

January 19, 2009

A Regular meeting of the Chocolay Township Board was held on Monday, January 19, 2009 at the Chocolay Township Office, 5010 U. S. 41 South, Marquette, MI. Supervisor Seppanen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD.

PRESENT: Greg Seppanen, Arlene Hill, John Greenberg, John Trudeau, Ken Tabor, Mark Maki, Susan Carlson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Thum, Mary Sanders, Denny Magadan, Gary Johnson, Scott Jennings and Brad Johnson.

MINUTES –December 15, 2008.

Tabor moved, Greenberg second that the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 15, 2008 are approved.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

Trudeau moved, Hill second to one addition to the agenda – item H. Iron Ore Heritage Trail.

AYES: 6 **NAYS:** 1 **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT.

None.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

Hill moved, Tabor second that bills totaling \$201,498.88 checks numbered 15189– 15217 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Trudeau moved, Tabor second that bills totaling \$39,869.38 checks numbered 15218 – 15237 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Tabor moved, Trudeau second that bills totaling \$7,505.49 checks numbered 15238 – 15255 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hill moved, Tabor second that payroll for December 23, 2008 for \$29,041.10 and January 8, 2009 for \$29,240.48 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

FINANCIAL AND TREASURER’S REPORTS WERE RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE.

Trustee Trudeau requested that all investment not go over \$250,000.00 per bank.

SUPERVISORS REPORT.

1. I met with Representative Lindberg on the multi-use bridge in Chocolay, he feels that financing will be difficult.
2. The Township is looking into how the donation of Chocolay Downs Golf Course to N.M.U will affect us.
3. We have received another KBIC 2% check. I met with department heads to discuss disbursement and we will bring a budget amendment to the February meeting.

TOWNSHIP REAPPRAISAL.

The Board discussed a complete reappraisal and/or a complete update on field cards. Trustee Maki questioned why his letter to the Board on this matter was not in the packet and why we would consider a reappraisal with out the State requiring it? Trustee Trudeau feels the housing market is too uncertain to do a complete reappraisal in 2009. Treasurer Greenberg feels we should look at an in house card up date. We could hire part time help for the assessor in the summer of 2009 and consider only updating 80 % of the cards in 2009. Our assessor could update the other 20% of the cards starting in 2010 and continuing updating 20% each year thereafter.

An in house proposal for updating assessment cards will be brought to the Board on the February agenda.

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET FY 2008 AMENDMENT NO. 5 WAGE STUDY AND D.P.W. SALARY.

Greenberg moved, Hill second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated general fund receipts within the township in December 17, 2007, for the next fiscal year, and, Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Township Board Legal/Consulting 101.103.826	15,000.00	+5,000.00	20,000.00
Parks and Properties Salaries 101.756.702	48,357.24	+2,000.00	50,357.24
Parks and Properties Part-Time 101.756.705	6,200.00	+1,100.00	7,300.00
Other General Government Contingency 101.285.951	50,800.00	-8,100.00	42,700.00

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

WASTEWATER RATES AND OM& R RESOLUTION 2009.

Tabor moved, Greenberg second that

WHEREAS, the revenues and expenditures for the wastewater collection and treatment system have been reviewed, and

WHEREAS, the current user fee of \$24.60 is not adequate for the projected replacement cost of the system, therefore a rate of \$25.60 will be necessary and

WHEREAS, the equivalent user fee of \$25.60 per month will be sufficient to offset the Township's share of the OM&R cost for the wastewater treatment plant, and

WHEREAS, the equivalent user fee of \$25.60 will be adequate for the collection system OM&R cost, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Chocolay Township Board establishes the equivalent user fee of \$25.60 for the fiscal year 2009.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTMENTS.

Tabor moved, Greenberg second to appoint Chocolay Township board member John Trudeau as the Board representative to the Chocolay Township Zoning Board of Appeals as a regular member, Mr. Trudeau's term shall run in conjunction with his Township Board term ending November 20, 2012. The Board also appoints Mr. Dan Maki as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Mr. Maki's term shall end May of 2011. The appointments are provided for the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Act 110 of 2006, and section XV of the Chocolay Township Zoning Ordinance.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

MICROSOFT 2007 PROFESSIONAL PACKAGE.

Trudeau moved, Tabor second to allow the purchase of Microsoft Office 2007 for a total not to exceed \$522.55 from the Capital Improvements Fund account 401.258.957 and to be installed on Jennifer Thum's computer

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Carlson, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: Hill.

Treasurer Greenberg asked that we look into the cost of putting the Microsoft office 2007 on the server before purchasing it for one machine.

Fire Department			
401.340.957	\$344,601.51	+ \$35,654.89	\$380,256.40
Recreation & Property			
401.756.957	\$93,358.39	+ \$6,000.00	\$99,358.39

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS : Maki. *

MOTION CARRIED.

*Voted no on the \$4,000.00 for Township Hall and Grounds.

MARQUETTE AREA WASTEWATER TREATMENT ADVISORY BOARD.

Tabor moved, Maki second that Dennis Magadanz be re-appointed to the Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Advisory Board for a term to run from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

ZONING AMENDMENT PROCEEDURES.

Trudeau moved, Greenberg second to not concur with staff and the township attorney and to have the Township Board do first and second readings of a proposed zoning amendment before it's adoption by the Township Board. The Township Board will accept the procedure that was done for the political sign zoning amendment, but for any future zoning amendments the Township Board will follow the new procedure.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

MUNICIPAL SIGNAGE.

Tabor moved, Hill second, that the Chocolay Township Board approves the expenditure of \$4,000.00 from the Township Hall and Grounds Capital Improvement Fund #401.265.957 to Cook Sign Service for municipal signage.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS : Maki.

MOTION CARRIED.

2009 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL TREASURERS INSTITUTE.

Maki moved, Tabor second to expend \$1,346.00 for the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Institute program in Mount Pleasant April 26 through May 1, 2009. This would come from the Other General Government training and education account # 101.285.840.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Hill, Greenberg, Maki, Trudeau, Tabor, Carlson, Seppanen.

NAYS : None.

MOTION CARRIED.

HIGHWAY OVERPASS ON M-28.

Trustee Maki feels that it is an eyesore and the Township should work on getting rid of it. Supervisor Seppanen said that the DNR owns it and they do not want to spend any money on it. If the Iron Ore Heritage Trail takes the overpass over with the trail system, it is possible that we will have leverage with them. Treasurer Greenberg feels that we should contact the DNR about the overpass. Supervisor Seppanen will contact the D N R on this matter.

JOINT MEETING CHOCOLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD /PLANNING COMMISSION.

Chocolay Township Board will set up the annual meeting with the Planning Commission to discuss the master comprehensive plan, trails, corridor enhancement and landscaping.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Wayne Dees, 512 Woodvale – Questioned the Township investment policy.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Letter about Lakenenland
- C. 2009 Assessing Roll and Assessor's Comments
- D. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board
- E. Police Stats for 2008
- F. Charter Communication
- G. Iron Ore Heritage Trail Budget

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

ADDITIONAL HOURS DEPUTY TREASURER.

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET FY 2009 AMENDMENT NO. 1 WAGE AND FRINGE BENEFIT FOR DEPUTY TREASURER INCREASE IN HOURS.

