should be done by June 30, 2014 with approval from Champion Township Board.**
d. **Trail Ordinance –** Joe Wasie asked when Supervisor Derocha wants in an ordinance, and would like him to attend a meeting..
e. Rail Grade contract - Lundin–Mutual aid Agreements - Republic, Ishpeming Township, Michigamme-Spurr have agreed with mutual aid. As of this date we do have an agreement with Champion Township.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Board Action – Property – Motion was made by Jill and supported by Barbara to purchase the Tower Lake Property from the Marquette County Land Bank for approximately $8,000. Roll call vote was unanimous. 5 ayes; 0 nays.

b. **Sanitation Millage – Jill made motion and supported by Barbara to approve 1.5 mills for sanitation from 2014-2018 all inclusive. This will generate approximately $41,250.**
c. **Elevator – Joe made a motion to have elevator repaired and brought up to code. Barbara supported. Motion was approved.**
d. **Safety Traffic Signs on CR601 – Lundin Mining asked for township support in having safety lights installed on entrance/exit on CR 601. Motion was made by Jackie and supported by Barbara to approve installation of lights. Motion carried.**
e. **2014-15 Budget – Barbara motioned and supported by Jill to review and approve yearly budget at the June 9, 2014 meeting.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

Memorial event is a pancake breakfast on May 26th from 8:30am until 10:30am. Veteran recognition will also take place.
The Annual Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, June 7, 2014.
Annual Spring Clean Up will be on Friday & Saturday, July 11th & 12th.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 8:17pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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June 9, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

Supervior - Joseph Derocha
Clerk - Jill Rankinen
Treasurer - Barbara Mackey
Trustee - Jacqueline Koski
Trustee - Marline Worth-

ATTENDANCE: David Wiljanen, Joseph Wasie, Jeanie Carlisle, Tom Prophet, Mark Hamel and Mark Heinlein.

Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE May 12, 2014 regular meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the June 9, 2014 regular board meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person)
None

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $388,449.95). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting & MTCA
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting & MTCA
Joseph Derocha reported under line items
Jill Rankinen went to the MTCA meeting.
Marline Worth went to the landfill meeting MTCA

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* (CHECKS #93874 –#93930) to be paid as presented totaling $45,988.91. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

a. **MCSWMA- via WMCSA RE: Recycling & related items**
b. **HFD Regular Meeting Minutes 4/1/2014**
c. **Fire Fighters of Humboldt – establishment and Formation**
d. **Official ballot Proof – Sanitation Millage**
e. **Champion Township Letter of 5/14/14 RE: Dissolution/Settlement**
f. **MI_DEQ Eagle Mine Permit 14-52-0019-P**
g. **MCRC Seasonal Load and Speed restrictions**
h. **CUPPAD – Republic Trailhead**
i. **Iron Ore Heritage Trail related communications**

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Trail Ordinance –** Joe Wasie asked when Supervisor Derocha wants in this trail ordinance.. Would like Joe Derocha to attend a meeting..
b. **Rail Grade contract – Lundin -** Just waiting for signatures.
c. Elevator – We are in compliance. **Motion was made by Jackie Koski to sign up for a 3 year contract for $1870 with Bach out of Escanaba. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.**
d. **Elf –** Mark Heinlein reported that all is going well out at Elf. In July they will be working on the power again.
e. **Planning Commission Report –** Joe Wasie reported that ordinances should be done by the end of the month. There will be a meeting of the planning commission next Monday night. Invited Joe Derocha to attend so that they can also work on the trail ordinance.
f. **Fire/EMS Settlement –** Audit is done and we should be getting the check from Champion in a week or so.
g. **Tower Lake Property –** Property is being paid this meeting so should have deed by next meeting.
h. **Recycling –** Champion would like us to put the dumpster for recycling in our area here at the town hall. This was tabled.
i. **Safety Traffic signs Cr 601 –** They are starting to work on signs on M95 and Cr 601 should be soon**.**
j. **2013 Budget – Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to table this . There is still more work to be done on the budget. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

a. **AT & T Metro Act right of Way Permit Extension –** Needs to be signed and sent back to At & t.
b. Planning Commission Applications – Motion was made to post the planning commission job by Jill Rankinen. Seconded by Barbara Mackey.
c. Cemetery – Helper – Motion made by Barbara Mackey to have Job posted. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.
d. **Sanitation Contract/Carlisle Sanitation –** Contract is ready to be sign.

e. **Freeze/Thaw Damage Assessment Team Report –** Required information - Still working on this..
f. **Grant application –** voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities – **Joe Derocha made a motion to have Jill Apply for the grant. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

Mark Hamel stated that Humboldt Township should pay $5000.00 for the badges, repainting of logos on truck and any other rename because it was Humboldt that wanted to leave Champions Fire Department.

Dave Wiljanen stated that the truck with the bad starter needs to be repaired so that he can use it. Joe Derocha stated he had the new started and that is should be fix soon.

Tom Prophet stated that the flower beds need to be done away with. They don't look good.

