

March 8, 2016 7pm ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING

The annual township meeting was called to order by clerk A. Anderson. Twenty-two residents signed the roster. All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Clerk asked for a nomination for moderator. Bev Westby made a motion to nominate Terry Havir as moderator. Michael Blassey seconded and all were in favor.

March 10, 2015 minutes were reviewed. Carl Anderson made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Michael Blassey seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Dominic Henderson reviewed the 2015 treasurer's report. Henderson stated we started 2015 with \$547,601.89. Receipts for the year were \$626,202.23, disbursements were \$472,257.51. 2015 year-end total was \$701,546.61. Henderson asked for discussion. There was question as to the why the cash balance went up about \$150,000 from the beginning of 2015 to the end of 2015. Henderson stated it was adequate reserve. Moderator Havir asked for a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Chris Havir made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Carl Anderson seconded, motion carried.

Crosslake Chief Bob Hartman stated we contract 24 hours a week of police service for the township. Residents can get property watch forms at Crosslake Police Dept. Chief Hartman stated that a nosey neighbor is a good watchful helper. They will be placing the speed wagon out this spring. There have been some thefts on North Horseshoe and Greenwood Rd. Crosslake P. D. is working on cleaning this up.

Chief Randy Roach presented a 2015 at a Glance power point. Total calls for 2015 were 117. There were 31 calls in Center Township, 15 in Pelican Township, 4 mutual aid and 67 calls in Mission Township. There are currently 22 members and continually looking for new members. They have purchased and have in place the Lucas CPR Device which was purchased thru grants and several donations. There new computer system from Image Trend aids in reporting, tracks firefighter/ems training, etc. Software will be upgraded in May 2016 at no cost from Image Trend. Chief described the 'Knox Box' program. This is used to access a residence if the resident is unable to get to the door (medical call, fall, etc.). A key is held in a secure box that has an audit trail. Boxes vary in price; check the Mission Fire Dept. web site for more information. Chief is doing research for a possible EMS Response unit. The current vehicle would be converted and moved to the building in Center Township. Training is being partnered with Central Lakes College. Discussion – resident Jeff Schoomer asked if training was open to the public. Chief stated yes, just let him know in advance so proper safety measures can be made.

Road & Bridge – J. Roach stated the plow truck was purchased late in 2014. The new signage requirements are a work in progress. J. Roach stated as a plow driver he would like to see residents change their mailbox posts over to the county 'swing-away' posts. Costs for the 'swing-away' posts are \$55 plus tax.

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Park & Recreation – Michael Blassey gave an update. They will be taking bids to resurface the tennis courts and repair/replace the park trails. Pickle Ball may have a temporary place on the basketball court this summer. May 9 & 10 a group from Minnesota Conservation will be planting pollinators that were purchased through a

grant. New signage will be put up on the trails. July 2, 2016 will be the Independence Day parade; 11am parade, music, root beer floats. In 2015 the park committee re-stained the pavilion, garage and placed new lighting in the pavilion.

Old Business – Last year there was a request for a committee for the maintenance building, there is still a need for this committee. Blassey is looking for family township history. In the past there was a request to put a well at the cemetery. Discussion – there was no interest.

New Business – Moderator Havir reviewed the 2017 Levy stating that General, Road & Bridge and Park funds remained the same as 2016. Fire fund went up \$28,600 from 2016. Chief stated that this was for turnout gear, safety gear etc. for gear that just needs to be replaced. There were questions about shared services with other departments in the area. Would this be a possibility to help keep costs down within the fire department? After some discussion, Chief stated they are continually looking for grants to help with costs. Havir mentioned the \$70,000 land money, there was discussion. Havir asked for a motion to approve the 2017 Levy, so moved by Jim Wheeler and seconded by Bev Westby. Twenty one yeas and one opposed. Motion carried.

2017 Tax Levy is as follows:	General Fund	\$225,250
	Road & Bridge	\$114,250
	Park	\$ 34,250
	Fire Dept.	\$142,600

Total 2017 Tax Levy	\$516,350
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Motion was made by Kris Havir to set the time of 7:00pm and location of the Mission Town Hall for the 2017 Annual Meeting on March 14, 2017, seconded by Michael Blassey. Motion was made by Carl Anderson to recess the Annual meeting until the September 6, 2016 regular meeting, seconded by Gina Rudolph. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Anderson
Clerk

Terry Havir
Moderator