Greenberg moved, Trudeau second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated general fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008, for the next fiscal year, and, Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Treasurer Department Salary 101.253.702	32,007.00	+2,508.00	34,515.00
Other General Government Health Insurance 101.285.925	176,381.00	+2,390.00	178,771.00
Other General Government Pension 101.285.926	64,425.00	+ 251.00	64,676.00
Other General Government Social Security 101.285.945	50,292.00	+ 192.00	50,484.00
Other General Government Contingency 101.285.951	41,950.00	-5,341.00	36,609.00

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTEE.

Tabor moved, Greenberg second that we the Chocolay Township Board concur with the Planning Commission and appoint Kendal Milton to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals as their representative. Mr. Milton's term will be from April 13, 2009 to May 24, 2009.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

ASSISTANCE TO FIRE FIGHTERS GRANT REQUEST.

Tabor moved, Hill second to authorize the Fire Department to apply for two AFG grant requests; one for replacement of the brush fire unit and the second for the purchase of a thermal imager and fit tester. The total amount of the grants will be \$198,000.00 with a department match of \$9,900.00.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR BREATHING AIR COMPRESSOR

Greenberg moved, Tabor second to authorize the Fire Department to seek bids for a complete Breathing Air Compressor System. The fire department will present the Board a bid tabulation and recommendation for award at their regular meeting on May 18, 2009.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

EMPLOYEE POLICY MANUAL.

The Board discussed the policy manual revision and made some changes. The updated changes will be brought back to the Board at the May 18, 2009 meeting.

SCRAP METAL COLLECTION

Greenberg moved, Tabor second that the Chocolay Township Board accepts the bid from Sands Auto Salvage for scrap metal pickup in the Township.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

TOWNSHIP ROAD RESURFACING RFP.

Bid specifications on the road resurfacing were presented to the Board for information purposes only. This will be brought back to the Board at the May 18, 2009 meeting.

FRED RYDHOLM RESOLUTION.

Maki moved, Greenberg second that

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CHOCOLAY
 Board members, staff, and citizens
 Join together to express to Fred Rydholm's
 Family, close friends, neighbors and others who's life has been suddenly
 Jarred by the call home of Fred to a better land.

As we join our hearts and hands in a solemn salute

To Fred Rydholm as his time of passing has come,
Our lives have benefited because of who he was,
What he was, and he stands a monument and
Inspiration of what a friend and neighbor should be.

In commenting on his own life Fred said "I've never considered myself a writer. I'm just a story teller"

We thank God for the stories you've told us. How alive you have made our lives. As with you we saw our streets and neighborhoods come to life. We lived through you and grew in wisdom as we joined your story telling audience.

Thank you Fred, rest
in peace. Amen.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

MCTA SPRING BANQUET

Hill moved, Tabor second that the Township pay the dinner cost of \$25.00 for all employees, Township Board members, Planning Commission members, and ZBA members to attend the 2009 Marquette County Township Association banquet on Friday, May 28, 2009.

AYES: 6

NAYS: 1

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Clerk Hill told the Board that Debra Heinzelman is the new Administrative Assistant, she took Cathy Phelps position.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Police Quarterly Stats
- C. Letter from LSCP about Crime Lab
- D. Information on RR overpass over M-28
- E. Magnum Farm article
- F. Map of proposed Marquette Skate Park
- G. Chocolay Township Volunteer Fire Rescue Department Monthly Report

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

May 18, 2009

A joint meeting of the Chocolay Township Board and Chocolay Township Planning Commission was held on Monday, May 18, 2009 at the Chocolay Township Office, 5010 U. S. 41 South, Marquette, MI. Planning Commission Chair Denton called the Planning Commission meeting to order and Supervisor Seppanen called the Township Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD.

PRESENT: Greg Seppanen, Arlene Hill, John Greenberg, John Trudeau, Ken Tabor, Mark Maki, Susan Carlson.

ABSENT: None.

PLANNING COMMISSION.

PRESENT: Estelle Devooght, Ken Tabor, Al Denton, Andy Sikkema, Steve Kinnunen, Andy Smith, Kendell Milton.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Thum, Mary Sanders, Brad Johnson, Denny Magadanz, Pat Beck, Gary Heinzelman.

The first item on the agenda was to look at the new fire truck. Both boards went out to see the truck and returned at 7:15 pm.

Discussion by both Planning and Township Boards:

- The two large projects going on in the Township currently are McDonalds and Blondeau Trucking. Both are very attractive projects with much public support.
- It would be good to have an overview of the comprehensive plan and how the zoning ordinance works with it.
- The Planning Commission and Board considered not allowing any new private roads in Chocolay. The final decision was to require that private roads use county road standards when being built. Cul-de-Sacs are only allowed to be temporary in Chocolay Township sub-divisions. All sub divisions must have two outlets.
- Shared driveways are a problem.
- The Planning Commission would like direction from the Township Board on what they want the Planning Commission to work on in the future.
- The comprehensive plan will be updated again next year.
- The Planning Commission plans for the future and still has to respond to what is currently happening.
- The 2010 census will most likely show an aging population in Chocolay. The Planning Commission should be looking into transportation and housing for the elderly and how to attract the youth.
- The Planning Commission should be looking at highway issues including the proposed tunnel.
- Water should be a concern of this Township, we should be looking at bringing water lines from the City of Marquette.
- The proposed zoning amendments 34-09-1 through 34-09-16 were looked at by the two boards.
- The Township web site was discussed; staff is looking for any changes or addition the Board would like to see.
- Andy Sikkema, Planning Commissioner and representative of MDOT explained the 2009-2010 highway improvements. The intersection at M-28 and U S 41 will be realigned in 2009. Patching and sections will be worked on from the Welcome Center to the intersection in 2009. The pedestrian bridge on M-28 and the tunnel on U S 41 will be 2010 projects. The bike trail from the Welcome Center to Carp River will be relocated away from the highway in 2010. Along with all of these projects landscaping will include planting many trees with consideration of clear vision for traffic.
- Planning Director, Jennifer Thum reported on the Coastal Grant Application with a resolution to be presented to the Board later in the meeting.

Commissioner Denton adjourned the Planning Commission portion of the meeting at 8:40 pm.

MINUTES – April 20, 2009.

Greenberg moved Trudeau second that the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 20, 2009 are approved.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

None.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charter Township of Chocolay approves the submission of the grant application to the Michigan Coastal Management Program in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the Comprehensive Plan update and other grant application elements and commits that the local match shall be provided if the project is funded.

AYES: 6 AYS: 1

MOTION CARRIED.

REQUEST FROM LION'S CLUB FOR EXEMPTION OF MEETING ROOM.

Hill moved, Trudeau second to approve the meeting room fee exemption request from the Chocolay Lion's Club due to their long history of public service to Chocolay Township.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT SUMMER WORKER.

Tabor moved, Greenberg second to move \$2,500.00 from CIF Assessing 401.202.957 to general fund assessing 101.202.705.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Cathy Peterson commented on the Lion's Club and asked the Board to be conservative with tax dollars.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes and annual report
- C. Correspondence from the Department of Treasury for our township financial plan

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 9:25 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

their regular meeting on the third Monday of each month. Township board agenda: add new bullet **Any two board members may add an item to the agenda one week prior to the meeting.** Ethics: A public official shall make public **any material conflict** of interest the **official has** with respect to any issue under consideration by the board/commission.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

MDOT LANDSCAPING PLAN.

Jennifer Thum, Planning Director reported to the Board the changes in the landscaping design along the U S 41 corridor. The trees and shrubs will be more spread throughout the corridor and a more salt/snow resistant and low maintenance species was selected.