Annual Spring Clean-up will be on Friday & Saturday, July 11th & 12th.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 7:54pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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July 14, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

Supervior	-	Joseph Derocha
Clerk	-	Jill Rankinen
Treasurer	-	Barbara Mackey
Trustee	-	Jacqueline Koski
Trustee	-	Marline Worth-

ATTENDANCE: Joseph Wasie, Jeanie Carlisle, Tom Prophet, Pete Koski and Jim Carlisle

Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE May 12, 2014 regular meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the July 14, 2014 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person)
Jeanie Carlisle mentioned that we need to hire young people to do the yard work.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $250,653.73). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting & MTA
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting & MTA
Joseph Derocha reported under line items
Jill Rankinen went to the MTA meeting.
Marline Worth went to the landfill meeting and the MTA

Motion was made by Jackie Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* to be paid as presented totaling $45,974.92. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

a. HFD Regular Meeting Minutes 6/4/2014
b. CUPPAD – Letter of 6/24/14 RE: Services provided and Membership fee invoice
c. SOM LARA Liquor Control Commission Letter of 6/26/14 Re: Liquor License Application
d. Anderson, Tackman & Co letter of 6/17/14 RE: Compilation Report for the Ch-Humb Fire/EMS Fund
e. SOM DEQ Water Resource Permit 14-52-0023-P
f. SOM DEQ Water Resource Permit 14-52-0024-P
g. AT& T Letter of 6/1/14 Re: Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension.
h. MCSWMA Director Memo of 6/10/14 RE: Annual Report
i. MCSWMA Board Minutes of 5/21/14 – portions regarding recycling
j. MTA Up Summit Brochure/Application

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Trail Ordinance –**Joe Derocha will attend a meeting and the committee will start working on this.
b. Rail Grade contract – Lundin – Joe Derocha was contacted about a complaint of the Trail going by Harju's home. Lundin would like to put up stop signs for this crossing. **Motion was made by Jill and seconded by Joe Derocha to let Lundin do this. Roll called as taken with all ayes except Jackie Koski and Barbara Mackey roll call vote of no. Jackie brought it to our attention that the trains whistle blows at all crossings and we should look into it further.**
c. **Elf –** Joe Derocha reported that all is going well out at Elf. Lundin has been moving out some of their stuff.
d. **Planning Commission Report –** Joe Wasie reported that ordinances should be done by the end of the month. He has sent CUPPAD the revised copy. July 28, 2014 will be the public hearing.
e. **Fire/EMS Settlement –** Champion has not sent our money to us. **Jill Rankinen made a motion to have Greg Murphy send a letter seconded by Barbara Mackey. Roll call vote with all voting Aye.**
f. **Tower Lake Property –**Joe Derocha recommend all board members go and take a look at it.
g. **Safety Traffic signs Cr 601 –** They are starting to work on signs on M95 which are done but Cr 601 hasn't been started**.**
h. **2013 Budget –** Jill Rankinen will have them ready for the next meeting.
i. **AT & T Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension-** This will be signed and sent back.
j. **Grant Application – Voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities** – Jill has sent it in and will report on this when she hears from them.
k. **Planning Commission Applications – Joe Derocha made a motion to accept the two applicants – Jeanne Carlisle and Peter Koski Jr. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was approved unanimously.**
l. **Cemetery – Helper - Motion was made Joe Derocha to hire Wade Carlson as a helper. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.**

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11. NEW BUSINESS:

a. MTA – UP Summit Applications – Motion was made by Jackie Koski to send the board to the meeting. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was approved unanimously.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

Joe Derocha talked about the #6" Culvert that needs to be replaced on Co. Rd. FX. Had three bids.

A Lindberg and Sons Inc.	$4800.00
Laitala Excavation, Inc.	$1750.00
Paul Hamel, Inc.	$2390.00

Laitala won the bid and Joe Derocha will contact all the bidders and let them know who won.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 8:54pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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

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Special Meeting
August 4, 2014
9 am

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 9:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

Supervior - Joseph Derocha
Clerk - Jill Rankinen
Treasurer - Barbara Mackey
Trustee - Jacqueline Koski
Trustee - Marline Worth-

ATTENDANCE: Mark Heinlein

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the August 4, 2014 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed three minutes per person)
None

11. NEW BUSINESS:

a. **Administrative Procedures Review –** Administrator Heinlein presented the board with an administrative review that stated what needed to be done. See attached. Joe Derocha stated the Number 1 & 2 is Financial and communications. Number 3 is record keeping. 4th is Security and 5 is Safety. Joe Derocha felt that the Administrator Heinlein was spending not enough time to the Fire/EMS and that he should spend one day a week on just the Fire/EMS. **Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to hire a administer Assistance. No more then 6 months spending $7800.00. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.** The duties should cover filing, Financial, QuickBooks. Mark would train the person in working and the person would work about 16 hours per week.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

Party for the Fire Department will be on Labor Day and would have a budget of $500.00
No further business, the meeting was adjourned 11:45 am.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

Jill Rankinen, Clerk Joseph Derocha, Supervisor Barbara Mackey, Treasurer
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August 11, 2014
7pm

Clerk Rankinen called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with one absent.

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

ATTENDANCE: Joseph Wasie, Carol Mackey, Tom Prophet, Chad Filizetti and David Wiljanen

Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE July 14, 2014 regular meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the August 11, 2014 regular board meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person)
None

Motion was made by Marline Worth to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $210,601.11). Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Jacqueline Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting & MTA
Barbara Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting.
Jill Rankinen reported on the meeting held at our hall for testing the accuvote for voting. Four clerks were here for the meeting two of these were new clerks.
Marline Worth did not go to any meetings.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* to be paid as presented totaling $44,042.51 Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

a. HFD Regular Meeting Minutes 7/9/2014
b. HFD Special Meeting Minutes 8/6/14
c. CUPPAD – Letter of 6/25/14 RE: Grant money available
d. CUPPAD – Letter of 6/25/14 RE: Office relocation
e. USPS Letter of 7/11/14 Re: Champion Post Office
f. Champion Township Letter of 7/2/14 RE: Fire/EMS Dissolution Settlement
g. SOM DNR LETTER OF &/30?14 re: Commercial Forest Program changes

