

**BLAIR TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Regular Meeting**

**July 12, 2011**

**2:00 P.M.**

**Approved**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Blair Township Board of Trustees was held at 2:00 P.M. on July 12, 2011 at the Township Hall and was called to order by Supervisor Pahl.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Members Present: Pahl, Zeits, Rademaker, Clous, Lowe, DeKuiper, Tharp. There were 3 guests in attendance along with the Medical Director- Daryl Case, Assessor-Aaron Plowman, Fire Chief- Jim Carroll, and Zoning Administrator-Ron Akers.

**LIMITED PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Clous supported by Tharp to approve the agenda with change: Add item (M) Condemnation of a property at 4505 E. Mobile Trail for a water main loop. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None

**PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL REPORT:**

**County Commissioner's Report:** not present.

**Sheriff's Report:** Given by Supervisor Pat Pahl, 453 complaints for the month of June that places Blair 3<sup>rd</sup> in the County.

**Grand Traverse County Planning Director-John Sych:** A presentation was made on the Next Michigan Development Corporation. What the Intent is, the Tools used and how it will benefit Grand Traverse County. To create a cooperative partnership with local units of government to attract new business. To encourage local cooperation and take advantages of existing regional Transportation. Drafting an Interlocal Agreement with representative from the different entities. The Supervisor was nominated to be that representative.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCES:** Trustee Zeits is asking area businesses to mow their property. Supervisor Pahl thanked everyone who helped with the clean up in Hoosier Valley.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**Motion by Clous supported by DeKuiper** to accept the Consent Calendar as presented. To approve the following: General fund vouchers # 28496-28568, Ambulance fund vouchers # 13842-13921, Fire & Police fund vouchers # 8110-8165, Trust & Agency fund vouchers, 1645-1667 for a Grand Total of \$247,184.86, To approve the Sewer Working Account Voucher # 1235-1242, the Sewer Assessment Voucher # -0-, the Water fund vouchers # 1200 and the Water Fund Working Account vouchers # 2986-3009 and the Rural Development Operating Fund voucher #1001 for a total of \$108,541.23, to accept the EMS, Fire, Zoning, Assessing, Supervisor, Treasurers and Water Dept. Report for the month of June 2011. To approve the Minutes for June 14, 2011 and the Special Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2011. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Rademaker, DeKuiper, Clous, Pahl, Zeits, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Motion by Tharp supported by DeKuiper to pass Resolution # 2011-13 for tax exempt status for Boots for Kids. Roll Call Vote: Clous, DeKuiper, Tharp, Rademaker, Zeits, Pahl, Lowe, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by Zeits** to approve the request from the Blair Library Committee to use the Park Pavilion on September 9, 2011 for a book sale with no charge. Zeits, Rademaker, Lowe, DeKuiper, Clous Pahl, yeas, Tharp nay, you should treat everyone the same. Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by DeKuiper** to approve the Planned Maintenance Agreement with Bridgeway for the maintenance of the generator at the sewer lift station for the next (5) years in the amount of \$3,484.00. Roll Call Vote: Rademaker, Zeits, Lowe, Pahl, Tharp, Clous, DeKuiper, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by DeKuiper** to approve payment #1 in Division A in the amount of \$296,325.90 to Central Michigan Contracting contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Tharp, Pahl, DeKuiper, Lowe, Clous, Rademaker, Zeits, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by DeKuiper** to approve Change order #1 in Division A for \$304,308.00 with Central Michigan Contracting, Inc. contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Zeits, Rademaker, Clous, Lowe, DeKuiper, Pahl, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by DeKuiper** to approve payment #1 Division B, Grand Traverse Construction in the amount of \$101,741.54 contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Clous, DeKuiper, Pahl, Tharp, Lowe, Rademaker, Zeits, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by DeKuiper** to approve change order # 1 Division B for \$47,687.36 with Grand Traverse Construction contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Lowe, Zeits, Clous, Rademaker, Tharp, DeKuiper, Pahl, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by Clous** to award the contract to Raymer in the amount of \$19,500.00 contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Pahl, Tharp, Zeits, Clous, Lowe, DeKuiper, Rademaker, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by Zeits** to have Raymer install three (2inch) steel monitor wells in the amount of \$35,253.00 contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Zeits, Lowe, DeKuiper, Rademaker, Pahl, Clous, Tharp, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Clous supported by Tharp** to approve contract amendment # 2 not to exceed \$7,600.00 for data collection and pump test report contingent upon Rural Development approval. Roll Call Vote: Pahl, DeKuiper, Clous Tharp, Lowe, Zeits, Rademaker, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Rademaker** to approve payment of Estimate of Funds from Rural Development in the amount of \$421,145.02. Roll Call Vote: DeKuiper, Lowe, Zeits, Rademaker, Tharp, Pahl, Clous, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Clous supported by Tharp** to accept the resignation of DeKuiper from the Planning Commission Board. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by Clous** to appoint Roger Zeits as the Townboard representative to the Planning Commission Board. 7 yeas. Motion carried.

**Motion by DeKuiper supported by Rademaker** to place an ad in the Traverse City Record Eagle for a Township Liquor Inspector paid quarterly with no mileage. Interview committee will be Supervisor Pat Pahl, Treasurer Brenda DeKuiper and Trustee Joe Lowe. Zeits, Rademaker, DeKuiper, Pahl, Lowe, Clous yeas, Tharp nay, 6 yeas, 1 nay, Motion carried.

**Motion by DeKuiper supported by Clous** to contact Wade Trim to provide a scope of service plan for running the Sewer Operations. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Rademaker supported by DeKuiper** to approve payment on invoices # 64846, 64847, 64848 and 64849 to Gosling Czubak in the amount of \$18,780.00 Roll Call Vote: Zeits, Pahl, Clous, Rademaker, Tharp, DeKuiper, Lowe, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Clous** to approve final payment in the amount of \$920.00 to Gosling Czubak from the sewer bonds held by Grand Traverse County. Roll Call Vote: Clous, Tharp, Lowe, Zeits, DeKuiper, Pahl, Rademaker, 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Tharp supported by Clous** to hire Thomas Bergklint as a part time assessing assistant at \$14.00 per hour. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Clous supported by Tharp** to hire Nicole McAillister as a paid on call member. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Clous supported by Tharp** to declare the Old DPW Truck as surplus and put out for bids with the minimum bid of \$4,000.00. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**Motion by Clous supported by Tharp** to start the condemnation process at 4505 East Mobile Trail if an easement cannot be secured. 7 yeas, Motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

Betty A. Tharp  
Clerk

Patrick R. Pahl  
Supervisor