Trudeau moved, Tabor second to accept the staff corridor landscape plan.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE DEPARTMENT AIR COMPRESSOR.

Hill moved, Tabor second to award the bid for the purchase and installation of a complete air compressor refill station to Pomasl Fire Equipment for the amount of \$30,564.

- \$29,034.00 from 401.340.957 (to be reimbursed by federal grant)
- \$ 1,530.00 from 101.340.957 (budgeted)

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION AMENDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND BUDGET FY 2009 – AMENDMENT NO. 1 POLICE TRAINING FUNDS – STATE OF MICHIGAN.

Greenberg moved, Maki second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated capital improvements fund receipts within the township on **December 15, 2008** for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Police Training Capital Outlay 401.306.957	\$1,541.90	+\$399.96	\$1,941.86
REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
State of MI 401.543	\$-0-	+\$399.96	\$399.96

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE TRUCK CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND EXPENDITURE.

Tabor moved, Hill second that the Board approve the expenditure of \$119,284.83 from the Fire Department Capital Improvement Fund #401.340.957 to pay the balance of the fire truck, covering the amount the three year fire millage did not cover.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FOR FIRE HALL CONSTRUCTION GRANT.

Trudeau moved, Tabor second to allow the fire department to submit an Assistance for Fire Hall Construction Grant in the amount of \$900,000.00 and the Township Board will commit \$400,000.00 to the project.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL UPDATE TO SOG AND BYLAWS.

Hill moved, Trudeau second to approve the suggested changes to the Fire Department Standard Operating Guidelines and their Constitution and Bylaws.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

CAPITAL IMPROVMENT BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 2 FY2009 KBIC 2% MONEY DISBURSEMENT.

Trudeau moved, Hill second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated Capital Improvement Fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or

needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
KBIC 2% Gaming Money 401.582	\$0.00	+\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Fire Department 401.340.957	\$335,221.77	+ \$35,000.00	\$370,221.77

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ROAD RESURFACING BID.

Greenberg moved, Maki second to award the bid to Superior Paving in the amount of \$235,392.50 for the resurfacing of 10,000 feet of roads as noted in the request for proposals dated May 27th, 2009.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Trustee Trudeau asked if the site plan fee for Blondeau Trucking paid for the engineering work that the Township had done.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- C. Letter from the Chocolay Lions Club
- D. Best New Sign Award
- E. Press Release from MDOT

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 8:25 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Moved by Tabor and supported by Trudeau that the request from SOUC' INC. is approved to transfer stock in a 2008 Class C Licensed Business with Dance-Entertainment permit, located at 200 Main, Marquette, MI 49855, Chocolay Township, Marquette County, thru issuance of an additional 999 shares of stock from the corporation to existing stockholder, Timothy P. Soucy; add Rebecca A. LaValley as new stockholder thru transfer of 500 shares from existing stockholder, Timothy P. Soucy; and drop Rebecca A. LaValley as stockholder through transfer of 500 shares to existing stockholder, Timothy P. Soucy.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS.

NMU LIQUOR LICENSE

Moved by Trudeau and supported by Tabor that the Charter Township of Chocolay recommends the transfer of ownership of 2009 Class C Licensed Business, located in escrow at 1700 Presque Isle, Marquette, MI 49855, Marquette County from Keltina, Inc. to Board of Trustees Northern Michigan University; and transfer location (governmental unit) (MCL 436.1531(1) 125 Chocolay Downs Golf, Marquette, MI 49855, Chocolay Township, Marquette County and request a new dance and entertainment permit. This approval is being granted with the condition that there will be no adult entertainment allowed on site.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

POLICE BUDGET SNOWMOBILE GRANT

Moved by Tabor and supported by Trudeau that Whereas a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated general fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Capital Outlay			
101.305.957	3,660.00	+195.10	3,855.10
Salaries			
101.305.702	240,249.00	+6,477.10	246,726.10
Temporary/Part-time Salaries			
101.305.705	22,400.00	+59.72	22,459.72
REVENUE			
State of MI			
101.543	13,000.00	+6,731.92	19,731.92

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

FIRST READING OF PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCES

Draft Amendments 34-09-01 to 34-09-13 reviewed and discussed.

34-09-01

This was sent back to the Planning Commission because trustees wanted to have a narrative as to why it was being proposed.

34-09-03

Commissioners felt that kennels could only be allowed on 20 acres and under that a Conditional Use Permit was required. The trustees wanted the Planning Commission to do research on this.

34-09-04

This was sent back to the Planning Commission because trustees wanted to have a narrative as to why it was being proposed.

34-09-05

This was sent back to the Planning Commission because trustees wanted to have a narrative as to why it was being proposed.

34-09-10

The trustees wanted to know how this would work with sled dogs and to change the number from three to four.

34-09-13

Wanted more clarification as to the parcels under 5 acres.

Maki moved, Trudeau second to table the zoning amendments until the August 17, 2009 board meeting.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

MTA RESOLUTION

Hill moved, Maki second to approve "Charter Township of Chocolay Principles of Governance" document which shall be posted in the township hall.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

REAPPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

Seppanen moved, Trudeau second to re-appoint Mr. Andy Sikkema and Mr. Steve Kinnunen to the Planning Commission with a term to run until May 24, 2012.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

CARMEN DRIVE, MCRC

Tabor moved, Maki second to pay the Marquette County Road Commission \$13,284.00 for the work that has been completed on Carmen Drive and for the future chip and seal.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Wayne Dees expressed concern over the number of signs on the public right-of-way.

Dick Arnold asked that the Township Board be receptive to petitions from the people who live on 5-10 acres in the township.

Maki expressed concern of Township Zoning Administrator not responding by letter, to his letter dated July 6, 2009.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- C. Police Department Quarterly Stats 2nd quarter 2009
- D. NMPSA Dues
- E. Marquette County Solid Waste Management Minutes
- F. Peter White Library
- G. Chocolay Township History Books
- H. Community Corrections Detention Center Open House
- I. Marquette Area 4th of July Committee

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Debra Heinzelman
Administrative Assistant

PROPOSED HEIGHT AMENDMENT FOR DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES.

This amendment will be brought back to the Township Board after the County Planning Commission comments on it.

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET FY 2009 AMENDMENT 3 REIMBURSEMENT FOR MDOT TRAFFIC GRANT.

Greenberg moved, Tabor second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated general fund receipts within the township on December 18, 2008, for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Salaries			
101.305.702	246,726.10	+2,587.41	249,313.51

REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
State of Michigan			
101.543	19,731.92	+2,587.41	22,319.33

Roll Call.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Hill, Carlson, Tabor, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

POLICE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT EXPENDITURE REQUEST.

Tabor moved, Maki second to approve the purchase of a wireless access point router, including installation, from Lasco at a total cost of \$228.28. This will be paid from the Computer Capital Improvement Fund account #401.258.957.

Roll Call.

AYES: Hill, Carlson, Tabor, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CHOCOLAY RIVER BRIDGE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS.

Trudeau moved, Carlson second that the Charter Township of Chocolay Board accepts the prepared request for proposals for the construction of the Chocolay River multi purpose bridge and directs staff to issue the document as proposed.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

CARMEN DRIVE REPAIRS.

Maki moved, Trudeau second to pay the Marquette County Road Commission in the amount of \$13,284.00 from the Road Millage Fund 204.440.957 for the repairs to Carmen Drive.