OLD BUSINESS:

a. **Trail Ordinance –**Joe Derocha needs to attend the next meeting.
b. **Rail Grade contract – Crossing Whistle/US 41 Crossing –** Discussion was made. Jacqueline Koski felt we didn't need a stop sign on the track crossing on FA due to the fact the whistle has to be sounded at all railroad crossings. It is required by law. Motion had been made at the July meeting to let Lundin put in a stop sign at this crossroads. Vote had been 3 yes to 2 no.
c. Rail Grade contract – Lundin - Joe Derocha has been going to meetings on this. We will have a report next meeting.
d. **Budget –** The budget for 2014-15 has been put in the computer. The budget for 2013- 2014 has to be adjusted by Joseph Derocha at our next meeting. Jacqueline requested that we are given readouts on this. Jill Rankinen stated she will have them for all board members at the next meeting.
e. **Elf –** Invoice for Lundin will be going out soon.
f. **Planning Commission Report –** Joe Wasie reported that ordinance has been sent in to the County. Should receive a letter back by the first of the month of September so that it will be read at the meeting. Mr. Wasie gave each board member the complete ordinance with the new revisions for them to read and vote on at the next regular board meeting.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Certification of Sanitation Millage Proposal – The Mileage passed.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

None

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 7:27pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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

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September 8, 2014
7pm

Supervior Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

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

ATTENDANCE: Joseph Wasie, Carol Mackey, Jeannie Carlisle, Richard Smith- CUPPAD, Sanford Pesola, Chad Filizetti, David Wiljanen, Mark Heinlein and Bill Geirut.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE July 14, 2014 regular meeting. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the September 8, 2014 regular board meeting with adding a request by Sanford Pesola to allow him to speak under line item New business Item E. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person): None

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $324,432.07). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Koski reported on the Iron Ore Heritage Trail meeting & MTA UP Summit. She attended an afternoon In place of Mark Heinlein.
Treasurer Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting and the UP Summit by MTA. She attended one day of meetings

Clerk Rankinen reported on the UP Summit by MTA. Went to 3 days of meetings

Trustee Worth reported on the UP Summit by MTA. She attended 2 days of meetings.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* to be paid as presented totaling $26,787.89. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A. HFD Regular Meeting Minutes8/13/2014
B. MCSWMA Memorandum of 8/19/2014 – Guidelines, Map and Fee Schedule

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **Trail Ordinance –** Supervisor Derocha needs to attend the next meeting.

B. Rail Grade contract – Lundin – Supervisor Derocha has been going to meetings on this. He has negotiated $35,000.00 + 5% annually for the life of the rail being in place. He is also working with Lundin regarding taxes to be paid to the Township.

C. **Planning Commission Report –** Joe Wasie reported that the Zoning Ordinance has been reviewed and commented on by Marquette County Planners. Their comments have been incorporated. Mr. Richard Smith from CUPPAD provided copies of modifications to the Zoning Ordinance. In the future, consideration will be given to an addendum for Wildfire Prevention Practices. The Zoning Ordinance is ready for consideration for adoption by the Township. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to accept the new Zoning Ordinance as presented to the board. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously. Roll Call vote was taken with all in favor.** Ordinance Number 09-08-14 was assigned to the Zoning Ordinance. CUPPAD will provide additional final copies of the ordinance books to the township.

D. Supervisor Derocha made the statement that we should hire Howard Robare as our Zoning Administrator and pay him $20.00 per hour and mileage. **Jacqueline Koski made a motion to have Howard Robare to be our Zoning Administrator and pay him $20.00 per hour and mileage. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously with a roll call vote.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Insurance Policy and Premium -** Mark Heinlein has received a renewed policy and premium from Hannula Agency. Supervisor Derocha tasked him to obtain an additional quote on comparable coverage.

B. **Draft Fire Mutual Aid Agreement – Champion FD / Humboldt FD –** Supervisor Derocha, Fire Chief Carlisle and Mark Heinlein are working to draft a Fire Department Mutual Aid Agreement with Champion FD. There was discussion about current Fire Department activity. There was one call out to M95 and the old railway grade (snowmobile trail) where a moose was hit. There were no personal injuries however the moose was killed. Ten HFD firefighters responded to this call.

C. **Board Policies and Procedures-** Mark Heinlein is working on this.

D. **Anderson, Tackman accounting report and findings –** Supervisor Derocha thought that Mike Grentz from Anderson, Tackman will attend a future meeting to present an audit report**.**

Sanford Pesola spoke about the Fire Department Open House/Bridgewalk. He described how the township has purchased a large variety of equipment to operate the fire department (i.e. trucks, radios, turn out gear, etc.) and how T-shirts that were bought as part of the uniform to identify members of the fire department during special events were missing. Specifically, his (Sanford's) t-shirt was missing from his gear locker at the fire station. Sanford reported that his shirt was taken along with several others that were in Bill Geirut's locker. Sanford identified Jacqueline Koski as the person who removed the shirts from the fire station and that Jacqueline gave them to her son and daughter–in–law who had taken a tour of the hall and had taken them home with them to the east coast. He described and read what the job of a trustee is. He stated that he felt Trustee Koski should resign from her position of trust on the Township Board.

Supervisor Derocha allowed some discussion on this topic between board members and the public.

Treasurer Mackey commented as to how nice the shirts are and that their purpose is to identify members of the fire department.

Clerk Rankinen stated that she didn't understand what Trustee Koski was doing at the fire station.

Trustee Koski stated "I did not steal the shirt but technically one could say I stole the shirt from the fire hall." Jacqueline additionally stated "I did not touch anyone's locker and I resent the accusation that I had taken the shirt from a locker." "There is no way I would take a shirt from someone's locker and I apologize for taking the shirt to Mark and Joe". She stated she would take full responsibility for the missing shirt. She also stated she had given a check to Barbara Mackey for the shirt. She felt this was being blown out of proportion and she would have the shirt returned.

Bill Geirut commented that a Fire Fighter's gear locker is their personal space. He stated there was a total of 4 shirts missing including Sanford Pesola's.

Jeannie Carlisle asked if the board had been aware that shirts were bought and were only for the fire fighters. Some board members answered that they were unaware of that. Only the board members on the Open House / Bridge Walk Committee knew that there were special shirts for the fire fighters. Jeannie Carlisle felt this is something not to get so upset about and that it won't be done again.

