

**BATES TOWNSHIP BOARD**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Bates Township Board was held on Wednesday – September 8, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall.

Supervisor Helgemo called the meeting to order; Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken with Supervisor Helgemo; Clerk Moncivais, Treasurer Franzene and Trustees Wodzinski and Bobnock were present. Also in attendance were Sewer/Water Dept Konoske (Benson not required to be there); Zoning Administrator Stowell; Assessor Nelson; Marian Volek – The Reporter; Residents. Attorney Atanasoff, Constable Demboski and Commissioner Wills were absent.

ATTENDEES

Bobnock moved to accept the minutes of the August 11, 2010 regular meeting with a change to page 2 Hall Blacktop. Supported by Franzene. All ayes. Unanimous. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Treasurer’s report for the month of August was submitted. A full report will be kept on file for audit.

General Fund:	\$ 38,788.02
Sewer Fund:	\$ 103,660.58
Water Fund:	\$ 287,052.50
Road Fund:	\$ 136,445.57
Liquor Law:	\$

FINANCIAL REPORT

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPORT** – Commissioner Wills was absent.

**GUEST COMMENTS** - Resident Mike Golas wondered what the Boards opinion was on the proposed airport. Helgemo stated that the Board will wait to hear on the consensus of where it should go. Wodzinski asked who will support it. Assessor Nelson questioned about zoning. “Everybody says not in my back yard.” No action taken.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Proposed Water Project – Supervisor Helgemo stated that an Environmental Report has to be done and it’s included in the original engineering. Correspondence was received from Rural Development on this matter.

WATER PROJECT

WIC Rec Authority Millage Language – No action taken. The Millage will be voted on in November.

WIC R/A MILLAGE

Sewer Lift Station Projects – The renovations should start on September 13. Project should be complete if all goes well within a couple of weeks. Additional float switches will come from LW Allen per Konoske.

SEWER LIFT STATIONS

Blacktop Projects – 22 Rd/Sec 14 Rd – Supervisor Helgemo stated that Sec 22 Rd and Sec 14 Rd are done. The County is doing the Bates Amasa Rd project. The Twp is still waiting on the bids for a portion of Chicagon Mine Rd and the Twp hall.

BLACKTOP PROJECTS

St Germain Blasting/Groundwater Storage Tank – The caulking/painting project is complete. St. Germain recommended that a complete tank redo be done in 2012.

GROUND WTR STRGE TANK RPR

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Zoning Update – Zoning Administrator Stowell stated that he issued 3 permits however 1 is not approved at this time. He also continues the work on 1 car violation and 1 horse violation. The horse violation will soon be remedied. The car ordinance violator may have to be taken to court. Clerk Moncivais has a copy of the monthly report on file.

ROGERS LOC ALLEYS

Rogers Location Alley Abandonment – No action taken.

Bates Township Signs – The signs are in place however the lower section recognizing Nick Baumgartner cannot be read because of the sign “set backs.” The sign maker is working on a couple of mockups to improve the signage. Tabled until next meeting.

Cemetery Veteran Markers – Tabled until next meeting.

Water Issues – Supervisor Helgemo stated that a recent conversation with Kleimans indicated that there could be a solution to the water issues on the Trybom Drive area. The solution could last as long as 2-8 years. Wodzinski and Moncivais stated that the problems have been going on way to long. A motion was made by Moncivais to hire Kleiman to chlorinate the WELL at a cost estimate of \$2370. Supported by Bobnock. Roll call vote: Helgemo, yes; Franzene, yes; Bobnock, yes; Wodzinski, yes; Moncivais, yes. Unanimous. Motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS

Attorney Report – Attorney absent.

Special Meeting – There will be a special meeting of the Bates Township Board at the Bates Township Park at Sunset Lake on Wednesday September 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. The meeting is to discuss forming a Rec Committee and to review the necessary improvements/upgrades needed at the park.

BATES  
REC COMM  
SPL MTG.

Cemetery Decoration Removal – Clerk Moncivais stated that the decoration removal deadline is October 1<sup>st</sup>. An ad will be published in The Reporter.

CEMETERY  
DECORATN  
REMOVAL

Bates Park Season Closing/Winterization – The park is now closed for the season. The employees will put the park dumpster on hold and be winterizing soon. Trustee Bobnock noted that the area by the boat wash should be concrete. It becomes muddy with all the water there. The Board will take this into consideration in the spring.

SEASON  
CLOSING  
BATES PARK

Clean Kill Pest Control – Clerk Moncivais will have the Hall Coordinator schedule the pest control for the hall/garage.

CLEAN KILL

UPSET Donation Request – No action taken.

UPSET

State Police Ltr / Bates Gaastra Rd Speed Limit – Bates Twp will respond with a letter to the State Police opposing the removal of the 25 mph signage on the Bates Gaastra Rd by the Bates School.

BATES  
GAASTRA RD  
SPEED LIMIT

Township Insurance Inspection – The Township recently had an inspection and everything looked real good. There were very little recommendations.

TWP INS.  
INSPECTION

### HALL, WATER, SEWER REPORTS...

Hall – Nothing new to report. / Water – Nothing new to report. / Sewer – Nothing new to report. / Constable – Nothing new to report. / Park – Nothing new to report. / Cemetery – Nothing new to report.

### CORRESPONDENCE ...

- ICBC – Seeking individuals to serve on a Planning Committee for a County Solid Waste Plan. No action taken.
- WUPPDR – Iron County Heritage Trail Master Interpretative Plan. No action taken.

**INVOICE APPROVAL**

Gifts From Santa – A motion was made by Franzene to contribute \$25. Supported by Wodzinski. Roll call vote: Helgemo, yes; Moncivais, yes; Bobnock, yes; Wodzinski, yes; Franzene, yes. Unanimous. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Franzene to pay the township invoices. Supported by Bobnock. Roll call vote: Wodzinski, yes; Helgemo, yes; Franzene, yes; Bobnock, yes; Moncivais, yes. Unanimous. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Franzene to adjourn. Supported by Bobnock. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM. All ayes. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held at the Township Hall on Wednesday – October 13, 2010 @ 6:00 PM.

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Grant Helgemo, Supervisor

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Barbara Moncivais, Clerk

Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_