

**CASTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP
ANNUAL MEETING
March 9, 2010 @ 8:30 p.m.**

The Annual Meeting of the Township of Castle Rock was convened at the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 8:30 p.m. Present were Arlyn Lamb, Norman and Joan Torbenson, Paul Irrthum, Norb Kuhn, John Day, Eric Ruud, Judy Solinger, Russ Zellmer, Steven Neil, Mark Henry, Mark Molitor, Ken Schentzel, Bob Dubbels, Sandy Weber, David Mumm, Pete Schaffer, Drea Doffing, Becky Ruud, Mike Kiefer, Mark Wagenknecht, Jane Bistodeau, Colette Mumm, Lee Pipho, Joyce Schaffer, Pat Pariseau.

Jane Bistodeau, Clerk, called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Clerk called for nominations for a moderator for the meeting. **Eric Ruud nominated Arlyn Lamb, Mark Henry seconded. Dave Mumm made a motion and Mike Kiefer seconded to close nominations and Arlyn Lamb was elected as Moderator. Motion carried.**

Arlyn Lamb, Moderator, asked for additions to the agenda. There being none, Eric Rudd made a motion and John Day seconded to accept agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Clerk, Jane Bistodeau read the 2009 Annual Meeting minutes. **Mark Henry made a motion and Eric Ruud seconded to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Colette Mumm gave a report for the year ending December 31, 2009. Savings account beginning balance \$53,015.12, receipts \$172,858.24, disbursements \$60,000.00, ending balance \$165,873.36. Checking account beginning balance \$110,567.21, receipts \$479,781.00, disbursements \$581,686.05, ending balance \$8,712.16. Capital Projects Fund total \$38,384.58. Total beginning cash bank accounts \$516,760.84, receipts 660,099.42, disbursements \$714,972.32, ending balance \$461,887.94. A detailed report of income and expenses and financial status is all recorded on pages eight, nine, ten, and eleven of the Annual Report of 2009.

Dave Nicolai made a motion and Russ Zellmer seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT

Pete Schaffer, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors introduced himself and Senator Pat Pariseau. The Chairman gave a report of topics addressed by the Board in 2009. The full report is on page 2 of the 2009 annual report. He pointed out that meetings of the Board of Supervisors are open meetings and invited the residents of the Township to come and be heard. **David Mumm made a motion and Eric Ruud seconded to approve the report. Motion carried.**

CLERK REPORT

Jane Bistodeau, Clerk, summarized the report regarding township activities. The full report is on page 3 of the 2009 annual report. **Eric Rudd made a motion and Dave Mumm seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT

Michael Kiefer, Supervisor with the Road Committee, gave a report of the road committee's work done during 2009. A complete report is on page 4 of the 2009 annual report. Discussion was held regarding the gravel that was added in June 2009 to Akron from 280th to ¼ mile north of 270th, and also on 240th east of Alverno. There was discussion that it is poor quality gravel and that crushed limestone would be better. Moderator Arlyn Lamb deferred the question and suggested it be added as an agenda item at a future Board of Supervisors meeting. **Eric Ruud made a motion and David Mumm seconded to approve the report. Motion carried.**

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Colette Mumm explained the communications report. The communication committee compiles and publishes the Castle Rock Chronicle. The full and complete report is on page 5 of the 2009 annual report. **Russ Zellmer made a motion and Drea Doffing seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

PARK COMMITTEE REPORT

Mark Molitor explained the park committee report. There was discussion of possible improvements to the south park, perhaps charcoal grills or picnic tables, or a gazebo. Also discussed that the committee would like to improve the ballfield at Countryside Park this year, and someday add a gazebo on the existing concrete slab. It was pointed out that at this time there is not much cash available for park improvements. The park committee is looking for volunteers to join the committee. The full park report is on page 7 of the 2009 annual report. **Dave Mumm made a motion and John Day seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

PLANNING COMMISSION

Sandy Weber, Chairman of the Planning Commission, read the report of the activities of the Planning Commission for 2009. The full report is on page 6 of the 2009 annual report. Pete Schaffer made mention grant money may be available in the Chub Lake area of the Township for stream bank and washout restoration and interested residents should contact the Soil and Water District at the County Extension office for information. **Russ Zellmer made a motion and Drea Doffing seconded to approve the report. Motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

None at this time - - left open for possible comments later.

NEW BUSINESS

Pete Schaffer wondered if Township elections should be held in conjunction with the general elections in the fall to save money. Jane Bistodeau suggested that the Supervisors network with other Townships before making that decision as once the change is made it cannot be reversed. Pete Schaffer asked if the Township has considered term limits for Township positions. Discussion was held, points being made pro and con – could be a problem if only one candidate files for a position, conversely change could be good if a candidate remains too long. No decision for change made at this time.

2010 BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

Colette Mumm, Treasurer, reviewed the proposed budget and levy for 2010, which is on page 9, 10, and 11 of the 2009 annual report.

General Fund: 2009 Budget \$125,935.00, Actual 2009 \$112,964.03, Proposed 2010 \$107,320.00. Colette explained the differences regarding the amount budgeted for legal and planner.

Road and Bridge Fund: Budget 2009 \$208,400.00, Actual 2009 \$190,431.32, Proposed 2010 \$179,100.00.

Fire and Ambulance: Budget 2009 \$77,300.00, Actual \$72,012.75, Proposed 2010 \$94,368.00.

Park Fund: Proposed 2010 \$3650.00.

Capital Projects: Cambodia Avenue reconstruction \$25,000.00, all funding out of Capital Improvement Project money at Anchor and Castle Rock Banks.

Proposed 2010 total expense \$413,938.00.

Income: Budget 2009 \$431,860.00, Actual 2009 \$383,932.33, Proposed 2010 \$413,938.00.

Unallotments will be \$9,899.00, or 3.6%, double the amount of 2009. Unallotments will come out of homestead credits first, then ag credits.

The Board of Supervisors had proposed a 3% levy increase at the reconvened Budget Meeting on March 8, 2010. Supervisor Pete Schaffer questioned the changes made to the budget from the previous night’s meeting. Discussion was held regarding the CIP money for the Cambodia upgrade. Mark Henry explained that the Board of Supervisors had requested a study of Cambodia to re-slope and clean out the ditches. Discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of putting all projects out for bid by at least one other bidder. Discussion was held proposing recessing the levy meeting until August. **Drea Doffing made a motion and Russ Zellmer seconded to approve the budget report for 2009, excluding the levy. Motion carried. Norbert Kuhn made a motion to reconvene the meeting August 3, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., Eric Ruud seconded. Motion carried.**

ELECTION RESULTS

SUPERVISOR A-THREE YEAR TERM

Russell Zellmer 196

SUPERVISOR B- THREE YEAR TERM

Dave Nicolai 179

Michael Kieffer 62

CLERK-ONE YEAR TERM

Jane Bistodeau 211

Total ballots cast: 241

Results are unofficial until after the Board of Canvass Report.

2011 ANNUAL MEETING

Dave Mumm made a motion and Bob Dubbels seconded to hold the 2011 annual meeting on the second Tuesday of March 2011 at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Eric Ruud thanked all the members who serve in all of the Township positions.

RECESS

Norbert Kuhn made a motion and Paul Irrthum seconded to recess the Annual Meeting to August 3rd, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Bistodeau, Clerk