Trustee Koski stated that if we had transparency on the board this would not have happened.

Supervisor Derocha stated he didn't like the last statement and believed it wasn't true. He stated it wasn't right what Trustee Koski had done and felt we have failed miserably to keep up what the Township people had put us in office for. He stated the bad thing is when things like this happen it unravels all the good things we have done as a whole. Supervisor Derocha also stated that he was not prepared to take any type of action at this time. He allowed that if anyone would like this on the agenda for the next meeting they may request it be added.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

A. Bill Geirut spoke about how wrong it was for the shirts to be taken.

B. Jeannie Carlisle thanked Dave Wiljanen, Mark Heinlein, Carol Mackey and others for all the work put into the Bridgewalk. She also commented on that Jacqueline Koski had made a mistake and it should be dropped.

C. Supervisor Derocha stated that the Planning Commission should order two more maps to have in the hall with the new zoning on it. One isn't enough.

D. Mark Heinlein bought up that he is planning to ask Marquette County Resource Management and Michigan State University Extension to schedule a presentation at a future Humboldt Township Board Meeting regarding wildfire planning and prevention.

E. Chad Filizetti asked who would be enforcing the Zoning ordinance.

F. Mark Heinlein showed the picture of the fire department with only a couple more fire men needed to be put in

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 8:13 pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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October 13, 2014
7pm

Supervior Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:05 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

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

ATTENDANCE: Chad Filizetti, John Etelamaki, Jeannie Carlisle, Mike Palmer, Lorraine Palmer, Carol Mackey, Joe Wasie, Pete Koski, Mark Heinlein, Sambo Pesola, Dave Wiljanen, Ryan Johnsen and William Gierut.

Motion was made by Marline Worth to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE September 8, 2014 regular meeting. Barbara Mackey seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the October 13, 2014 regular board meeting with adding a request by Jill Rankinen to add under New Business line e. Disability Act Grant. Jackie Koski seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person):
Michael Palmer questions what the Disability Act Grant was about.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $353,426.21). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Koski did not go to the Iron Ore Heritage Trail, but she did attend a meeting with Scott Erbish where Delta and Marquette Counties are working together to bring in new businesses.
Treasurer Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting and the MCTA.
Clerk Rankinen reported on the MCTA.
Supervisor Derocha has spent the last 3 weeks in meetings and negotiations concerning the Railroad Grade. He will report on other meetings under line items.

Trustee Worth reported on the MCTA and also the West Landfill meetings.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* to be paid as presented totaling $51,915.45 with one exception of the Historical Society of $150. Jackie requested that we make sure through the MTA that we can pay this. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously. Jill Rankinen will call MTA tomorrow.

Speaker:
Ryan Johnsen made a presentation about the Marquette County Veterans Authority. We are the only county in the UP that does not have a counselor and part-time. secretary in place to help the veterans. The proposed mileage will raise $280,000.00 over the next 10 years for this service. **Joe Derocha made a motion to write a resolution in support of the Marquette County Veterans Alliance. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously. Roll Called vote: Aye:___5___ Nay:___0___**

CORRESPONDENCE:

A. HFD Regular Meeting Minutes 8/13/2014
B. MI DNR Notice of open House on 10/23/14

OLD BUSINESS:

A. **Trail Ordinance –** Supervisor Derocha needs to attend the next meeting. The committee would like to have his input on what is needed in this ordinance.
B. Rail Grade: Contract – Lundin/Republic Township Appraisal and Survey Funding – Supervisor Derocha has been going to meetings on this. He has negotiated $35,000.00 + 5% annually for the life of the rail being in place. He is also working with Lundin regarding taxes to be paid to the Township. Each Board member received documentation of the rail system and negotiations with Lundin, Mineral Range and other principles. Supervisor Derocha has also been working with Republic Township jointly to have the tracks put back down between Republic and Humboldt going to the Humboldt Plant**. Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to give Joe Derocha prepare a agreement with Republic Township. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.** When the tracks are back in place, Humboldt will receive property taxes – calculated on possible value of 1 million per 1 mile of track. Humboldt also received $75,000.00 check from Mineral Range for rail rights.
C. **Review Draft Fire Mutual Aid Agreement – Champion FD /Humboldt FD-** The Humboldt and Champion Fire Department have been discussing a Mutual Aid agreement**.** The Draft agreement was presented to the board for review. **Motion made by Joe Derocha to agree to the Mutual Aid Agreement. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.** Fire Chief Jim Carlisle will bring the agreement to the Champion Fire Chief and Champion Township Board for review.
D. **Board policies and procedures –** Mark and Jill are working on this**.** Chad Filizetti and Mark Heinlein are schedule to prepare a final draft of Bylaws on Wednesday. Other Fire Department policies are being prepared. They will be brought to the board for review as they become available.

E. **Anderson, Tackman mid-year review** – The review is nearly complete. **Motion made by Jill Rankinen to allow Carol Mackey to work with Anderson & Tackman and put in any additional hours necessary so that she may learn and perform all aspests the Township Treasurer's position. Seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was approved unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS:

