

3 January 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 16,859.75 Checking	\$258,320.50 Road Fund
	1,353.94 Money Market	
	111,981.62 CDs	
	<u>49,534.16 Fire Truck fund</u>	
	\$ 179,729.47 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE & OLD BUSINESS

The Clerk presented information on MTA seminar for Board of Review.

The Chairman reported that when J&P Heating returned to service the heating unit in the fire department it was working, so they didn't replace it.

USDA LOAN:

The Clerk reported that our application has been modified by USDA increasing the Federal portion of the financing to \$360,000, which should end up being a \$320,000 loan and a \$40,000 grant, and a down payment by the township of \$64,500.

Other items are now needed, including a corrected legal services agreement that needs to be on a USDA form, a self-evaluation and transitional plan of our hall and grounds to meet ADA and UFAS requirements and a copy of our audit engagement letter. The Clerk will submit the necessary documents. Funding still won't be available until at least February or March.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

As the Planning Commission has a regular meeting in January, we will wait until their meeting to appoint the terms that need replacing.

VANDERBILT SUMMER SCHOOL TAX:

Vanderbilt Schools has requested that Hudson Township collect summer taxes for their district. Because of continued financial difficulties, they are requesting a \$0.00 charge for the collection this year.

After discussion, the Board feels that the charge is minimal, and by collecting for the School, the township gives up the \$2.50/parcel collection fee from the State. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to enter into an agreement with Vanderbilt Area Schools to collect summer taxes for their school district at a rate of \$2.50 per parcel.

Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

BUDGET ITEMS:

Various budget lists were received and reviewed for the next fiscal year budget. The Clerk presented the current salary schedules for review, noting that some positions must be adjusted due to the large increase in the minimum wage. Comments and suggestions for the budget will be addressed at next month's meeting.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER:

Our County Commissioner, Ron Reinhardt, was present for an update of current happenings. Reinhardt reported that Camp Ten Road funding was not brought up at the Task Force meeting. Reinhardt also advised that he knows of an individual that is looking for a community to prepare a grant application for as part of a college class requirement. The Clerk will contact her. Shirley Roloff is the new Chairperson for the County Commissioners. The County Commissioners would like to conduct one of their regular meetings at our hall. The Board welcomed the idea.

The Clerk brought up once again the need to change the numbering of street addresses on Camp Ten Road. This is a problem that is not going to be resolved until one county re-numbers their section of the road. Reinhardt will bring up the issue with the new commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported that there were 5 runs during the month, four medical and one fire. On the way to the fire run, the bearing in the crankshaft of the pumper truck went out and the truck had to be towed. The estimated repair cost is approximately \$7,000. The Fire Chief was able to locate a loaner truck that will keep our department running. Pellston Fire Department is graciously letting us use an old vehicle that they just replaced.

Discussion followed on what to do with the pumper truck. It is sitting at Zarembo's at the present time. The Chief would like to remove the hose reel and pump from the vehicle to use possibly in the future on a brush truck.

Don Sevenski stated that he would like to purchase the truck. He spoke with Zaremba's and they said it's only worth about \$500. Sevenski would be willing to buy the truck for \$500 and disassemble the hose reel and pump for free.

The Board feels that since it's the disposition of a large township asset, the Chairman should first investigate the value of the truck. The Clerk recommended asking Zaremba's if we could keep it in their lot and placing a for-sale sign on it for whatever price the Board feels is appropriate. The Treasurer stated that it makes no sense to pay to have it towed back to our barn. The Chairman will also find the value of the truck as scrap iron.

The four new radios for the first responders have come in.

The Chairman stated that he has had a request to use the hall no charge for a charity benefit for a township resident facing some medical problems. The Board agreed there would be no problem with the use.