Roll Call.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Hill, Carlson, Tabor, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CHANGE ORDER SUPERIOR PAVING.

Carlson moved, Trudeau second to authorize the Supervisor to make the following change order to the Chocolay Township paving project contracted to Superior Paving – at five intersections (W. Wright Place, W. Terrace Street, Van Epps, Juliet Street and Veda Street) in an amount not to exceed \$30,225.00 from the Road Millage Fund account #204.440.957.

Roll Call.

AYES: Hill, Carlson, Tabor, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PLANNING COMMISSION WORK PROJECTS.

Supervisor Seppanen suggested that the Planning Commission look at fire hall location and review of all township properties and check for potential property purchase. Trustee Carlson suggested drainage problem on U S 41 near rock cut. This will be on the September agenda; giving the Board time to consider additions to the list.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Don Johnson, West Branch Road – Supervisor Seppanen and Randy Yelle walked his property with him last week and found no zoning violations. Mr. Johnson is concerned that Mr. Arnold was trespassing on his property when he took pictures.

Dick Arnold, West Branch Road – Johnson has junk cars in his driveway. Complained about another neighbor living in a tent on West Branch Road.

Fire Chief Gary Johnson – One of the fire trucks will be parked out side of the fire hall until the sale of the unit.

Police Chief Zyburt – Introduced a new part time officer Matt Beaupied.

Treasurer Greenberg – Suggested that all board members turn agenda books in so the zoning amendments do not have to be copied again for the September meeting.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- C. Marquette Wastewater Open House
- D. Marquette County Solid Waste Management Minutes

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 9:05 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

- Clerk Hill – Township managers work well in larger Township; Chocolay Township is too small. We had a manager in the past and it did not work out well. How will we pay for a new position?
- Trustee Carlson – Is fine with looking at a manager position for a 6 – 12 month trial period.
- Trustee Maki – Yes, we need a manager, especially dealing with personnel matters.
- Trustee Trudeau – A Township Manager is a reasonable thing to consider right now, but is not looking at hurrying into this for the 2010 budget.
- Treasurer Greenberg is open to exploring organizational restructuring including looking at a manager position.

This issue will be turned over to the personnel committee and will be brought back to the Board at the October meeting.

REZONING #143 – STABILE – VISTA HILLS FROM AF TO PUD.

Jennifer Thum, Planning Director presented the rezoning request to the Board and Planning Commission reasons for recommendation for denial.

Mr. Stabile withdrew the rezoning request #143 in order to proceed with rezoning request #144.

REZONING #144 – STABILE – 39.25 ACRES OF VISTA HILLS FROM AF TO PUD.

The Board had questions on the private road maintenance and the width of the access easement.

Trudeau moved, Carlson second that following the review of Rezoning #144, and the staff/File Review, the Township Board concurs with the Planning Commission and recommends Preliminary approval with the following conditions.

1. The applicant will provide a 15 ft buffer along the west side of Lot C, to ensure that the development will not be seen from the road.
2. The applicant will provide an easement between lots D and F.
3. The applicant will increase the open space lot to 3.42 acres.
4. The applicant and engineer will follow the Section 9 and 10.2, for final development requirements and procedures.
5. The applicant creates an agreement for maintenance of the road, for his lot and for any future owners of his home and the back lots.

AYES: 6

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 3 FY2009 SALE OF 1987 WELCH TANKER.

Greenberg moved, Hill second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated Capital Improvement Fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Miscellaneous 401.698	\$0.00	+\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Fire Department 401.340.957	\$370,221.77	+ \$2,000.00	\$372,221.77

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND EXPENDITUR REQUEST – FIRE TRUCK REPAIR.

Trudeau moved, Carlson second to expend \$10,497.96 from the Capital Improvements Fund fire department account # 401.340.957 to cover the cost of repairs to the 1998 Pierce Saber unit.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Carlson, Hill, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT #34-09-17 HEIGHT AMENDMENT FOR DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES.

Greenberg moved, Carlson second to approve the first reading of proposed zoning amendment # 34-09-17 and to concur with the Township Planning Commission to raise the maximum height of a detached accessory structures to 16 feet 6 inches In the order to prevent blocking any sun, the following formula will be attached to any building with a height over 15 feet.

R-1 District – Side and rear yard setbacks for accessory structures must be increased 2’ for every foot over 15 feet in height.

R-2 District (Harvey)- Side and rear yard setbacks for accessory structures must be increased 3’ for every foot over 15 feet in height.

After Board discussion this motion was withdrawn for further clarification that an accessory structure may not be higher than the residential structure.

PLANNING COMMISSION PROJECT SUGGESTIONS FROM THE TOWNSHIP BOARD:

- Increase public access for waterfront activities and public parks.
- Areas that Planned Unit Development should be allowed.
- Mini warehouses in Harvey.
- Private roads – look at original language.
- Develop a work plan (comprehensive plan update).
- Look at conditional zoning.
- Services for seniors
- Community center.
- Survey Township property.
- Public water project in the Township.
- Cluster development.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR APPROPRIATE CONDUCT FOR EMPLOYEES AND BOARD/COMMISSION MEMBERS.

The Board discussed adding language that the Township Supervisor has the right have access to offices, desks and computers. Clarify that employees will respond to Township officers and Trustees questions within a week. Make suggested changes under Township Board Agenda, Joint Meeting, Per Diem and Mileage and Ethics. This will be brought back to the Board in October.

INVESTMENT POLICY.

The Board agreed with the policy the way it was presented with a few changes using the term Financial Institution in place of bank. The policy will be brought back at the October meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Stephanie Gencheff – Commented on the proposed height amendment to accessory structures and urged the Board to stop by and look at the height of her house built under the old height provisions.

Wayne Dees – Commented on PUD development and the Township Manager position; the Board should consider an independent contractor.

Trustee Maki – Vista Hills PUD vs. a variance to accomplish the same project.

Supervisor Seppanen – UPSET may use Chocolay Township as a flow through for 2 % money.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- C. 2009 Tax Base for Budget Year 2010
- D. Marquette County Solid Waste Management Minutes

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 9:05 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

Declared this 22nd day of October 2009 in and for the
Charter Township of Chocoday.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISORS REPORT.

1. Recently attended a meeting with MDOT, DNR, Representative Lindberg and Don Britton on the M-28 bridge and possible business spur for the snowmobile trail.
2. We received notice today that our health insurance will go up 22% in 2010. We are meeting with our insurance representative on Wednesday to discuss ways to lower that percent.
3. We have been notified that our fire hall grant request was denied.

TOWNSHIP INVESTMENT POLICY.

Greenberg moved, Trudeau second that

WHEREAS, the Board of the Charter Township of Chocoday, Marquette County, in exercising its fiduciary responsibilities desires to safeguard the funds of the Township that may be invested from time to time, and

WHEREAS, Public Act 77 of 1989, MCL 41.77, requires that the Township Board designate the banks or depositories for the money belonging to the Township, including the time for which the deposits shall be made and all details for carrying into effect the authority given in this act, and

WHEREAS, Public Act 196 of 1997, MCL 129.91, *et seq.*, requires Townships Boards, in consultation with the Township Treasurer, to adopt an investment policy, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this policy is applicable to all public funds belonging to the Charter Township of Chocoday and in the custody of the Township Treasurer.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board approves the following financial institutions as depositories of township funds:

1st National Bank of St. Ignace
5th 3rd Bank
Bay Bank
CDARS
Citizens Bank
Ishpeming Communitize Federal Credit Union
M Bank
Marquette Community Federal Credit Union
Miners State Bank of Iron River
Northern Michigan Bank
Peninsula Bank
Peoples State Bank
Range Bank
River Valley Bank
Wells Fargo

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Treasurer may invest Township funds in certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of any bank, savings and loan association, or credit union but only if the bank, savings and loan association, or credit union meets all criteria as a depository of public funds contained in state law. The standard of prudence to be used shall be the "fiduciary" standard and shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the prior approval of the Township Board, shall be required for the Treasurer to invest in any other lawful investment instruments. The Township Board's standard of prudence shall be the "fiduciary" standard, which shall be applied in context of managing an overall portfolio.

