

## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MONTHLY MEETING**

### **April 14, 2015**

The April Monthly Meeting of the Fairview Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 6:30 PM in the Fairview Town Hall on Tuesday, March 14, 2015 by Chairman Jim Weizenegger with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other Board members in attendance were Supervisors Walt Richmond and Tom Dechmann, Clerk Marla Yoho and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Owen.

Richmond/ Dechmann/ Unanimous: Motion to accept the **Minutes of the March Monthly Meeting** as presented.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sharon reported the following month-end balances in the Township accounts: \$111,100.26 in Checking and \$177,441.98 in Money Market funds. Road & Bridge CDs total \$79,212.55 and the Community Projects CD is \$43,101.65. **Revenues for March totaled \$388.80** (\$5.48 interest, \$383.32 Electricity & Gas Reimbursement); **Expenditures totaled \$4,258.46** (\$0 Road & Bridge, \$125.00 Fire; and \$4,258.46 General Gov't expenses).

Dechmann/ Richmond/ Unanimous: Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

### **Sheriff's Report:**

Sheriff Tom Burch presented a report on the service calls responded to by the Sheriff's Office in 2014 as well as his Annual report. The Sheriff's office responded to 19,407 calls in 2014, with an average response time of 12.8 minutes, and an average on-call time of 58 minutes. They responded to 240 calls in Fairview Township, most of which were medical or alarms.

286 calls were violent in nature, including assaults, burglary, criminal vehicular operation, etc. There were no homicides in the county last year.

They issued 460 permits to purchase guns and 361 permits to carry.

They responded to 231 motor vehicle accidents with no injury, 69 with injuries, 191 motor vehicle vs. deer accidents with no injury and 8 with injuries. There were 3 motor vehicle fatalities.

113 impaired drivers were arrested with an average Blood Alcohol level of .18. Highest registered was .31.

The Cass County Sheriff's office was selected to receive an Outstanding Agency Award for the 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr Enforcement Grant in recognition of their efforts in the Towards Zero Deaths Enforcement program.

They cleared 861 warrants in 2014 and served 1,256 civil papers which garnered \$76,525 in fees.

They booked 2,013 inmates in 2014 with a daily average of 5.52 inmates. The contract with the Crow Wing County Jail is working very well.

The Sentence-to-Serve program is working well, with 103 inmates completing work valued at \$64,000, figured at \$8 per hour.

The Chaplaincy, Take-It-To-The-Box and Triad programs are all working very well. The recreational patrols, who educate and deal with boaters and snowmobilers, have been very busy.

Tom and his crew would like to hold another Community Outreach Day this fall. They also have a Fraud & Scam presentation they can hold if we are interested.

They are working with a new CAD program that allows all patrol officers to have the information submitted online as they clear a call, and it is immediately accessible by all other law enforcement agencies and patrols.

They conducted over 600 checks on predatory offenders in 2014. There are 100+ registered predatory offenders in Cass County.

### **Road Report:**

Road restrictions went into effect at midnight on March 13<sup>th</sup>, so Tom installed all the signs that day.

On March 31<sup>st</sup> he received a request from Brent Gunsbury to allow a concrete pumper truck to back approx. 300 ft onto Hunter's Pt Rd. for the purpose of pouring a foundation. Tom gave him permission with the understanding that they would be responsible for any damage that might occur.

At the Spring Short Course Dave Horn approached Walt Richmond concerning the Mayfair Minimum Maintenance Rd. He said Calvin Martin's son-in-law has built a home at the end of the road and is having a problem with access. Dave would like the Board to review it all the way to the end during their Road Review.