A motion by Terry Erber to pay the following bills. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#7301	3 Jan 07	State Assessors Board	Assessor Certification	\$75.00
#7302	" " "	Charlevoix County Equalization Dept	2006 Winter Tax Billing-983 tax bills	\$302.05
#7303	" " "	United States Treasury	941 Tax – 4 th Quarter	\$137.18
#7304	" " "	3 M B, Inc	Fire Dept – Gasoline	\$57.04
#7305	" " "	Shawn Bauman	Fire-Gas,Door Keypad,Flares	\$137.69
#7306	" " "	JP Heating of Northern Mich LLC	Furnace & AC maintenance	\$571.00
#7307	" " "	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – Hall & Fire	\$440.00
#7308	" " "	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$1,036.73
#7309	" " "	Amerigas Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire	\$902.97
#7310	" " "	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall	\$110.79
#7311	" " "	Zirnhelt & Bowron, PC	Hall Refund	\$25.00
#7312	" " "	Lorenda Sevenski	Hall Refund	\$125.00
#7313	" " "	Ross Payton	Trustee	\$69.26
#7314	" " "	Alice Tibaldi	Board of Review – 1 hour	\$6.88
#7315	" " "	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee	\$69.11
#7316	" " "	Joseph Sevenski	Custodian – 5 hours	\$31.47
#7317	" " "	Norman Mathers	Zoning Administrator	\$73.91
#7318	" " "	Joan Wasylewski	Hall Agent – quarterly	\$49.27
#7319	" " "	John Gray	Board of Review – 1 hour	\$7.38
#7320	" " "	Sharon Jepsen	Treasurer	\$446.04
#7321	" " "	Terry Erber	Supervisor	\$361.25
#7322	" " "	Marlene Guerin	Board of Review – 1 hour	\$7.00
#7323	" " "	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$413.47
#7324	" " "	Randi Oehlers	Fire Fighter / 1 st Responder	\$118.20
#7325	" " "	Shawn C Bauman	Fire Chief-Quarter – Fire runs	\$571.59
#7326	" " "	Tony Budzinski	Fire Fighter / 1 st Responder	\$221.64
#7327	" " "	Don Sevenski	Assistant Chief-Quarter - Fire runs	\$130.09
#7328	" " "	Clifford Gregware	Fire Fighter	\$184.70
#7329	" " "	Patsy Grubaugh-Clink	First Respond Coordinator(2 months)	\$221.68
#7330	" " "	Roger Sevenski	Fire Fighter	\$14.78
#7331	" " "	Sharon Jepsen	Fire Fighter / Med First Responder	\$197.10
#7332	" " "	Century Tel	Telephone	\$95.29
#7333	" " "	OTEC Radio Communication	Fire – 4 new radios	\$1,494.00

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Ross Payton All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m.

7 February 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 8,578.43 Checking	\$262,028.20 Road Fund
	1,358.66 Money Market	
	112,082.13 CDs	
	<u>50,897.52 Fire Truck fund</u>	
	\$ 172,916.74 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

The Treasurer advised that she was going to place the money from current tax collections for the new fire department debt into a CD as the banks have some good rates. Currently, Fifth Third Bank has CDs that pay 5.2% for 7 months.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Clerk advised that one of the terms that expired on the Planning Commission is the Township Board Representative. Currently, Trustee, Caroline Kobylczak is the township board representative and would like to remain on the Commission. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to reappoint Caroline Kobylczak to a three year term on the Hudson Township Planning Commission expiring 30 August 2009. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried. Alice Tibaldi's term has also expired, but she is currently out of town.

BOARD OF REVIEW:

The Clerk reported that Board of Review member, Marlene Guerin, notified him that she is most likely going to be out of town during Board of Review this year. Last year, a new law was passed that allows for alternate Board of Review members and so the Clerk asked Guerin if she would be willing to think of an alternate and ask them to serve in her place, which she did. A motion by Terry Erber to appoint former assessor, Frank Wasylewski, as an alternate Board of Review member for a two year term ending 31 December 2008. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

