

ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 12, 2013

Clerk, Shirley Wallin called the annual meeting to order. Present: Tracy Donovan, Barbara Donovan, Ron Lessard, Glen Young, Tony Loberg, Bob Olson, Calvin Wallin, Jody Wallin, Shirley Wallin, Bruce Galles (by skype). And Breezy Point Police Chief, Kevin Merschmann.

Pledge of allegiance was said by all.

Tracy Donovan made a motion to elect Ron Lessard as moderator, seconded by Bob Olson, motion carried.

Olson made a motion to approve agenda, seconded by Calvin Wallin, motion carried.

Clerk read minutes of the 2012 annual meeting, Olson made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Tracy Donovan.

Jody Wallin gave the combined Clerk/Treasurer financial report. Beginning Balance: \$398,359.09, Receipts: \$273,145.43, Disbursements: \$202,542.02, no transfers \$301.68 interest in investments, Cash in Operating Account: \$468,60.82, investment balance: \$44,633.14, total operating and investment balance: \$513,293.96. T. Donovan made a motion to accept financial report, seconded by Galles, Ron Lessard wanted to know why we are carrying such a large balance, Olson stated we have that in reserve for redoing roads as they will soon need to be worked on again and it takes at least \$80,000.00 to do 1 mile of roads. Motion carried.

POLICE REPORT: Kevin Merschman Police Chief of Breezy Point was present, he handed out the summary of services from March 1, 2012 to February 28, 2013, there were a total of 190 calls within our township during that time period, 3 burglaries, which they were arrested right away, snowmobile accident, had serious injuries, they did use the ATV for that rescue, 1 theft at Pelican Beach. Contract for the last few years have been going up by \$1500.00 but this year there is a union and they are meeting their costs so contract went up \$5.11 to round it to \$43,000.00. Paramedic program – Lucas Device was utilized 3 times since they got it. Jason Rieber will receive a life saving award in April. Merschman asked if anyone had questions. T. Donovan asked about the mailboxes at Nisswa and Pequot Lakes, that were robbed. Calvin Wallin made a motion to approve the \$43,000.00 police contract for the upcoming year, seconded by Barb Donovan, motion carried.

SUPERVISORS REPORT: Tracy Donovan talked about the fire contracts, Nisswa's increased by 3% to \$4279.00 including their firemen's relief, and this will also include the first responders as the fire department is taking over the first responders, they received \$20,000.00 from the old first responders fund, so contract will go up in 2014 to cover costs for that, Mission fire contract is at \$26,500.00 for 2013 and 2014, they are talking about buying 2 new pieces of equipment. Pequot Lakes fire dept., Donovan feels

they are the most efficient and most transparent , they use the Mn. Fair Share to determine costs, Pequot Lakes is talking about taking over the first responders also. Their cost will be approx. \$10,000.00 for this year.. Bob Olson talked about Channel Lane which hasn't been done yet and it continues to be an issue. Road inspection will be April 29th. Loberg continues to brush ditches. We replaced the old tractor with a 4 wheel drive tractor, will need to replace big truck with plow within the next few years. Galles stated that not all the money that we have is available just for roads as we have regular obligations . When talking budget we need to keep that in mind. Olson stated that the cable commission will be giving out 4-\$1500.00 scholarships again this year, same criteria high school seniors and to 1 non-traditional student.

Calvin Wallin made a motion to keep the posting places the same, which is in the Brainerd Dispatch, Country Echo and door of town hall, seconded by T. Donovan.

Old Business: none

New Business: Clerk, S. Wallin, stated that there is a position open on Thirty Lakes Watershed if anyone is interested. Crosslake Park, Recreation and Library committee sent out a resolution for reinstating the funding for the Pequot Lakes and Crosslake Libraries for \$20,000.00 as that was dropped and they will not get any funding. T. Donovan made a motion to support the resolution to fund it, seconded by Jody Wallin, motion carried unanimously.

TAX LEVY: Galles talked about budget and the board has talked about it at several meetings before this. Galles went over the itemized budget, General Fund: \$76,200.00, Road and Bridge: \$110,500.00, Fire Fund: \$44,000.00, for total budget of \$230,700.00 for 2014. T. Donovan made a motion to approve budget for 2014, seconded by T. Loberg, motion carried. T. Loberg mentioned that he has worked for the township close to 20 years now, when he first started we didn't have money to do things, he feels the supervisors have done a good job throughout the years so we have money for equipment and roads.

Time was set for the 2014 Annual Meeting, which it will be March 11, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

Tracy Donovan made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Olson, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Wallin

Shirley Wallin, Clerk