

The Fork Township Supervisor, Jack Bark Sr., called the regular meeting of the Fork Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited.

Roll call of board members: Jack Bark Sr., Cathleen A. Martin, Patti McNeilly, Penny Huffman and John Singer all present.

Approval of the Minutes: Penny Huffman moved to approve the minutes of 07-20-09 with one correction; under Treasurers Report correct the balance of the Tax Collection to read \$387.61. John Singer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

General Fund	\$218,112.35
Fire Department	\$ 34,640.43
Fire Equipment	\$162,415.18
First Responders	\$ 19,893.67
Flake Cemetery	\$ 16,500.00
Tax Collection	\$ 25,483.20
West Chippewa	\$ 6,226.78
Merrill Lake Roads	\$ 2,178.16
Merrill Lake Park	\$ 381.92

Penny Huffman moved to accept the Treasurers Report as presented. John Singer seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Discussion followed on putting some money from the General Fund and Fire Equipment Fund into a C.D.

Approval of the Bills: Cathleen Martin moved to approve the following checks;

General Fund	checks # 8831-8862	totaling \$ 8,333.38
Fire Department	checks # 3572-3575	totaling \$ 1,225.90
First Responders	checks # 2205	totaling \$ 33.27
W. Chippewa Vista	checks # 602-603	totaling \$ 170.00

Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Public Comments:

No public comment at this time.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Fork/Barryton Community Fire Department** - Fire Chief, Terry Vogel presented the monthly Chiefs report to the board. Discussion between the Board and Fire Chief on the grants written for pagers.
2. **Fork Township Rescue:** Supervisor of Rescue, Terry Vogel presented the monthly Rescue report to the Board.
3. **Community Center:** Community Center Grounds report was given by Manager, Katie Bazaire. No written report was given to the board at this meeting. Katie did want to discuss with the Township Board the confrontation she in countered with Manager, Sabrina Greenspan along with the storage room clutter just before Barryton Days. Manager, Sabrina Greenspan was absent from the meeting but her report was in the board packets for the board to review. Discussion followed concerning a letter received from Sharon Johnson requesting her deposit back for holding the Community Center date open for an anniversary party. Manager, Sabrina Greenspan had booked this anniversary party the same day as the Mobile Food Pantry. Patti McNeilly moved to refund Sharon Johnson her deposit of \$100.00. John Singer seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen A. Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Cathleen Martin requested that a Special Board Meeting be held so that Sabrina Greenspan would have the opportunity to defend herself and explain her actions. Jack Bark Sr. moved to hold a special meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fork Township Hall for the purpose of meeting with Sabrina Greenspan to discuss complaints. John Singer seconded. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **Cemetery:** The liability certificates from Hyder Lawn Mowing. There was nothing to report on the fencing for Flake Cemetery at this time.

Pubic Comments:

No public comments at this time.

New Business:

1. **Central Michigan Hunters/ Dennis Cummings:** Dennis was present to request from the Township Board a resolution for a Charitable Gaming License from the Township. Cathleen Martin moved to approve the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming License as presented from Central Michigan Hunters of Remus/Barryton as presented. John Singer seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

2. **Renewal of Verizon Metro Act:** Paperwork had been filed with Clerk, Cathleen Martin for the Renewal of Verizon Metro Act Telecommunications Right-of-Way Permit. Cathleen Martin moved to approve the Verizon Metro Act Telecommunications Right-of-Way Permit as presented. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.
3. **Mobile Food Pantry:** Fork Township Board reviewed the letter that has been drafted explaining the Mobile Food Pantry and seeking continuance of the program. Cathleen Martin moved to support the Community Mobile Food Pantry and contribute to it. Penny Huffman seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Reports:

Jack Bark Sr., Supervisor- nothing to report.

Cathleen A. Martin, Clerk- Cathleen reported on the trouble she had getting a lap top. Patti McNeilly moved to authorize the Clerk to order a Lap Top from Rich Nader with him installing the Cemetery Software. Penny Huffman seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Cathleen Martin moved to authorize the purchase of (3) cordless phones for the Township Hall. Patti McNeilly seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

Patti McNeilly, Treasurer- Patti inquired about getting a dumpster for the Community Center or having the Community Center pay for a portion of the Fire Departments dumpster. Price information had been gathered on a dumpster for the Community Center and shared with the Board. Patti McNeilly moved to authorize the Clerk to contract with Dent Refuse Service for a (2) yard dumpster to be placed at the Community Center at the rate of \$65.00 per month. Clerk to check into lock system. John Singer seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried. Dumpster to be placed on concrete behind the Community Center.

Penny Huffman, Trustee- nothing to report.

John Singer, Trustee- informed the board he would continue to work on getting estimates for the fence for Flake Cemetery.

Penny Huffman moved to reimburse Clerk, Cathleen Martin for expenses she incurred in purchasing software for the Lap Top. John Singer seconded. Roll Call vote: Cathleen Martin-yes, Patti McNeilly-yes, Penny Huffman-yes, John Singer-yes and Jack Bark Sr.-yes. All ayes, motion carried.

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Adjournment:

John Singer moved to adjourn the meeting. Patti McNeilly seconded. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:33p.m.

Cathleen A. Martin, Fork Township Clerk

Approved:

Jack Bark Sr., Fork Township Supervisor