A. **Fire Mapping Contract - CUPPAD -** Due to the scope of the project, Marquette County Resource management has had to amend the price of the mapping project to increase the price from $900 to $1600.00. **Motion was made by Barbara Mackey. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.**
B. **Sanford Pesola –** Came to talk about the t-shirt that was taken from the hall. He feels the letter from Jacqueline Koski was not enough. Sanford stated that he may need to go back into past records. He felt that Jacqueline Koski should resign. He has 13 months to file a recall. He could also call the police department. He requested last month's tape. Jill accidentally erased the tape. The Township has Jacqueline Koski's letter on file. Her $15.00 check will be returned to her because she has returned the shirt. **Motion made by Barbara Mackey to let this matter drop. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was approved unanimously. Jacqueline Koski spoke stating she did not steal the t-shirt. She feels this is a personal vendetta. Sanford Pesola stated that this was not a personal vendetta.**
C. Recreation Committee – Playground / Jeannie Carlisle – Motion was made by Joe Derocha to have Jeannie Carlisle become Chairman/Director of the Recreation Committee and to help forming a new Recreation Committee. Seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was approved unanimously. Jeannie would like to see a new playground. She will start working on this.
D. **EMS License 9Training / Certification / License** – Mark Heinlein has been working with Bill Geirut and Dyer from Humboldt who works for EMS Republic to put together the license application for Humboldt EMS. An estimate of expenses to the township is being prepared for presentation at the next board meeting. Joe Derocha brought up a request received from Ishpeming Township Fire Department to help fund fire prevention week activities at schools.. There is a lot of cost. **Joe Derocha made a motion to provide $300.00 to help offset the expense of the fire prevention program. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was approved unanimously.** The check will be issued immediately.
E. **Disability Grant** – The Township was granted $2500.00. Because of some of the requirements for accepting federal money the price will be more than originally applied for. A call will be placed to see if we can get an extension. We will have to publish a new request for bids. Among other considerations we may have to have the water line done first before the black top. **Barbara Mackey made a motion to accept grant if we can have an extension until the water line work is done first. Marline Worth seconded. Motion approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

- Mark Heinlein commended Joe Derocha for all his hard work on the Railroad deal with Lundin and Mineral Range.

- Jeannie mentioned that there is a lot of training for the firefighters going on. Firefighters will be having a driving class on Oct 18, 2014 8 am – 2 pm here at the town hall.
- Joe Wasie asked what other maps were needed. Joe Derocha wanted two extra. Mr. Wasie asked how many more. He had ordered 20 and will add 4 more.
- Mark Heinlein stated that he has already used the ordinance book and has been able to find what he need.
- Great Job to the Planning Commission.

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 8:25 pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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November 10, 2014
7pm

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

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

ATTENDANCE: Chad Filizetti, Jeannie Carlisle, Mark Heinlein and Dave Wiljanen.

Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE "Truth and Taxation Special Meeting held on Monday October 13th. Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.
Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE Regular Meeting held on Monday October 13, 2014. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the November 10, 2014 regular board meeting with adding a request by Jill Rankinen to add under New Business line G. Bills and Remodeling Jackie Koski seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person):

Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $329,279.85). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

Trustee Koski went to the Iron Ore Heritage Trail
Treasurer Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting and the MCTA.
Clerk Rankinen reported on the MCTA and a meeting on Michigan Tech Research on Eco Fuel from wood products.
Supervisor Derocha will report on other meetings under line items.
Trustee Worth reported on the MCTA and also the West Landfill meetings.

Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* to be paid as presented totaling $26,260.54 Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.

9. CORRESPONDENCE:

On file

- HFD **– Barbara Mackey made a motion to approve the Fire Department chimney cleaning in the month of September only, starting 2015. Jill Rankinen Seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.**
- Humboldt – Marquette County Veterans Affairs Resolution – signed / file **– Barbara Mackey made a motion to approve the Veterans Affairs Resolution. Jill Rankinen Seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was approved unanimously. Resolution was signed.**
- Humboldt – Marquette County Civil Counsel Recommendation **- Barbara Mackey made a motion to approve the Marquette County Civil Counsel Recommendation resolution. Jill Rankinen Seconded the motion. Roll call Vote was approved unanimously. Resolution was signed.**
- MCSWMA Letter from Chairman Yelle-
- MCSWMA Minutes of 10/15/2014 and 10/27/14 910/30/14 DRAFT
- Annual Summer Tax Resolution Republic-Michigamme Schools **–**
- Thank You Letter – Champion/Beacon/Humboldt Historical Society –
- City of Ishpeming 11/124 Special Meeting invitation – Sustainable Materials, etc.
- SOM DEQ Permit 14-52-0069-p / Humboldt Mill WWTP Line
- SOM LARA letter of 10/19/14 – MPSC Survey and flyer re: Cable Complaints
- Greater Ishpeming commission on Aging Letter of 11/3/14 re: Outreach Worker change
- CUPPAD Letter of 11/4/14 forwarding electronic copy of Zoning Ordinance
- CUPPAD Invoice dated 11/5/14 for update of zoning ordinance and extra copies. Supervisor Derocha will review the charges with Joe Wasie prior to submitting for payment

10. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Trail Ordinance – It is still on the table.

B. Rail Grade: Contract – Lundin/Republic Township Appraisal and Survey Funding **–** Supervisor Derocha has been having meetings with Supervisor Johnson. The cost of surveying will be split 25% Republic 75% Humboldt. **Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to accept this 25% Republic 75% Humboldt split. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion approved unanimously.**

C. Mutual Aid Agreement – Champion FD /Humboldt FD-The Humboldt and Champion Fire Department have prepared a Mutual Aid agreement**.** The agreement was presented to the Humboldt Township board for review at our last meeting. It was approved and signed at that time. HDF Fire Chief Jim Carlisle bought the agreement to the Champion Fire Chief and Champion Township Board for review. It is in their hands.

D. Anderson, Tackman mid-year review – The review is nearly complete. Should be making transition to the new bank accounts in the next few weeks.

