

**CASTLE ROCK TOWNSHIP
ANNUAL MEETING
March 10, 2009**

The Annual Meeting of the Township of Castle Rock was convened at the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 8:20 p.m. Present were Mike Kiefer, Eric Ruud, Mark Wagenknecht, Lee Pipho, Joyce Schaffer, Paul Hoffman, Allen Hoffman, David Sodergren, Arlyn Lamb, Jana Kutnink, Casey Kimber, Randy Becker, Mary Kuhn, Paul Irrthum, Gary Pipho, Ken Schentzel, Steve Neil, Helen Cook, Greg Cook, Pete Schaffer, Robin Garlick, Drea Doffing, Russ Zellmer, Norb Kuhn, David Mumm, and Robert Dubbels.

Jane Bistodeau Clerk called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Clerk called for nominations for a moderator for the meeting. **Mark Wagenknecht was nominated, Gary Pipho made a motion and Ken Schentzel seconded to close nominations and Mark Wagenknecht was elected as Moderator. Motion carried.**

Mark Wagenknecht asked for additions to the agenda, there being none, Eric Rudd made a motion and Ken Schentzel seconded to accept agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Clerk, Jane Bistodeau read the 2008 Annual Meeting minutes. **Arlyn Lamb made a motion and Dave Mumm seconded to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Colette Mumm gave a report for the year ending December 31, 2008. Savings account ending balance \$53,015.12, checking account ending balance \$110,567.21. The Township's total cash and bank accounts \$516,760.84; total income \$807,508.96; total expense \$743,848.85, balance \$63,660.11. A detailed report of income and expenses and financial status is all recorded on pages nine, ten, eleven and twelve of the Annual Report of 2008.

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

ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT

Michael Kiefer, Supervisor with the Road Committee, gave a report of the road committee's suggestions and also work done on roads during 2008. Amend #4 to state .5 mile strip. A complete report is on page 5 of the 2008 annual report. **Russ Zellmer made a motion and Gary Pipho seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Arlyn Lamb read the communications report. The communication committee compiles and publishes the Castle Rock Chronicle. The full and complete report is on page 6 of the 2008 annual report. **Gary Pipho made a motion and Ken Schentzel seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

PARK COMMITTEE REPORT

Arlyn Lamb read the park committee report. The park committee is looking for volunteers to join the committee. The full park report is on page 7 of the 2008 annual report. **Dave Mumm made a motion and Eric Ruud seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT

Gary Piphon, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors gave a report of issues of the past year and some of the upcoming year. The full report is on page 2 and 3 of the 2008 annual report. **Russ Zellmer made a motion and Pete Schaffer seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

PLANNING COMMISSION

Norbert Kuhn, Chairman of the Planning Commission read the report of the activities of the Planning Commission board. The full report is on page 8 of the 2008 annual report. **Paul Irrthum made a motion and Gary Piphon seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

CLERK REPORT

Jane Bistodeau, Clerk read the report regarding township activities. The full report is on page 4 of the 2008 annual report. **Eric Rudd made a motion and Dave Mumm seconded to approve. Motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

Ken Schentzel mentioned March 19, 2009 Vermillion Watershed meeting at the Castle Rock Town Hall. Pete Schaffer mentioned the North Cannon Watershed meeting at Sciota Town Hall on March 18, 2009.

2009 BUDGET AND LEVY

Colette Mumm, Treasurer, reviewed the proposed budget and levy for 2009 which is on page 10, 11, 12 of the 2008 annual report. Discussion was held regarding about the fire charges from the Farmington Fire Department and the MN Township Association deductible. **Eric Ruud made a motion and Sandy Weber seconded to accept the \$284,000.00 levy for 2009 for a 5% levy increase. Motion carried.**

ELECTION RESULTS

SUPERVISOR D-THREE YEAR TERM

Drea Doffing 181

SUPERVISOR E- THREE YEAR TERM

Mary Kuhn 45

Mark Molitor 91

Gary Piphon 83

CLERK-ONE YEAR TERM

Jane Bistodeau 186

TOWNSHIP QUESTION-Should Clerk position be changed from appointed to elected?

Yes: 111

No: 106

Total ballots cast: 219

Results are unofficial until after the Board of Canvass Report.

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Gary Piphio made a motion and Russ Zellmer seconded to hold the 2010 annual meeting on the second Tuesday of March 2010 at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried.

ELECTION QUESTION

Discussion was held about the town question and how confusing it was.

Mark Wagenknecht thanked Gary Piphio for his service on the Board of Supervisors. Russ Zellmer thanked Arlyn Lamb for his years of service and Gary Piphio thanked Arlyn as well. Arlyn thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve with them.

ADJOURN

Russ Zellmer made a motion and Arlyn Lamb seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Bistodeau, Clerk