

**Paradise Township  
Regular Meeting  
August 13, 2008  
Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 7:00p.m.; present: Dean, J. Sedlacek, M. Sedlacek, Whims; excused: Smith

**WHIMS/M. SEDLACEK**, to approve the Minutes of July 9, 2008 and Jul 16, 2008; **CARRIED 4:0**

**J.SEDLACEK/DEAN**, to approve the Minutes of July 31, 2008. **CARRIED 4:0**

**WHIMS/J. SEDLACEK**, to approve the Agenda with additions under New Business. **CARRIED 4:0**

**PUBLIC INPUT:** N/A

**REGULAR REPORTS:**

Ambulance: N/A

Fire: N/A

Sheriff: statistical report on file; Mr. Taylor discussed proposed modification of the junk ordinance which may enable stricter enforcement.

Planning Commission: N/A

County Association: N/A

Parks & Recreation: N/A

County Commissioner: Mr. Fleis discussed the County Commissioners' reversal of their earlier decision to increase membership on the GTC Road Commission from three (3) to five (5); further discussed the status of dams in the county; discussion with public and Board regarding road and dam issues.

Zoning Administrator: written report on file; Mr. Radtke gave an update on EMS Building: DEQ permits for water and sewer hookup have been received, as have soil erosion and MDOT permits; will be meeting with Village officials tomorrow to discuss water/sewer benefit fees; ground breaking is scheduled for 09-02-2008.

Assessor: N/A

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Recycle Bins: review of estimates for relocation of recycle bins to east end of parking lot; discussed the sunset date of 12-31-08 for the county recycling program; issue to be tabled until GTC Board of Commissioners makes a decision on whether or not to continue recycling in the county.

**WHIMS/M.SEDLACEK**, put the recycle bin relocation issue on hold.

**CARRIED 4:0**

2. Change Order (Rick Skendzel): possible change order for the EMS Station regarding use of Kingsley Lumber Company at additional contract cost of \$1,000, and eliminating the decontamination shower walls from the apparatus bay for a contract savings of \$5,000.

**WHIMS/M.SEDLACEK**, motion to not accept the change using Kingsley Lumber Company. **CARRIED 4:0**

**WHIMS/M.SEDLACEK**, to not accept this change order at this time but to consider the potential elimination of the decontamination shower to be discussed at the next meeting with the thought that it will not be constructed because we are reserving the funding for other contingencies. **CARRIED 4:0**

3. Road Mileage: discussed Grand Traverse County's recent change increasing reimbursable road mileage to \$.61 per mile.

**J.SEDLACEK/DEAN**, to leave the reimbursement rate in Paradise Township at \$.50 per mile as established at the annual budget meeting. **CARRIED 4:0**

4. Rural Fire Board: Discussed the recent letter sent to Grand Traverse Rural Fire regarding enforcement of the International Fire Code. Issue will be addressed at the next Rural meeting scheduled for 08/20/08 at their office on Vance Road.

5. Brine: Discussed dissatisfaction with the first application of brine to unpaved roads in Paradise Township

**J.SEDLACEK/WHIMS**, to pay one-half (1/2) of the invoice for the first application of brine on township roads. Roll call: Whims-yes, M. Sedlacek-yes, J. Sedlacek-yes, Dean-yes; **CARRIED 4:0**

6. Townline Road: Invoice for completion of Townline Road.

**M.SEDLACEK/WHIMS**, to pay for the paving of Townline Road as invoiced. Roll call: M. Sedlacek-yes, J. Sedlacek-yes, Dean-yes, Whims-yes;

**CARRIED 4:0**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Employee Handbook: review of changes made since adoption in January 2008; Robert will incorporate further changes as discussed.
2. By-Laws: receipt of proposed changes to Township By-Laws to be considered at the next meeting.

#### **REPORTS:**

Township Board reports received; written copies on file if applicable.

#### **PENDING BILLS:**

**WHIMS/M.SEDLACEK**, to approve the August 2008 bills for payment with the exception of Architecture Technology to be verified prior to payment.

Roll call: J. Sedlacek-yes, Dean-yes, Whims-yes, M. Sedlacek-yes.

**CARRIED 4:0**

**J.SEDLACEK/DEAN**, to approve the Parks & Recreation invoice for payment. Roll call: Dean-yes, Whims-yes, M. Sedlacek-yes, J. Sedlacek-yes. **CARRIED 4:0**

#### **PUBLIC INPUT:**

1. Phil Hamner: notification that the speed zone on Kingsley Road for the High School will be changed from 55 to 40 mph.

**WHIMS/M.SEDLACEK**, to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. **CARRIED 4:0**