E. Recreation Committee – Want to buy some different things for the children's bags from Santa. They have a $300.00 budget. Sleigh rides will be from 12 – 3

pm and Santa will be here from 1 – 3 pm. **Jacqueline Koski made a motion to apply for an online grant Lundin / Eagle Mine grant in support of an upgrade for the township playground. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously**. Jeannie Carlisle requested to have a 50/50 raffle drawing and will look into what it takes to do a raffle**. Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to have Jeannie Carlisle look into the raffle drawing. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.**

F. EMS Licensing/Training cost estimate – To Train up to 4 EMS personal as Michigan First Responders it will cost approximately $5642.00**. Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to go ahead and get the EMS trained. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.**

G. Grant status – Jill Rankinen cancelled the $2500.00 grant. She will resubmit the grant with new bid due to how they have to have the Davis Bacon Act included. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to get bids for the grant. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously.**

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Superior Trade Zone Resolution – **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement Resolution. Seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Roll call vote approved unanimously. Resolution was signed.**

B. Thank you Letter – Lundin/Eagle Mine for signature - It was signed by the board.

C. HFD Policy 101 and HFD Policy 200 **– Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to approve the two policies 101 and 200. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was approved unanimously.**

D. Snowplowing –**Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to put the snowplowing job in the paper seeing as David Wiljanen did not want to do it. Barbara Mackey seconded this. Motion was approved unanimously.** David Wiljanen agreed to do it for the next 30 days or until we hire a new personal.

E. Sanitation problems at Helen Lake garbage shed and other locations – Al Johnson **– Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to have Carlisle Sanitation Clean up all of the garbage sheds in the township. Jacqueline Koski seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously**. Jeannie Carlisle was present on behalf of Carlisle Sanitation and will schedule the work.

F. Newsletter – Newsletter articles need to be in by the 25th of November.

G. Bills and Remodeling – Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to pay the Electric, Gas and phone bill so that we are not charged late fees. Also to run in the Mining Journal and get estimates on remodeling the offices. Seconded by Marline Worth. Roll Call vote with Joseph Derocha voting nay. All other for were aye.

H.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 8:35 pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

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

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Special Meeting

November 24, 2014

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 10:10 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with one member absent.

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

ATTENDANCE:
Carol Mackey

1. **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Approval of Agenda – Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to accept the agenda as it reads. Jill Rankinen seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously accepted.**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

4. NEW BUSINESS:
   a. **Administrative Procedures Review –** Mark Heinlein pointed out that this meeting is a follow up review since our last special meeting in August. Mr. Heinlein stated the township is in a critical time with so many changes taking place. One of our biggest changes is losing our dynamic Supervisor Joe Derocha. Our whole financial system is also being redone with new accounts to improve our banking situation.
   Mr. Heinlein is in the process of looking for a deputy clerk and another deputy treasure to help the clerk and deputy treasurer with their duties. Mr. Heinlein stated Anderson Tackman's accountant Michael stated Jill Rankinen still cannot get imputing the bill into Quick books right. Jill Rankinen questions what she was doing wrong and how to correct this problem. Mrs. Rankinen stated she has not been shown by Anderson Tackman what she has been doing wrong and this was the first she knew of it.
   Mr. Heinlein presented to the board he would like to become part-time as in 2 weeks a month instead of working 4 weeks. Mr. Heinlein asked the board to consider this before the next meeting. Mr. Heinlein will discuss more at our next special meeting.
   Mr. Heinlein informed the board Mr. Wiljanen has given his resignation. The board discussed how we should post his job and felt since we are also hiring for a janitor position besides a snow removal and grounds keeper, we should repost it with the Michigan Works Department stating all the jobs we need to fill.

The board also discussed what is really important and what needs to be brought to the table. The board needs to work together to correct and make our board a stronger board. The Fire Department is one of the main focuses at this time. Elf is another project that has to be kept up.
The board needs to look at a 5 year plan.
It was decided to have another special meeting on Tuesday December 2, 2014 at 8:30am

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**: None

6. **Close Session**
   a. Periodic Personnel Evaluation of Township Administrator – we didn't move to a close session.

7. **Adjournment - Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was unanimously accepted.**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:40PM

Submitted by,

Jill Rankinen Humboldt Township Clerk

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

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Special Meeting

December 2, 2014

Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 10:10 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with one member absent.

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

ATTENDANCE:
Carol Mackey

1. **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **ROLL CALL –**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA **– Motion was made by Barbara Mackey to accept the agenda but adding Carol Mackey- Hall rental as new business A. Jacqueline Koski seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously accepted.**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski and seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was unanimously accepted.**

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

6. **OLD BUSINESS:**

   A. Township Officer Review
      i. Supervisor – Much talk was given to our Supervisor resignation from his position. The Board discussed who they would like to see in this position. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to support Tom Prophet as our new supervisor with Chad Filizetti as a possible deputy. This will also be brought up at our regular meeting for the public to hear. Jacqueline Koski seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously accepted.**
      ii. Clerk – discussion was made on what needs to be done to get up to date in all areas including finding the right deputy to take over in the upcoming years.
      iii. Treasurer- Discussion on having Carol Mackey do all of Barbara Mackey's duties with Barbara Mackey watching and helping Carol in areas that Carol is not

familiar in. Discussed also getting someone to work as a deputy treasurer to the deputy.

iv. Trustee(s) – discussion was made on having the trustee work and be more involved with what is happening.