The Clerk presented amendments to the current fiscal year budget. After review, a motion by Frank D Wasylewski to amend the budget for fiscal year ending 31 March 2007 with estimated revenues of \$182,251 and proposed expenses of \$131,782. In the road fund, a projected March 31st balance of \$333,211.69. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

PROPOSED BUDGET:

The Clerk presented a proposed budget for the fiscal year ending 31 March 2008 for Board consideration. The proposed draft presented is pretty much consistent with previous years in both revenues and expenses, with the exception of fire department expenses. The Clerk proposed a new structure for the salary schedule for the fire department, which includes an increase for the chief and the assistant chief. After consultation with the Fire Chief, a tiered pay schedule was developed for run-pay based on the level of training of the individual. There are three levels of training in our department, Fire I, II and Medical First Responder. Members having one level of training would receive \$9/hour, two levels would receive \$10/hour and those with all three levels would receive \$12/hour when responding to a call.

The Clerk also presented a proposal to entice members to not only remain active with the department, but to attend meetings so as to be a better trained member. In house meetings will pay \$10 per meeting, with a maximum of twelve per year. Any trained member who attends at least 8 in house meetings per calendar year will receive a \$0.25/hour increase to their hourly "run" scale. The proposal also includes \$15 per meeting or class that members attend for training that leads to certification.

Board members will review the draft budget and contact the Clerk before the budget hearing if there are any proposed changes.

A motion by Terry Erber that Hudson Township Board conducts a public budget hearing on Wednesday, 7 March 2007, 7:00p.m. at the Hudson Township Hall to present and adopt a budget for Hudson Township for fiscal year 1 April 2007 through 31 March 2008. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST:

The Board needs to update who will serve as coordinator for any request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. A motion by Sharon Jepsen to appoint the Clerk, Frank D Wasylewski, to serve as the Freedom of Information Coordinator for Hudson Township. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried. The Clerk advised Board members that any request for information they might receive that states specifically under FOI must be immediately forwarded to his attention. We must respond within five days.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported that there were 5 runs during the month, all medical. Three members took part in various training exercises outside the department in ISO and NIMS.

Bauman contacted Aurora Energy following up on his request for another donation. The solicitation sounds hopeful. The Auxiliary purchased a new suction unit for the department.

The Chief is investigating the possibility of obtaining a vehicle from the DNR to convert to a grass rig.

Zaremba Equipment will remove the pump and hose stand from our old pumper for \$200. The Chairman is checking on various options for the disposal of the old pumper. Currently it has a for sale sign on it in Zaremba's lot.

The Clerk presented copies of a presentation listing the top 25 cited MIOSHA rules. The Board and Fire Chief will review at the next meeting if there is any areas that need addressing.

A motion by Terry Erber to pay the following bills. Seconded by Frank D Wasylewski. All in favor, motion carried.

#7334	18 Jan 07	Michigan Township Association	Board of Review Seminar-2 people	\$140.00
#7335	20 Jan 07	Michigan Township Association	Board of Review Manuals-2 people	\$54.00
#7336	26 Jan 07	Century Tel	Telephone	\$100.32
#7337	4 Feb 07	City of Charlevoix Fire Dept	Fire Training-2 people	\$100.00
#7338	7 Feb 07	Charlevoix Co Equalization Dept	Assessor – Section maps of township	\$180.00
#7339	“ “ “	U.S. Postal Service	Clerk – Postage	\$39.00
#7340	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk – Supplies (W-2 & Envelopes)	\$45.78
#7341	“ “ “	Michigan Assoc of Planning	Seminar 2 people & Membership	\$198.00
#7342	“ “ “	Young, Graham & Elsenheimer, PC	Zoning Attorney	\$52.00
#7343	“ “ “	Ron's Auto and Wrecker Service	Fire – Tow pumper truck	\$161.00
#7344	“ “ “	3 M B, Inc	Fire Dept – Gas	\$65.50
#7345	“ “ “	Zaremba Equipment, Inc.	Fire – Look at pumper truck	\$84.46
#7346	“ “ “	Business Micro Resource	Fire Dept – FireTools Software suppor	\$300.00
#7347	“ “ “	Gaylord Ford	Fire Dept – Service Rescue Van	\$26.90
#7348	“ “ “	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – 5 plows	\$400.00
#7349	“ “ “	Amerigas-Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire Hall	\$2,675.03
#7350	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall	\$111.10
#7351	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Custodian Supplies – hall	\$28.40
#7352	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.26
#7353	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee / Planning Commission	\$103.60
#7354	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Planning Comm Chair & 3 hr hall agt	\$64.55
#7355	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$446.04
#7356	“ “ “	Terence L Erber	Supervisor	\$361.25
#7357	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$413.47
#7358	“ “ “	Bound Tree Medical	Fire-Van supplies	\$463.53