The Township Board may authorize the Treasurer to invest in the following:

- (a) Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
Commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the 2 highest classifications established by not less than 2 standard rating services and that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- (b) Repurchase agreements consisting of instruments listed in subdivision (a).
- (c) Bankers' acceptances of United States banks.
- (d) Obligations of this state or any of its political subdivisions that at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by not less than 1 standard rating service.

- The Clerk shall notice a special meeting by a written request from the Supervisor or any two Board members with at least 24 hours written notice given to each Township Board member. The notice must indicate the time, place and purpose of the meeting.

Joint meetings

- Will be called by the Township Board under the direction of the Supervisor. The Supervisor will contact the Planning Commission chair concerning the meeting and setting a date. The Planning Director will put the notice in the paper and on the web about the joint meeting no less than two weeks before the joint meeting.
- There will be at least one joint meeting a year, and the Supervisor shall create the agenda.

Board Appointments

- The Clerk's department will review the annual Board and Commission appointments with the Supervisor and his/her department.
- Board and Commission appointments will be made at the November Township Board meeting each year.

Public Comment

- Public comment must await recognition of the speaker by the moderator. Comments are to be directed to the Board or Commission, not other members of the public.
- The speaker recognized shall first state his or her name and address before comment.
- Comments, opinions or questions should be directed to the issue being discussed.
- To ensure that everyone has time to speak, three minutes is allowed per person. The chair may or may not allow each person one additional time period to present questions or comments.
- Board and Commission members will take comments, but may or may not respond. If a written request is made, the response will be sent in writing to the requestor within 14 days.

Annual Calendar

- The annual calendar will be proposed by the Clerk's department. The calendar will be presented to the Township Board at their December meeting each year. Once the calendar has been approved by the Township Board, the Clerk and/or the Supervisor will publish the calendar on the Township website and the newspaper.

Per Diem and Mileage

- Mileage is payable for any travel determined by the Township Board to be "Township Business." Mileage is payable at the current rate allowed by Internal Revenue Service Regulations. Mileage should be properly recorded on the mileage log sheet showing the date, destination, reason for the trip and mileage, and be submitted to Clerk's department. Since funds are limited, every effort to economize should be made, such as carpooling, keeping meals expenses reasonable.

Ethics

- A public official, Board or Commission member shall make public any conflict of interest the member has with respect to any issue under consideration or potential vote on a motion by the Board/Commission. The nature of such conflict should be described in terms that make clear the existence of a conflict. A motion should then be offered to excuse the official, Board or Commission member from acting or voting on said issue. The motion should clearly state the conflict of interest. The Board or Commission member shall be relieved of voting only with the unanimous consent of the other members present. See Township Powers Act; MCL 42.7(6).

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

ZONING AMENDMENT #34-09-17 HEIGHT FOR DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES – FIRST READING.

Bob Cambensy – Does not think that sun being blocked from a neighbor's yard should influence the height amendment.

Stephanie Genscheff - Is against the height increase for structures in Chocolay.

Wayne Dees - What is the Board trying to accomplish by increasing height allowance for structures in Chocolay Township? We do not need the increase in height for structures in the Township.

Trudeau moved, Tabor second to approve zoning amendment # 34-09-17 to raise the maximum height of a detached accessory structure to 16'-6". The overall height of the detached accessory structure shall not exceed the height of the principal residence on the property. Detached accessory structures shall not be occupied for dwelling purposes. In order to prevent blocking any sun, the following formula will be attached to any building with a height over 15ft.

R-1 District – Side and rear yard setbacks for accessory structures must be increased 2’ for every foot over 15’.

R-2 District (Harvey) - Side and rear yard setbacks for accessory structures must be increased 3’ for every foot over 15’.

AYES: 4

NAYS: 3

MOTION CARRIED.

REZONING #144 – STABILE – 39.25 ACRES OF VISTA HILLS FROM AF TO PUD.

Tabor moved, Greenberg second, that following the review of Rezoning Request #144, and the Staff/File Review, holding a public hearing and the applicant receiving preliminary approval from both the Planning Commission and the Township Board and final approval from the Planning Commission, the Township Board concurs with the Planning Commissions and grants Final Development approval to Rezoning #144, with the following conditions.

1. The 3.42 acres of open space and the various easements and 15’ buffers shall be recorded with the Marquette County Register of Deeds.
2. The eastern lots if ever developed shall not be allowed access to Vista Hills Trail. The applicant will have to go through the PUD process again to see if the lots would be allowed to use either Vista Hills Trail or the driveway to Lot F.
3. The applicant must obtain all local and county permits that are required before construction.

AYES:7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION AMENDING ROAD FUND BUDGET FY 2009 AMENDMENT NO. 1 – 2ND YEAR ROAD PAYMENT INCLUDING CARMEN DRIVE.

Greenberg moved, Carlson second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated road fund receipts within the Township on December 15, 2008, for the next fiscal year, and, Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Road Fund Capital Outlay 204.440.957	0	+225,812.27	225,812.27
Road Fund Fund Balance 204.390	371,040.17	-225,812.27	145,227.90

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Carlson, Hill, Tabor, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED.

2009/2010 ROAD RANKING.

Carlson moved, Hill second to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and approve the 2009-2010 road rankings as presented.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

MARQUETTE BOARD OF LIGHT & POWER FRANCHISE AGREEMENT/BY-LAWS/INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT.

The Board discussed all three contracts and made changes; all three contracts will be brought back to the November 9, 2009 Board meeting.

2010 BUDGET WORKSHOP.

The Board discussed the concept of a Township Manager/Deputy Supervisor to be included in the 2010 budget.

Trudeau – Would consider a part time manager; we are not ready for a full time manager. Does not want to rush into this in January, but would support this happening in 2010.

Maki – Feels that the Township is in need of a manager. Would consider a part-time or contract manager for the 2010 budget.

Greenberg – The Personnel Committee made a recommendation of a part-time Deputy Supervisor for the 2010 budget. We would not be in compliance with the IRS if we use an independent contractor and have this person keep regular hours, although we could consider a contract for this position. Feels that re-organization in 2010 is appropriate and would be in favor of a part-time manager or Deputy Supervisor.

Hill – We are too small for a manager right now. The revenues are questionable for the next few years and we should not be considering hiring an additional person. We should look at hiring a Deputy Supervisor for the future when the economy is more stable.

Carlson – We need some type of regular supervision/leadership at the Township. Is in favor of a manager.

Seppanen – Is not interested in a part time person for the position of manager. Would prefer to hire a manager over a Deputy Supervisor.

The Board agreed to work on a 2010 budget including a part-time manager working 24 hours a week. The position may not be filled at the beginning of the year, but the funding will be for the full year.

GENERAL FUND

Township Board – Change Township Manager Salary to \$36,000.00

Supervisor – No change.