B. Employees

i. Deputy Clerk / Deputy Treasurer – applications were reviewed. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to hire Jacqueline Solomon and Andrea Gleason as our Administrative Assistant with making their pay at $13.00 per hour. Jacqueline Koski seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously accepted.** We will bring this up at our regular meeting.

ii. Administrative Assistant- Did this above.

iii. Maintenance Person – Reviewed applications – **Motion by Jill Rankinen to hire Ms. Cutting at $13.00 per hour for snow removal and maintenance. Seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was made unanimously accepted. Jill Rankinen made a motion was also made to pay Carol Mackey $13.00 per hour for her work as deputy treasurer. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was unanimously accepted.**

iv. Snow removal – Motion was made above to hire Ms. Cutting. Mark Heinlein will contract her.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Carol Mackey – Building Rental – Carol is having a hard time getting insurance to cover the hall rental. Her insurance agency can only insure if she is not selling something. She is having a sale with 5 other women that will be selling bake goods, crafts and etc. Jacqueline Koski stated she will contact some of the other people who are renting with Carol to see if they can get insurance. The township cannot accept the liability that is why we require peoples homeowners insurance.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**: None

9. **Close Session**

a. Periodic Personnel Evaluation of Township Administrator – *We did not go to close session.* Mark Heinlein presented to the board a recommendation to help save some money and help make more funds available. Mr. Heinlein proposal is as follows:
5 days/week x 26 weeks: $2437.50 month – Invoiced monthly
Phone: $750.00 per year / $62.50 per month – Invoiced monthly
1 Board meeting per month
1 HFD meeting per month
No Holidays
Always available for contract by phone/text/e-mail
Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to accept this proposal with final acceptance at next regular board meeting on December 8, 2014. Barbara Mackey seconded. Motion was unanimously supported.

10. **Adjournment - Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was unanimously accepted.**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:25PM

Submitted by,
Jill Rankinen Humboldt Township Clerk

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

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December 8, 2014
7pm

1. Supervisor Derocha called the regular meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 7:00 PM.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

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

ATTENDANCE: Chad Filizetti, Jeannie Carlisle, Jim Carlisle, Carol Mackey, John Etelamaki, Brett Kyllonen , Alyssa Kyllonen and Mark Heinlein.

3. Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE "Truth and Taxation Special Meeting and regular meeting held on Monday November 10th. Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously. Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE MINUTES"* OF THE Special Meeting held on November 24, 2014 and Monday December 2, 2014. Motion was seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

4. Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to *"APPROVE THE AGENDA"* of the November 10, 2014 regular board meeting with adding Resolution – Petition to Abandon of Public Road under New Business line H requested by Joe Derocha. Also add Republic Township – Rail - under Old business. Barbara Mackey seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person):

6. Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to approved the *"Treasurer's Report"* as presented (Total assets are $114,885.85). Marline Worth seconded it. Motion was approved unanimously.

7. Trustee Koski went to the Iron Ore Heritage Trail
Treasurer Mackey reported on the Central Dispatch 911 meeting
Clerk Rankinen did not go to any meeting this month.
Supervisor Derocha will report on other meetings under line items.
Trustee Worth reported on the West Landfill meetings.

8. Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to *"APPROVE THE BILLS"* to be paid as presented with adding Carlisle Sanitation monthly bill $29,315.97 plus

$2053.28 (Carlisle Sanitation) equals $31,369.25. Motion was seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.

9. CORRESPONDENCE: On file

a. HFD – Meeting minutes 11/5/2014 –**Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to order the CD that goes with the books we previously order for $695.00 Motion was second by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was approved unanimously**.
b. IRS Notice CP-136B: Form 941 Change in Tax Filing for 2015
c. MCSWMA Board Minutes: 11/6/14; 11/12/14: 11/26/14
d. MCSWMA Letter of 11/17/14 RE: Tipping Fee increases
e. Sault Tribe Survey dated 11/20/14
f. State of Michigan, Department of State letter dated 10/02/14
g. Community Dinner at the Elks Lodge for Christmas
h. Posting the openings for the Board of Review

10. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Trail Ordinance – It is still on the table.
B. Mutual Aid Agreement – The Agreement has not been signed. Chief Carlisle stated that it was stated by Champion that 50% of our men are not train, so Champion will not sign the agreement. We have reach out numerous time and we will not reach out again. Supervisor Derocha stated we need to just let it be. Mark Heinlein will let 911 know who we have agreement with.
C. Snow Removal – Mark Heinlein ran an ad and received three applications that were interested. The person that was hired is Ms. Kimberly Cutting from Republic. Her duties have increase from the original ad and include maintenance and cleaning of hall.
D. Sanitation problems at township garbage sheds – Carlisle reported there was no extra garbage when he went to check at Helen Lake. He will be checking on Fish Lake.
E. Republic Township Rail – Need partnership agreement. **Motion made by Barbara Mackey to enter into written agreement between Republic Township and Humboldt Township drafted by our Rail Attorney. Motion was second by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was approved unanimously.**

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Supplemental Insurance for Fire Fighter (Provident) – **Motion made by Jill Rankinen to add the increase insurance for additional benefits recommended by the Marquette County Fire Fighters for the cost of approximately $99.00 per month. Motion was seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was approved unanimously.**
B. Tower Lake Tax Bills – Humboldt Township purchase the Tower Lake property May 31, 2014 and paid back taxes for the property. We have received new tax bills totaling $2205.00 after the purchase. Supervisor Derocha would like to craft a letter to our County Treasurer stating we should not have to pay these taxes or any further taxes on this land due to the fact townships are exempt from paying taxes. Supervisor Derocha would like to go down and talk with the county treasurer before handing her the letter. **Jill Rankinen made a motion to have Joseph Derocha go and talk with the county treasurer about the tax bill for the Tower Lake property. Barbara Mackey seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously**.

C. Special Notice and Resolution – 2015 Humboldt Meetings – **Motion was made by Jacqueline Koski to accept the notice of meetings and resolution. Seconded by Marline Worth. Motion was approved unanimously.**

D. Board of Review Applications- The three positions are up for the Board of Review. We have to post and accept applications for these positions. Notice will be posted for a week.

E. Township Administrator Agreement – On the December 2, 2014 minutes we did accept the proposal made by Mark Heinlein. He will be here 10 days per month. To see full proposal look at the December 2, 2014 minutes. **Jacqueline Koski made a motion to accept the new proposal for Mark Heinlein working 10 days per month. Seconded by Barbara Mackey. Motion was approved unanimously**.