### **Fire Report:**

At the last meeting of the Fire Assoc. Randy asked all the members to submit a "wish list" of the things they would like to see added or improved at the Fire Dept. over the next 10 years. At this month's meeting Randy presented the following

list:

- 1) Add on to the east side of Station #1 so they wouldn't have to stack trucks, which would make for easier and faster access.
- 2) The National Fire Prevention Assn. has recommended a schedule of when trucks should be replaced or rotated out of service. The Pillager Assn should be taking that schedule into consideration since some trucks, especially the one at Station #2, are getting older.
- 3) Would like to see member numbers up to as many as 35 volunteers, especially as more calls come in from East Gull Lake and if they add another station. This will be hard to do.

Randy did an analysis of the costs of runs by address and by participating member township/ city. For instance, Pillager has 248 address numbers and paid \$5,500, at an average of \$22.19 per address. Fairview has 626 address numbers and paid \$74,400 for an average cost per address of \$119.45. Pillager had 51 runs and paid \$5,500 at an average of \$107 per run. Fairview had 31 runs and paid \$74,400 for an average of \$2,412 per run. He is working up a formula that would possibly work if East Gull Lake were to permanently join the association. Walt said it appears that Pillager may be the only joint powers member that is set up to use Market Value for assessing.

All pages will be routed to smartphones now as well as pagers.

There were 19 runs last month, with 3 in Fairview, bringing the total runs for the year to 68. There were 2 more medical calls to East Gull Lake last month, but they were considered to be life and death situations.

#### **Old Business:**

**Birch Bay RV Resort:** Ken Bayliss, attorney representing the township advised us the court decision concerning the Petition to Vacate lawsuit has been officially moved out to at least September 16, 2015.

In the meantime, the new resort owners have completed an EAW which has been filed with the Cass County Environmental Services Dept. Paul Fairbanks has published notices in the Brainerd Dispatch and the Echo requesting public input with a deadline of 4:40PM on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

The Board reviewed highlights of the EAW and maps in the EAW, which was their first opportunity to see the proposed plans. Birch Bay RV Resorts is actually proposing 170 RV sites as well as operating the existing lodge and individual rental units.

The Board had just received the EAW and were not prepared to make any specific comments or rebuttal.

Marla has heard that the Cass Cty P&Z Commission will be taking a bus trip down to Royalton next week to review the campground already owned and operated by the petitioners.

**Summer Short Course:** Marla will register herself for the Summer Short Course in St Cloud on June 15<sup>th</sup> to take the CTAS workshop. Then she and Tom will both attend the Short Course in Walker on June 24<sup>th</sup> where they will take the Clerk and Supervisor workshops.

#### **Clerk's Report:**

**Road Review:** The 2015 Road Review is Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM. They will reconvene after the Board of Review (1:00 PM on Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>) if necessary.

**Weizenegger/ Richmond/Unanimous:** Motion to approve payment of all Claims as submitted. (Aye: Weizenegger/ Richmond, Dechmann).

10415	Xcel Energy	Natural Gas 2/13-3/10	243.35
20415	Crow Wing Power	Electricity 2/15-3/15	165.00
30415	Xcel Energy	Natural Gas 3/10-4/9	83.32
40415	CTC	Internet Access	44.95
50415	CenturyLink	Telephone	80.95
60415	PERA	Retirement	362.60
3860	Cass County Auditor-Treasurer	2015 Waste Management Fee	66.00
3861	Brainerd Dispatch	Road and Bd of Review Notices	180.70

3862	Avenet LLC	Website Hosting	425.00
3863	Rardin Excavating	Snow Removal 2/10-3/3	4,332.50
3864	Cass County Sheriff	Lakes Area Dive Team Donation	500.00
3865	Tom Dechmann	Administration 3/4-4/14	454.89
3866	Sharon Owen	Administration 3/4-4/14	475.78
3867	Marla Yoho	Administration 3/4-4/14	1,021.50
3868	Walt Richmond	Administration 3/4-4/14	489.97
3869	Jim Weizenegger	Administration 3/4-4/14	233.88

TOTAL \$9,160.39

Richmond/ Dechmann/ Unanimous: Motion to close the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marla Yoho, Clerk

Chairman, Jim Weizenegger