Election – No change.

Assessor – No change.

Clerk – No change.

Board of Review – Check on the legality of meals for Board of Review members.

Treasurer – No change.

Township Hall – No change.

Other General Government – Transfer to Capital Improvements Fund change to \$146,968.00

Police – No change.

Fire Department – No change.

Streets – No change.

Sanitation – No change.

Recreation & Properties – Capital Outlay Township playground equipment upgrade -0-

Zoning – No change.

Planning Commission – No change.

Zoning Board of Appeals – No change.

Revenues – Offset the expenditure changes in Transfer from Fund Balance.

SEWER FUND

Sewer - No change.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Election – No change.

Assessor – No change.

Clerk – No change.

Computers – No change.

Township Hall & Grounds – No change.

Buildings – No change.

Police - \$65,000.00 (purchase of replacement 4wd SUV will come from current balance).

Fire Department – \$22,000.00 (delete fire hall replacement \$300,000.00).

Marina – No change.

Recreation & Grants – No change.

Economic Development – No change.

Recreation & Properties - \$9,800.00 (the irrigation system for Lion's field \$8,000.00 will come from current balance).

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Clerk Hill commented on Ruth Solinski, Northern Initiatives.

Trustee Trudeau – Asked when the MERS pension meeting would be.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Board update from employee staff meeting
- B. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- C. Resignation letter from Zoning Administrator
- D. Marquette County Solid Waste Management Article of Incorporation Communication
- E. Letter from a township resident

F. Correspondence from Mr. Wayne Dees with regards to Board Policies

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 10:15 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 5, 2009

A Special meeting of the Chocolay Township Board was held on Thursday, November 5, 2009 at the Chocolay Township Office, 5010 U. S. 41 South, Marquette, MI. Supervisor Seppanen called the Township Board meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD.

PRESENT: Greg Seppanen, Arlene Hill, John Greenberg, John Trudeau, (Susan Carlson, arrived 5:25 pm.), (Mark Maki, excused at 6:20 pm.),

ABSENT: Ken Tabor.

MINUTES –None.

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS – None.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – None.

PRESENTATION – MIKE TACKETT AND TONY RADJENOVICH FROM MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Mike Tackett presented the Board with background information on the MERS Retirement System. His presentation included information on the defined benefit plan expense, flexibility, information on if employers are leaving the defined benefit plan and unfunded liabilities. A preliminary valuation statement was also presented to the Board.

After a lengthy discussion on the MERS Retirement Plan; including the unfunded liability, actuarial information, interest rates, and pay-out schedules, the Board decided to hold off on a vote until they had a full board present. The Board also requested the following additional information:

- MERS will present to the Board an updated valuation statement including only the employees interested in participating in the defined benefit plan. (The list of interested employees will be done on the Township level).
- Update the actuarial value of assets using the current employee pension assets.
- MERS provide a definition of how GRS (the actuaries) calculates the "Asset Valuation Factor" in developing the "Actuarial Value of Assets".
- What impact would a change in the assumed rates of return have from the 8% currently used.

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS – NONE.

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 7:25 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

November 9, 2009

A Regular meeting of the Chocolay Township Board was held on Monday, November 9, 2009 at the Chocolay Township Office, 5010 U. S. 41 South, Marquette, MI. Supervisor Seppanen called the Township Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD.

PRESENT: Greg Seppanen, Arlene Hill, John Greenberg, John Trudeau, Mark Maki, Ken Tabor, Susan Carlson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Thum, Mary Sanders, Brad Johnson, Gary Johnson, Denny Magadan, Greg Zyburt.

MINUTES –October 19, 2009.

Greenberg moved, Trudeau second that the minutes of the October 19, 2009 Township Board meeting be approved.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

Hill moved, Trudeau second to accept the agenda as presented.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT.

None.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

Hill moved, Carlson second that bills totaling \$42,861.15 checks numbered 15873– 15902 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

PAYROLL.

Tabor moved, Trudeau second that the payroll for October 29, 2009 in the amount of \$28,236.16 be approved.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

FINANCIAL AND TREASURER’S REPORTS.

Trudeau moved, Carlson second to accept the Certificate of Deposit report as presented by the Treasurer.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

SUPERVISORS REPORT.

The Supervisor ‘s of the Townships involved with the Board of Light & Power Franchise Agreement will be setting up a meeting within the next couple of weeks. Earl Yelle from Sands was not available due to health issues.

2010 BUDGET WORKSHOP.

The Board again discussed a Township Manager position; direction of discussion was on full time/part-time and contract. The Board preferred option 3 using a contract for the Manager. Option 3 would have Tom Murray, Community Development Coordinator acting as lead office person at 40 hours a week for the first 6 months. Jennifer Thum, Director of Planning and Development will be doing Planning and Zoning 40 hours a week. The last six Tom Murray would go back to 24 hours a week and a Manager would come in at 24 hours a week. The Board is flexible on the exact month of 2010 that a Manager would begin working for Chocolay Township; and may not hold exactly to this time table. The Board wants an active roll in searching, interviewing and hiring the Manager. The Manager will report to the Board.

Hill moved, Carlson second to increase the Trustee per diem to \$60.00 per meeting.

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 2 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Maki moved, Hill second to reduce consulting services to -0- under Township Board legal fees.

AYES: 4 **NAYS:** 3 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Maki moved, Greenberg second to reduce the Assessing and tax program up date under Assessing Capital Outlay to -0-.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Treasurer Greenberg stated that this should be reconsidered in the 2011 budget after the bugs have been worked out of the program.

Maki moved, Trudeau second to remove \$2,000.00 from Planning Commission professional services for engineering services for private roads.

Greenberg moved, Hill second to table this idea until the December meeting awaiting further information; who is paying for the engineering services for private roads.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

The budget work session was closed. The budget will be brought back to the Board for a vote at the December meeting

RESOLUTION AMENDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND BUDGET FY 2009 – AMENDMENT NO. 4 - POLICE TRAINING FUNDS – STATE OF MICHIGAN.

Greenberg moved, Hill seconded that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated capital improvements fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Police Training Capital Outlay 401.306.957	\$1,941.86	+\$418.20	\$2,360.06

REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
State of MI 401.543	\$ 399.96	+\$418.20	\$ 818.16

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Hill, Carlson, Tabor, Seppanen.

NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

DELINQUENT SEWER FEES TO TAX ROLL.

Greenberg moved, Tabor second that the list of delinquent sewer charges and penalties as received from the Deputy Clerk, to be added to the December tax roll.