A motion to adjourn by Terry Erber and supported by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:03p.m.

7 March 2007 Budget Hearing

Hearing called to order at 7:00p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Sharon Jepsen.

Absent: Caroline Kobylczak and Ross Payton.

There weren't any citizens present in the audience for the hearing.

The reason for the public hearing is to present and adopt a budget for Hudson Township for the fiscal year 1 April 2007 through 31 March 2008.

The Clerk presented the budget and reviewed the individual line items. Also presented on the budget are the prior completed fiscal year actual figures from the 2005/06 fiscal year, the current year projected budget and the proposed numbers for the next fiscal year.

There is a notable projected increase in the fire department expenses for the year. With the anticipated purchase of two new fire trucks there will be a \$64,500 down payment, as well as equipment to get them fully operational. There was also an overhaul to the salary schedule for the fire department.

The total revenues proposed are \$178,154, which is based on levying the maximum millage allowable to support the budget. Total proposed expenses are \$243,665, which includes \$64,500 accumulated in the fire truck fund.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Hudson Township adopt an operating budget for fiscal year 1 April 2007 through 31 March 2008, for proposed revenues and expenses of the general, fire and road funds of the township and

BE IT RESOLVED, that under Public Acts 40, 41 and 42 of 1995, the Township is authorized to levy the maximum allowable millage to support this budget after meeting the publication and public hearing requirements. The current millage rate being 4.9792 (.9896 allocated, .9896 fire protection, 1.0000 fire debt and 2.0000 roads) and

BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed revenues are anticipated to be \$178,154 and expenses of \$243,665, leaving a projected 31 March 2008 fund balance of \$206,430 and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the salaries of the officers of the board shall be: Supervisor \$4,650, Clerk \$5,900, Treasurer \$5,900 (which includes \$1,000 for summer tax collection) and Trustees \$900 each. The Fire Chief salary shall be \$1,500. All other positions shall be as per the Salary Schedule dated 1 March 2007.

BE IT RESOLVED, to adopt a budget for the Road Fund of \$74,740 projected revenues, and no projected expenses, with a projected 3/31/2008 balance of \$419,951.69.

A motion by Terry Erber to adopt the resolution, supported by Frank D Wasylewski.

ROLL CALL:	Frank D Wasylewski	Aye
	Sharon Jepsen	Aye
	Caroline Kobylczak	Absent
	Ross Payton	Absent
	Terry Erber	Aye

Resolution declared adopted this 7th day of March 2007.

The Chairman closed the hearing at 7:18 p.m.

7 March 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous month's meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 11,923.33 Checking	\$263,391.33 Road Fund
	11,301.00 Money Market	
	102,265.17 CDs	
	<u>50,897.52 Fire Truck fund</u>	
	\$ 176,387.02 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received notice from our attorney's office that they have added a new partner and the firm has been renamed Graham, Elsenheimer, Wendling & Kazim, P.C.

