

# **Rollin Township Board Meeting Minutes August 12, 2009**

Supervisor Jenkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Members present were Supervisor Jenkins, Clerk Gust, Treasurer Willett, and Trustees McGrath and Wilson. Agenda accepted as presented. Motion by McGrath, support by Wilson to accept the minutes of the July 8, 2009 meeting as mailed. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Willett, support by McGrath to accept the disbursements as presented. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Gust, support by Wilson to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, subject to audit. All aye, motion carried. Phil Rubley presented the audit report. Rollin Township has received an unqualified report, which is the highest report that can be given. The township is in a strong financial position. Correspondence was read from Seneca Township regarding tire collection, the access at Sandy Beach Road, a rock wall on Round Lake built without a permit, the seawall on Peach Tree Court, and a request for support of securing grant money for a hi-speed internet connection. A request for the removal of no parking signs on Sandy Beach Road has been forwarded to the Road Commission and the state police, who are charged with the responsibility of determining whether parking should be permitted at Sandy Beach Road. Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to send a letter of support to the high speed internet companies as requested. All aye, motion carried. Citizen's comments were heard regarding Eurasian milfoil in Devils Lake. Approximately 155 acres of Eurasian milfoil is in the lake. Lakes Preservation League will pay to have some areas harvested by hand. Craig Phillips would like to bid on tree maintenance and brush removal at the cemeteries. Kim Griewahn complained about the baked goods stand on Cherry Point. She states that she is listening to many complaints and recommends that the stand be appropriately labeled.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There was one appeal, granted as presented. Assessor is working on the required 12 hours of continuing education. Building Inspector reports 11 inspections. Electrical Inspector reports 2 inspections and 1 registration. Posey Lake Drain Board met July 28 to let bids for the bypass of the lake. Bids are expected to be awarded on August 20. Rollin Woodstock sewer income is keeping up with expenses. The repair of the line between the lakes has been completed. Posey Lake is in year 17 of the bond debt and after review will need more money to pay off the debt than we will be collecting. The complaint against Consumers power is going to arbitration. A date has yet to be set. Fire Board reports the new ambulance will arrive this week. Rollin Township is charged with 16 calls for the month of June. Planning Commission reports the sub committee is still gathering information to comply with the enabling act. A public hearing is scheduled for Russell's special use request on September 1, 2009; and a re-zoning request on Devils Lake Hwy will be Thursday, September 3, 2009. Tim Anderson from Region 2 will be present at the September 8, 2009 planning commission meeting. Park reports one of the basketball poles has broken off and will be replaced with a donated 3" well casing. We need someone to dig a hole and pour concrete to install the new pole. Transfer station is still operating with summer hours; the community service worker has been very helpful. Zoning Enforcement reports 7 sites, 2 footer inspections, and 1 posthole inspection. Website reports 5017 hits for July, almost doubled since last year. Motion by McGrath, support by Willett to accept the consent agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Costs for the Devils Lake Dam have been lowered. Rollin Township's portion is \$1358.97 and the Drain Commission is requesting that the township will accept associated costs for maintenance

and improvements that will be billed in January each year. Motion by Willett, support by Wilson to approve the payment of \$1358.97. Wilson - yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried. Motion by Gust, support by Willett that Rollin township resolve to enter into an agreement with the Drain Commission to cover the expenses at the Devils Lake dam, and not establish a special assessment district at this time. Motion by Willett, support by Wilson to amend motion to add: to allow scheduled inspections and maintenance. Motion now reads: Rollin Township resolves to enter into an agreement with the Drain Commission to cover expenses at the Devils Lake dam to pay for scheduled inspections and maintenance, and not establish a special assessment district at this time. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

An agreement has been received from the attorney regarding the Peach Tree Court seawall. McGrath does not want to set precedence with this seawall. Motion by Gust, support by Willett that the Township have the seawall removed. Motion by Gust, support by Willett to amend the motion to read: Township have the seawall removed and the cost be assigned to the residents who had the seawall installed. Four aye, one nay to amend the motion. Vote on the motion as amended: four aye, one nay, motion carried.

Bids for park signs were received from Sign Language Signs \$366; and Kipke Signs \$460. These bids were for (4) 12" X 18", (2) 18" x 24" and (1) 4' x 5' signs at the Park. Motion by Gust, support by Willett to award the bid to Sign Language for the signs at the Park as presented. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried. We will still need 2 signs marking the entrance with a one way arrow on them.

The Manitou Road bridge will be paid for in 4 installments with 35% down, \$42000 due at completion and two payments in the next two years. The materials for the bridge have cost \$124,000. Motion by McGrath, support by Willett accept 4 payments to the Road commission for the Manitou Road bridge. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Assessor recommends approval of a land division for RLO-111-2370-00, Johnson, as presented. This lot will never be allowed to have a house. Motion by Willett, support by Wilson to grant the land division as presented. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to establish the Posey lake sewer bond service to be assessed at \$33 per quarter for seven (7) quarters due to the shortfall in the bond debt retirement fund. This increase will be on the quarterly bills from October 1, 2009 until April 1, 2011 billing. This increase will not affect the bond debt special assessment that will continue to be included on the winter tax bill for 2009 and 2010. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

Bids have been received for brush and vegetation removal at the park in the amount of \$4800. Motion by Wilson, support by Gust to table the bid until September, allowing for revision of the bid. All aye, motion carried.

A bid has been received for brush removal at the transfer station in the amount of \$2500. Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to table the bid until September. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by McGrath, support by Wilson to award Grubb the contract to repair the Round Lake Boat Launch at a cost of \$350. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

A request has been received from the road commission to request a drain extension for the Seeley Drain on Burton Road east of Townley Hwy. If the township petitions the Drain Commission, we are responsible for the payment.

Final assessment calculations for Round Lake weevil project indicate that costs are lower than anticipated. The total assessment will be \$78400.30, with the township portion \$5880.30, leaving \$72520 to be divided between the property owners. Lakefront lots will be assessed \$207.20;

deeded access lots \$103.60; and back lots \$51.80. These assessments will be invoiced by August 20th and due by Sept 10, 2009. If not paid, they will be added to the winter taxes but no late fees will be added.

Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to have the zoning inspector order the Amish stand at Cherry Point removed until the proper permits are in place. Three opposed two in favor. Motion defeated.

Citizen's comments were heard regarding the Woerner Road zoning violation. The pre-trial has been held, and a jury trial will be scheduled.

Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to adjourn at 9:35 pm. All aye, motion carried.

Sharon M. Gust  
Rollin Township Clerk