F. David Wiljanen / Maintenance Position - David Wiljanen handed in his letter of resignation a few weeks back. **Motion by Joseph Derocha to get a letter out of thanks to Dave for his stellar job and years of service to Humboldt Township. Seconded by Jill Rankinen. Motion was approved unanimously.** Ms. Cutting has accepted to add this to her list of duties along with snow removal. She will start on December 10, 2014. Board decided to have her work 20 – 30 per week. Joseph Derocha recommends we hire Ms. Cutting as a full time worker with full benefits. Jill Rankinen spoke up stating at this time she felt we could not afford this with also hiring two part time secretaries for 2 days each a week. Jill Rankinen stated we have so much going on with the Fire department we need to make the fire department our first priority. Jill Rankinen has checked with other townships and they are not paying health insurance. Republic pay rate is at $10.00 per hours. Jill Rankinen also stated it may be cheaper for us to hire out our snow removal. Will pull up past records. Joseph Derocha felt with the plowing and maintenance we will be at full time. Jill Rankinen stated it is better to start out slower than to hire Ms. Cutting at full time and then have to cut back the time due to not enough money. Mark Heinlein stated he needs her to work at Elf and also keep it plowed. Mark Heinlein hired Stacy Van Buren and Jacqueline Solomon as our new secretaries for two day each a week.

G. Township Supervisor- Supervisor - Joseph Derocha read his letter of resignation due to the fact as of January 6, 2015 he will be taking his new office as Commissioner for Marquette County. All the board members spoke as to how we will miss him and appreciate all he has done for the township. The board spoke as to who they recommended. Supervisor Derocha recommended Tom Prophet and Chad Filizetti. The Board also recommended Tom Prophet and Chad Filizetti. **Motion was made by Jill Rankinen to have Tom Prophet fill Joseph Derocha supervisor position through the end of Supervisor Derocha's term which will be open January 6, 2015. Motion was seconded by Jacqueline Koski. Motion was carried with 4 aye and Supervisor Derocha sustaining from the vote. Motion was passed.**

H. Resolution/Petition to abandon road way by the new water treatment – Public Petition to sign---**Supervisor Derocha made a motion to have a resolution drawn up to have roadway abandoned by the Marquette County Road Commission. Motion was seconded by Barbara Mackey. Roll called vote. Jacqueline Koski – aye, Barbara Mackey – aye, Joseph Derocha – aye, Jill Rankinen - aye and Marline Worth – aye. Motion was carried unanimously.**

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: (Not to exceed five minutes per person).

Jacqueline asked if the dust control has been taking care of. Al Johnson and Mr. Harrington of the road commission is working on this.
Jeannie Carlisle needs cookies for Sleigh Rides.
Jim Carlisle feels we need a full time snow removal person.
Mark Heinlein would like to congratulate Joe Derocha and Tom Prophet

No further business, the meeting was adjourned 8:21 pm.

Jill Rankinen, Clerk

Jill Rankinen, **Clerk** *Joseph Derocha*, **Supervisor** *Barbara Mackey*, **Treasurer**
Marline Worth, **Trustee** *Jackie Koski*, **Trustee**

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December 24, 2014
10:00 am

Supervisor Derocha called this special meeting of the Humboldt Township Board to order at 10:00 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call was taken with all present.

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

Attendance: Nestor Norkley, Mark Heinlein

Supervisor Derocha instructed Mark Heinlein to record the minutes of this meeting.

Approval of Minutes: No previous meeting minutes to approve.

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Jill Rankinen, seconded by Barbara Mackey to approve the agenda.

Public Comment: None made

Old Business: None

New Business:

Economic Development / ELF

Supervisor Derocha presented an opportunity to provide for a portion of the long-term solution for economic development in Humboldt Township to include the possible sale of the ELF facility. A motion was made by Barbara Mackey, seconded by Marline Worth for the board to adopt a Resolution to this effect. Motion passed unanimously. A resolution was prepared and signed by all board members.

Supervisor Derocha presented the board with a written, signed Offer Letter and Purchase Agreement from Republic Mountain Lake, LLC to purchase the ELF facility. Republic Mountain Lake intends to locate their engineer and mining staff at the facility.

The Purchase Agreement is a 6 page document, describing the sale of the facility for $400,000.00 with Humboldt Township being the mortgage holder and receiving quarterly payments at 2% interest for a 4 year period beginning after the title work is complete. Additionally, the Purchase Agreement calls for Republic Mountain Lake, LLC to make $60,000.00 in improvements to County Road FF. Earnest money is on deposit at the title company. Among other items, the Purchase Agreement describes a lead based paint inspection contingency with Supervisor Derocha described as not applicable. There is also a prohibition keeping the purchaser from removing or selling any infrastructure from the facility without a fair market valuation and permission or approval to do so from the Humboldt Board.

Supervisor Derocha stated there is a $25,000.00 check in place holding the agreement at the title company.

Supervisor Derocha stated property taxes would commence at the end of the mortgage period and the payment periods would commence three months after the title work is complete. An amortization schedule will be provided. There was discussion regarding into which fund to deposit the proceeds and how to manage them. It was felt the ELF Fund would be the logical place. This matter will be discussed further at the next regular board meeting.

General discussion was made of the offer: Barbara Mackey state this is a good deal. Supervisor Derocha stated ELF was a good purchase of a good asset for the township which earned income in a 2 year period of $460,000.00 on a $10.00 initial investment.

Barbara Mackey motioned to accept the offer and sign the purchase agreement. Motion was seconded by Jill Rankinen. A roll call vote was held with all board members voting in favor of the motion.

The purchase agreement was signed. Each board member received a signed original of the Resolution and Purchase Agreement. Supervisor Derocha will contact Republic Mountain Lake, LLC to inform them of the sale and will instruct Attorney Murphy to attend to the deed and any other necessary legal matters related to the sale and mortgage of the facility.

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 am

Mark J. Heinlein, Deputy Clerk