

Casco Township Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting of September 16, 2013 at 7:00pm  
At Casco Township Hall 7104 107<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Approved

Call to order-Allan led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Present: Allan Overhiser, Cheri Brenner, Josiah Jessup, Lu Winfrey

Absent: Judy Graff

Allan introduced Terry Burns who is a candidate for State Representative. Terry did a presentation of his experience at the township level and the county level.

Allan also introduced Cindy Gamrat who is also a candidate for State Representative. Cindy, also, introduced herself and did a presentation.

**Public Comment:**

Marcy Fitch asked if we have an update from the Allegan County Drain Commissioner on the progress of the north ~~share~~ shore drain.

Allan responded that the process of correcting the drain problem will take awhile.

Reports:

**Clerk's Report:** Regular minutes of the August 19, 2013 were presented. Lu Winfrey made motion to approve the minutes. Josiah seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

General Fund	Balance	\$ 562,032.74
Parks Fund	Balance	\$ 29,637.32
Senior Services Fund	Balance	\$ 19,062.73
Fire Dept. Fund	Balance	\$ 487,843.15
Road Fund	Balance	\$ 286,842.64
Cemetery Care Fund	Balance	\$135,705.81
Collected Tax Acct.	Balance	\$ 529,349.67

Lu made motion to approve the following:

General Fund	Orders #2221-22278	in the amount of	\$ 67,934.39
Collected Tax	Orders #2857-2864	in the amount of	\$693,411.54
Fire Fund	Orders #3910	in the amount of	\$ 112.99
Parks Fund	Orders #385-398	in the amount of	\$ 10,067.88
Seniors Fund	Orders #382-386	in the amount of	\$ 4,362.88
Road Fund	Orders #1083	in the amount of	\$ 134.26

Josiah seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Senior Reports:**

Rachel Brenner reported that on 9/12/13 Don and Carol Hallock did a presentation on their time they spent in China as teachers. Also, on 9/18/13 there will be a talk on wartime veterans and their spouses about the Aid and Attendance benefits.

The flu shot clinic will be on 10/2/13 at the township hall from 10am to 12noon.

There will be a Senior Appreciation luncheon on 10/30/13 at 12:00 noon at the SHAES fire station on 66th St.

**Library Report:**

Bob Sherwood, President of the Fennville Library Board, announced that unfortunately the Library Director, Bob VandeVusse, is moving on to another position at Zeeland District Library. Bob said there will be a Community Farewell Reception for Bob VandeVusse Sept.26, 2013 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and he hoped that the reception would be well attended.

**Parks:**

Bruce Brandon has found a part time resident that has volunteered to lead the friends of the park. The committee is working on a signage package now so they will have them ready for the new season.

The door on the toilet at the Preserve doesn't close and for the parks permit this has to close. This will be taken care of. Bruce asked if maple grove could be brush hogged and Allan said that wouldn't be a problem to get done.

**Planning Commission:** Bruce Barker mentioned that there will be a Special Meeting, workshop, at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday September 18, 2013. This workshop is to amend Chapters 15 & 17 of the Casco Township Zoning Ordinance.

Also, there will be a ZBA meeting 10/10/13.

**Old Business:**

Regarding Police Millage Allan said he hasn't gotten an answer from the City of South Haven yet. Marcie asked what kind of a need do we have for more police coverage? Allan explained presently if someone needs help they would dial 911 and it takes quite awhile for a response because the 911 is out of Allegan. The road patrol has declined in the years. Bob Baker asked if we know what South Haven Township pays the City of South Haven for their officers? Allan did not know this information.

**Web site:** Kathy Stanton, our new website manager, introduced herself to the board and gave a copy of her proposal to the board members and did a presentation on the proposal. There was some discussion on different items for the web site. Bob Sherwood would like something on the web site about the Fennville Library. Kathy agreed to meet with Bob regarding that issue. Josiah made motion to approve the proposal from Kathy Stanton. Lu Winfrey seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Millage resolution-

Allan read the Casco Township Millage Rate Resolution # 13-09 2013

Casco Township Millage Rate

Resolution # 13-09

2013

Whereas, the Board of Trustees has carefully reviewed the financial needs of Casco Township,

Whereas, the fiscal 2013-14 budget was reviewed at a public meeting.

Whereas, said budget was approved at a subsequent public meeting,

Now therefore be it resolved that the following millage rates be levied on the

2013 Winter Tax bill,

Operating

0.4725

Voted

Roads	1.4640
Fire	1.7000
Ambulance	0.7625
Senior Services	0.2500
Park	0.2500

Moved to adopt said resolution \_\_\_\_\_.

Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_.

Yays \_\_\_\_\_.

Nays \_\_\_\_\_.

Absent \_\_\_\_\_.

Cheri Brenner made motion to approve resolution. Lu Winfrey seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Yays- Josiah Jessup, Allan Overhiser, Cheri Brenner, Lu Winfrey

Nays- None

Absent: Judy Graff, Trustee

All in favor. Motion carried.

**Other Business:**

Alfred Ellingsen, zoning administrator, requested for Casco Township to share the cost of the required educational credits that he needs to continue his valid registration with the State of Michigan. This conference will be held on Oct. 14th - 18th 2013 at Crystal Mountain Resort. The cost for Casco will be approximately \$300.00.

Lu made motion to approve Alfred's request, Josiah seconded.

Lu made motion to adjourn. Josiah seconded.

Adjourned at 8:05 pm