Received notice from Holly Kitson, Charlevoix County Equalization Department, regarding the naming of the private access portion of Reynolds Road that extends off of Kuzmik Road. The County would like this road to be named. The Clerk would like the Board to reply that once the Camp Ten Road duplicate number issue is addressed, we will then submit a Board resolution to name the private portion of Reynolds Road. The clerk will respond and send a copy to our County Commissioner, Ron Reinhardt, as well as the Otsego County Equalization Department.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to reappoint Alice Tibaldi to a three year term on the Hudson Township Planning Commission expiring 30 August 2009. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hudson Township Board will meet for its regular meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall.

The Hudson Township Planning Commission will meet at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall on:

24 April 2007	24 July 2007
23 October 2007	22 January 2008

The Parcel Division Committee will meet the first Monday of each moth, if needed, at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall.

A motion by Terry Erber to adopt the meeting schedule as presented, supported by Ross Payton.

ROLL CALL:	Caroline Kobylczak	Aye
	Terry Erber	Aye
	Ross Payton	Aye
	Frank D Wasylewski	Aye
	Sharon Jepsen	Aye

Resolution adopted this 7th day of March 2007.

SETTLEMENT DAY

The Treasurer is scheduled to settle tax collections with the County Treasurer March 15th. The Clerk and she will meet sometime after to balance the fiscal year end.

SPRING CLEAN UP

The Clerk contacted Waste Management and reserved a date for the Spring Clean Up. The clean up will be Saturday, May 5th. Waste Management will deliver 9, 40 cubic yard dumpsters at a rate of \$600 per load plus a delivery fee of \$125 per container. Marlene Guerin will ask Gary Stillson and Gary Holborn if they will help out with the clean up this year.

WEB PAGE

The Clerk reported that during February, Innovative Custom Technologies, Inc. (ICTNS) had a special on the creation of a web page offering a 25% discount. The total cost of the Web Site Design, including the first year of Web Hosting is \$2,650, less a discount of \$625.00. The current budget was switched replacing the Clerk's computer with the Web page. The Clerk and Treasurer met with a design artist to design the home page. Two proof copies were presented. As part of the contract, the Board has two rounds of revisions to the design presented. The Board made modifications to the design presented and the Clerk will contact ICTNS to proceed. We are hoping that the Web Page will be up and running by the time we seek bids for the new fire trucks. The

Clerk also presented an architectural scheme of information that the township would consider placing on line and asked everyone to review and make any other additions or revisions as they see fit. The Web Address for Hudson Township is www.hudson township.org.

BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE

The Clerk reported that he had received a brochure from Action Audits, LLC. Their firm performs feasibility studies of municipal areas to determine if a wireless broadband (Wi-Fi) system would be functional to offer as a service in the community. The Clerk requested further information on the services provided as well as projected expenses to implement such service in the township.

Bob Sepe of Action Audits replied and provided information of the process. The Township could provide Wi-Fi service to residents by placing transmitters and antennas most likely on the Fox Tower. The Capital investment would be approximately \$5,000-\$10,000 to cover a 4 mile radius. Homes would need to purchase an outside antenna and would be expected to pay up to \$200. This is a flat panel the size of a picture frame that is mounted outside or placed in a window facing the tower. The big recurring cost would be for a connection to the Internet, which could run between \$200 to \$2,000 per month. If there were 200 households willing to subscribe to 1Mb to 10Mb service for \$25/month, it would generate \$5,000/month, or \$60,000 per year. Seasonal or part time users can be offered a daily, weekly or monthly rate. Potentially, the service could pay for itself in approximately two years. Wi-Fi speed at 1Mb is about 100 times faster than a dial-up connection.

Mr. Sepe does not recommend offering e-mail service, as it is labor intensive. Basic connection only requires someone to install the home antenna if needed and network monitoring. There is little equipment service, as wireless equipment either works or it doesn't. The monitoring could be contracted out.

The feasibility that Action Audits determines is the service area and the number of people who could be served, as well as the number of households or people that are willing to commit to service. They also research the equipment needed and the actual capital costs, as well as how to connect to the Internet, whether by phone, cable or microwave. The cost of the feasibility study could be between \$15,000-\$20,000. The Clerk suggested that if it were something the township would consider pursuing, that a preliminary survey could be sent out to residents to see the general interest. The Clerk will first contact CenturyTel to see the status of DSL Internet service being offered in our township.