CHOCOLAY TOWNSHIP DELINQUENT SEWER USERS 2009				
Name	Tax ID Number	Address	City, State, Zip	Amount Due
Richard Ryan	52-02-490-004-00	114 Chocolay River Trail	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Ray & Margaret Sprowl	52-02-212-001-00	209 Corning Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Quiznos	52-02-106-043-50	505 Corning Street	Mqt MI 49855	1821.09
Edie Halstead	52.02-215-005-00	144 East Fairbanks	Mqt MI 49855	217.04
Susan Racine	52-02-215-006-00	156 East Fairbanks	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
David Hillock	52-02-216-010-00	158 East Wright Place	Mqt MI 49855	154.68
Linda Morgan	52-02-216-015-00	161 East Wright Place	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Robert & Joni Taylor	52-02-455-036-00	204 Jean Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Oliver Burns	52-02-455-046-00	225 Judy Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Linda Bice	52-02-215-015-00	115 Kellog Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Richard Hillock	52-02-305-034-00	172 Riverside Road	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Rease Premeau	52-02-305-022-50	204 Riverside	Mqt MI 49855	111.14
Patrick Manning	52-02-305-019-00	218 Riverside Road	Mqt MI 49855	73.50
Michael Howard	52-02-107-012-00	204 Silver Creek Road	Mqt MI 49855	240.24
Anita Madosh	52-02-107-035-00	245 Silver Creek Road	Mqt MI 49855	54.68
Joseph Menze	52-02-107-063-00	328 Silver Creek Road	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Steve Johnson	52-02-206-012-00	2424 U S 41 South	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Walt Racine	52-02-251-012-00	2801 US 41 South	Mqt MI 49855	570.66
Wahlstrom Enterprise	52-02-107-007-00	5043 U S 41 South	Mqt MI 49855	8,750.31
Wahlstrom Enterprise	52-02-107-007-00	5045 U S 41 South	Mqt MI 49855	507.27
Steve Wahlstrom- Lark	52-02-107-004-00	5063 U S 41 South	Mqt MI 49855	1,426.68
Hudson Mechanical	52-02-440-002-00	6040 U S 41 South	Mqt MI 49855	1,488.70
Mike & Eva Schlenkert	52-02-455-001-00	132 Veda Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Dave/ Bonnie Schwiderson	52-02-107-078-00	735 Willow Road	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Jason Bernard	52-02-107-074-00	740 Willow Road	Mqt MI 49855	167.04

Terry Huffman	52-02-204-028-00	165 West Main Street	Mqt MI 49855	140.47
Theresa Soucy	52-02-210-004-00	330 W. Terrace Street	Mqt MI 49855	235.86
Gardner Bess	52-02-210-005-00	334 West Terrace Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Joseph Stanaway	52-02-208-005-00	341 West Terrace	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Marilyn Kremer	52-02-208-003-00	371 West Terrace	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Jeff Bushey	52-02-208-002-00	387 W. Terrace Street	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Kristine Dionne	52-02-106-043-00	110 West Wright Place	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Glen Carlson	52-02-213-004-00	350 West Wright Place	Mqt MI 49855	317.04
Total Delinquent Amount				21,666.08

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

2010 FEE SCHEDULE.

Carlson moved, Hill second to approve the suggested increase in the police and assessing departments to be implemented into the 2010 fee schedule.

AYES: 6

NAYS: 1

MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION OF THE MCDONALDS VARIANCE.

Trustee Maki lead a discussion on the McDonalds variance. Trustee Carlson had concerns about two way traffic going from Holiday to Togo's and on to McDonalds. Trustee Maki will meet with Supervisor Seppanen next week on the McDonald's variance.

DISCUSSION OF THE BESOLA PROPERTY.

Trustee Maki reviewed the variance on the Besola property and the Zoning Board of Appeals decision on it. Trustee Maki's opinion is that the ZBA did not follow the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Wayne Dees – Comment on the blinking Holiday Gas Station sign.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- B. Marquette County Solid Waste Minutes

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk

December 14, 2009

A Regular meeting of the Chocolay Township Board was held on Monday, December 14, 2009 at the Chocolay Township Office, 5010 U. S. 41 South, Marquette, MI. Supervisor Seppanen called the Township Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD.

PRESENT: Greg Seppanen, Arlene Hill, John Greenberg, John Trudeau, Mark Maki, Ken Tabor, Susan Carlson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Thum, Mary Sanders, Brad Johnson, Gary Johnson, Denny Magadan, Greg Zyburt, Deb Heinzelman, Gary Heinzelman, Pat Beck and Tom Murray.

MINUTES –NOVEMBER 5, 2009 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AND NOVEMBER 9, 2009.

Greenberg moved, Carlson second that the minutes of the November 5, 2009 Special Township Board meeting be approved.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Trudeau moved, Tabor second that the November 9, 2009 Township Board meeting be approved with one change.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

Supervisor Seppanen requested adding an item at the end of the meeting to discuss a request for Township Board agenda packets.

Hill moved, Tabor second to accept the agenda as presented.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS.

Trustee Maki commented that amendment # 34-09-13 is not necessary because it is addressed in the zoning ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Treasurer Greenberg thanked Pat Beck for the hot chocolate and baked goods.

Fire Chief Gary Johnson informed the Board that Jeff Trudeau, Fire Department Lieutenant is resigning after being on the department for 14 years.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.

Hill moved, Trudeau second that bills totaling \$15,458.32 checks numbered 15903– 15939 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Tabor moved, Trudeau second that bills totaling \$27,697.08 checks numbered 15940– 15957 be approved for payment.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

PAYROLL.

Hill moved, Carlson second that the payroll for November 12, 2009 in the amount of \$25,974.91 and November 26, 2009 in the amount of \$29,421.96 be approved.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

FINANCIAL AND TREASURER’S REPORTS.

Carlson moved, Trudeau second to accept the Financial and Treasurer Report.

AYES: 7 **NAYS:** 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

PRESENTATION – MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MICHIGAN.

Mike Tackett, MERS representative presented information to the Board addressing the concerns the Board had at the Special MERS meeting on November 5th. Concerns were value of assets, updated census of employees interested in participating in MERS, and calculating costs based on a 7% rate of return vs. the assumed 8% figure.

SUPERVISORS REPORT.

- Ron Wick, a resident of Chocolay Township has a 19 acre parcel of property that he would like to donate to the Township. Staff will review information on this property and will report back to the Board in January or February.

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: Maki

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION FOR OFFICERS' SALARIES

Supervisor's Salary

Tabor moved, Carlson second that the salary for the office of Supervisor shall be set in the amount of \$15,025.00 for the Fiscal Year 2010, which begins January 1, 2010, and ends December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Salary

Carlson moved, Hill second that the salary for the office of Treasurer shall be set in the amount of \$8,739.00 for the Fiscal Year 2010, which begins January 1, 2010, and ends December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk's Salary

Tabor moved, Trudeau second that the salary for the office of Clerk shall be set in the amount of \$11,852.00 for the Fiscal Year 2010, which begins January 1, 2010, and ends December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Trustee's Per Diem

Carlson moved, Hill second that the per diem for the office of Trustee shall be set in the amount of \$60.00 per meeting for the Fiscal Year 2010, which begins January 1, 2010, and ends December 31, 2010.

AYES: 5 NAYS: 2 (Maki, Trudeau).

MOTION CARRIED.

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS.

34-09-01

MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (MFR); Section 4.3: (D) 1

Existing language:

1. Density is limited to seven homes per acre.

Proposed amended language:

2. Density is limited to *five* homes per acre

Tabor moved, Greenberg second to approve the second reading of Zoning Amendment #34-09-01 and will publish with the Township Clerk within 15 days after adoption, publish the amendment in the local newspaper and on the township website within 15 days of adoption and record ordinance in Township ordinance book within one week after the publication of ordinance.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

34-09-02

1. AGRICULTURE/FORESTRY (AF); Section 4.7 & 4.4:

Proposed additions:

3. Add to AF section 4.7 (C) **11. Parks**
4. Add to WFR section 4.4 (C) **7. Parks**

Trudeau moved, Carlson second to approve the second reading of Zoning Amendment #34-09-02 and will publish with the Township Clerk within 15 days after adoption, publish the amendment in the local newspaper and on the township website within 15 days of adoption and record ordinance in Township ordinance book within one week after the publication of ordinance.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

#34-09-03

2. AGRICULTURE/FORESTRY (AF); Section 4.7:

Proposed addition:

1. Add to section 4.7 (C) **11. Kennels on lots 20 acres or more.**

Carlson moved, Tabor second to approve the second reading of Zoning Amendment #34-09-03 and will publish with the Township Clerk within 15 days after adoption, publish the amendment in the local newspaper and on the township website within 15 days of adoption and record ordinance in Township ordinance book within one week after the publication of ordinance.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0

MOTION CARRIED.

