

JUNE 26, 2010

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RAPID RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:02 AM BY THE SUPERVISOR THEN THE PLEDGE OF THE FLAG WAS RECITED.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: RANDY BUYZE, CARI JO BERLIN, TERRY WILLIAMS, JOHN ROGERS AND VALERIE HANSEN.

VOTING RESIDENTS THAT SIGNED IN: PHYLLIS SENSKE, RUTH CRAWFORD, DAVID MILLER, RHEATA RAY CASE, IAN CASE, MARSHA HANNA, MIKE MORAN, ALICE J. BABCOCK AND DIANE NEMETH.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: L. NEMETH MOTIONED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED, SUPPORT: IAN CASE. ALL AYES RECEIVED – MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: L. NEMETH COMMENDED ALL INVOLVED IN THE PARKS – PROVIDING FACILITIES IMPROVES QUALITY OF LIFE. M. HANNA STATED THE CONSULTANTS WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE AT THE NEXT PARK MEETING THEN REMARKED ON THE ROAD HOUSE, LOUD MUSIC HEARD 1 MILE AWAY AT MIDNIGHT – ANY RECOURSE? OTHERS THAT SPOKE ON THIS SUBJECT WERE MORAN, I. CASE, SENSKE, MILLER AND ROGERS. THE ISSUES WERE PROPER PERMITS, ALERTING THE POLICE THAT ANOTHER FUNCTION IS BEING HELD TONIGHT, OCCUPANCY AND PARKING VIOLATIONS.

NEMETH STATED THAT COUNTY BOARD HAS CUT THE BUDGET AND BOARD MILEAGE, THEN EXPLAINED WHY THE COUNTY BORROWS FUNDS YEARLY (1 MILLION @ 1.5% RATE) AND THE ANTICIPATED 8% LOSS IN REVENUE. MORAN STATED ZONING IS WORKING TOWARD A “MASTER PLAN” IN PREPARATION OF THE UPCOMING TRANSITION IN JULY 2011.

SENSKE STATED SHE HAS HAD THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR INVESTIGATING THE VIOLATION OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND THE BOARD WILL BE RECEIVING HIS OPINION, ALONG WITH THE OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, MICHAEL COX, ON THE SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 16, 2010. SENSKE REMARKED ON BOARD PER DIEMS, PER HOUR PAY, COMPENSATION AND APPROVAL. BUYZE ASKED SENSKE, WHEN THIS FINISHES THE COURSE AND WORKS THROUGH THE SYSTEM, WITH NUMEROUS LEGAL OPINIONS, FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, WILL THIS FINALLY SATISFY YOU PHYLLIS AND BE THE END OF IT? SENSKE, “WHEN THE FINAL WORD COMES IN, YES”. CRAWFORD COMMENTED ON A BATTLE IN CLEARWATER TOWNSHIP THAT WENT ON FOR 2-3 YEARS, IT WAS NOT CONSTRUCTIVE AND DAMAGED THAT TOWNSHIP AND HOPES THIS DOESN’T GO THE SAME WAY. OTHER COMMENTS INCLUDED, USING THE COUNTY INMATES ON MODERATE IMPROVEMENTS, BOY SCOUTS AND IN REFERENCE TO THE “PARKS MASTER PLAN” AN INTERN LOOKING FOR CREDITS.

2009 ANNUAL MINUTES: L. NEMETH MOTIONED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED, SUPPORT: BERLIN. ALL AYES RECEIVED – MOTION CARRIED.

SALARY RESOLUTION #051110: HANNA MOTIONED TO APPROVE AS PRESENTED, SUPPORT: L. NEMETH. (NO INCREASE) YES: 9, NO: 2 & ABSTAIN: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

WILLIAMS MOTIONED TO ADJOURN AT 10:45 AM, SUPPORT: HANNA. ALL AYES RECEIVED – MOTION CARRIED.