Maki moved, Greenberg second to table zoning amendment 34-09-07.

AYES: 4 NAYS: 3

MOTION CARRIED.

#34-09-10

3. Article II, Definitions:

June 21

December 13

Chocolay Township Planning Commission – 7:30 PM

January 4	July 12
February 1	August 2
March 1	September 13
April 5	October 4
May 3	November 1
June 7	December 6

Chocolay Zoning Board of Appeals – 7:00 PM

January	July 22
February 25	August 26
March	September 23
April 22	October 28
May 27	November 18
June 24	December 16

Chocolay Township Fire Department – 7:00 PM

1st Thursday of each month – Business Meeting
2nd and 3rd Thursday of each month - Training

Maki moved, Tabor second to accept the meeting schedule for 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

UTILITY REVIEW COMMITTEE, FRANCHISE AGREEMENT, BY-LAW AND INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT.

Greenberg moved, Trudeau second to adopt the Utility Review Franchise Agreement with the Marquette Board of Light & Power and authorize the Supervisor to sign the By-Laws and the Inter-Local Agreement.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

SIX MONTH RESTRUCTURING PLAN.

Trudeau moved Tabor second, that Jennifer Thum is appointed to the position of Director of Planning/Zoning Administrator and descriptions for the positions of Township Manager, Community Development Coordinator, Planning Director/Zoning Administrator and Assessor be accepted by the Board.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 1 MOTION CARRIED.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS.

Greenberg moved, Hill second that Greg Seppanen is reappointed as Primary to the East Marquette Solid Waste Disposal Authority for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Trudeau moved, Tabor second that Dennis Magadanz is reappointed as Alternate to the East Marquette Solid Waste Disposal Authority for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Tabor moved, Hill second that Brad Johnson is appointed as Alternate to the East Marquette Solid Waste Disposal Authority for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Greenberg moved, Tabor second that Brad Johnson be reappointed to the Personnel Committee for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Tabor moved, Carlson second that Jennifer Thum be appointed to the Personnel Committee for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Greenberg moved, Carlson second that Arlene Hill be reappointed to the Marquette County Township Association for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Carlson moved, Tabor second that Jennifer Thum be appointed to the Utility Review Committee (alternate) for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Tabor moved, Carlson second that Mary Sanders be appointed as primary to the Northern Michigan Public Service Academy Board for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Greenberg moved, Tabor second that be John Trudeau appointed as alternate to the Northern Michigan Public Service Academy Board for a term to run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET FY 2009 AMENDMENT #5 - REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE NOVEMBER 2009 ELECTION.

Greenberg moved, Trudeau second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated general fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008, for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Miscellaneous 101.698	35,000.00	+2,115.28	37,115.28
EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Election Per Meeting 101.190.710	4,150.00	+1,230.75	5,380.75
Election Office Supplies 101.190.728	2,000.00	+ 37.00	2,037.00
Election Printing 101.190.728	1,000.00	+ 143.52	1,143.52
Election Postage 101.190.729	1,000.00	+ 426.45	1,426.45
Election Advertising 101.190.901	1,000.00	+ 13.00	1,013.00
Clerk Salary 101.215.702	85,965.00	+ 264.56	86,229.56

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.
NAYS: None MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION AMENDING GENERAL FUND BUDGET FY 2009 AMENDMENT NO. 4 – BOARD OF REVIEW PER MEETING COMPENSATION.

Trudeau moved, Greenberg second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated general fund receipts within the township in December 15, 2008, for the next fiscal year, and, Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Board of Review Per Meeting Compensation 101.247.710	1,100.00	+216.00	1,316.00
Other General Government Contingency 101.285.951	36,609.00	-216.00	36,393.00

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Seppanen.
NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED

2009 PLANNING COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT.

Hill moved, Tabor second to accept the Planning Commission Annual Report of 2009.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

CAPITAL IMPROVMENT BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 7 FY2009 KBIC 2% MONEY DISBURSEMENT.

Hill moved, Tabor second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated Capital Improvement Fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or needed expenditures, it is necessary to modify the aforesaid budget between revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
KBIC 2% Gaming Money			
401.582	\$35,000.00	+\$61,145.65	\$96,145.65
EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Fire Department			
401.340.957	\$403,057.77	+49,395.61	\$452,453.38
Planning Department			
401.805.957	\$13,571.27	+1000.00	\$14,571.27
Police Department			
401.305.957	\$46,846.57	+10,750.00	\$57,596.57

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION AMENDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND BUDGET FY 2009 – AMENDMENT NO. 5 – FIRE DEPARTMENT FEDERAL GRANT - AIR COMPRESSOR SYSTEM.

Trudeau moved, Tabor second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated capital improvements fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Fire Department			
Capital Outlay			
401.340.957	\$372,221.77	+\$30,086.00	\$402,307.77
REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Due from Federal Grant			
401.501	\$0	+\$30,086.00	\$30,086.00

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Trudeau, Maki, Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION AMENDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND BUDGET FY 2009 – AMENDMENT NO. 6 – FIRE DEPARTMENT SCBA EQUIPMENT SALE.

Carlson moved, Tabor second that Whereas, a budget was adopted by the Chocolay Township Board to govern the expenditures of anticipated capital improvements fund receipts within the township on December 15, 2008 for the next fiscal year, and Whereas, as a result of unanticipated changes in revenues and/or revenues and expenditures, Now Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, that the aforesaid budget be hereby modified as follows:

EXPENDITURE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Fire Department			
Capital Outlay			
401.340.957	\$402,307.77	+\$750.00	\$403,057.77
REVENUE	PREVIOUS	CHANGE	AMENDED
Miscellaneous			
401.698	\$ 2,000.00	+\$750.00	\$ 2,750.00

ROLL CALL.

AYES: Tabor, Carlson, Hill, Trudeau, Maki, Greenberg, Seppanen.

NAYS: None

MOTION CARRIED

TOWNSHIP BOARD PACKET REQUEST.

We have had a request from a Zoning Board of Appeals board member for Township Board meeting packets. The Township Clerk will do research on how other units of government handle this and how they charge for the public. She will also look into putting the packet on the website.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Trustee Maki would like a breakdown in the Capital Improvements Fund by department explaining what project/purchase the money is set aside for and what the dollar amount is. Trustee Maki is hopeful that the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals will follow the law. A permit was issued for a sign after the sign was in place and he hopes that this will not happen in the future.

Treasurer Greenberg requests that the issue of hiring a manager come before the full board for discussion early in 2010 before we move forward with the hiring process.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

- A. Choclay Township Police Quarterly States – 3rd Quarter
- B. December Assessing Updates
- C. Township Assessing Net Version and Tax Programs
- D. Marquette Area Wastewater Treatment Facility Advisory Board minutes
- E. Marquette County Solid Waste Minutes

Supervisor Seppanen adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

Arlene E. Hill, CMC
Clerk

Mary L. Sanders, CMC
Deputy Clerk