SNOW REMOVAL

The Chairman read a letter of complaint received from Joan Wasylewski that the walks are not being shoveled when the snow plowing is done. The walks only get shoveled if something is going on, like Bingo, however, when other meetings or events take place, the walks and the back door is not shoveled. She questions if it was part of the contract. Don Sevenski was present and advised that he only shovels on Wednesdays when there's bingo, unless he's called that something is going on. The Chairman advised that when he spoke with individuals about the requirements for plowing before they submitted their bids, shoveling each time the lot was plowed was part of the agreement. The Chairman told Don Sevenski to start shoveling each time he plows the lot.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, presented his monthly report of activities in the fire department. There were four runs during February, only one was medical.

USDA advises that the allocation for our state should be known by the end of the month.

The department would like to make some improvements to the building before the new trucks arrive. Items that need to be done are the installation of several electrical outlets, and improve other existing electrical issues. Have the floor surface redone, cabinets and files in the office, paint the interior of the hall, finish trim work and clean old equipment and apparatus that is outdated and not useable.

Medical Coordinator, Patsy Clink, performed a health and safety audit of the unit and issued a report of some areas that should be addressed. As there aren't any serious issues at this time, the Board will review and proceed with input from the Fire Chief.

Received a donation of \$800 from the Boyne Falls Polish Festival Committee. The Department members worked at the Polish Festival to earn the money.

Bauman contacted Aurora Energy to see if they were still going to make a donation this year and was advised that it should arrive shortly. Bauman would like to purchase a Thermal Imaging Camera for the department with the donation. Westshore Fire brought a camera to the hall and gave a demo of it. The cost without accessories is \$9,995. The camera would be a valuable tool to the department for not only fires, but such things as search and rescues as well. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski that Hudson Township purchase a Thermal Imaging Camera from Westshore Fire for \$9,995, plus accessories, contingent on receiving a donation from Aurora Energy. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Terry Erber to pay the following bills. Motion seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

#759	14 Feb07	Innovative Custom Technologies,Inc	Web Site Design, ½ down, webhostin	\$1,087.50
#7360	26 Feb07	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$94.66
#7361	27 Feb07	MTA (class cancelled, returned void)	Zoning Board of Appeals Sem.2 peopl	VOID
#7362	28 Feb07	U.S. Postal Service	Assessor-Postage	\$390.00
#7363	7 Mar 07	Frank D Wasylewski	Assessor-Supplies,printcrtgd&binders	\$91.00

#7364	7 Mar 07	The Trophy Case	Fire Dept-Badge & Id tags	\$69.00
#7365	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire Dept-Dry Erase Board	\$116.59
#7366	“ “ “	3 M B, Inc.	Fire Dept- Gasoline	\$155.26
#7367	“ “ “	Wilber Automotive	Fire Dept-Fuel Filter for pumper	\$27.01
#7368	“ “ “	State of Michigan	Fire Dept-New license plates(3 vhcles	\$15.00
#7369	“ “ “	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – February 4 plows	\$320.00
#7370	“ “ “	AmeriGas – Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire	\$1,460.22
#7371	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage	\$116.78
#7372	“ “ “	Michigan Association of Planning	Membership Fee-Caroline Kobylczak	\$30.00
#7373	“ “ “	Petoskey News Review	Publications – Budget Hearing	\$65.40
#7374	“ “ “	John Kurbis	Planning Comm. Work Mtg	\$20.14
#7375	“ “ “	Ross Payton	Trustee	\$69.26
#7376	“ “ “	Alice Tibaldi	Planning Commission	\$21.56
#7377	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee / Planning Commission, 2mtg	\$119.99
#7378	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Planning Commission. 2 work mtgs	\$49.27
#7379	“ “ “	Sharon Jepsen	Treasurer	\$446.04
#7380	“ “ “	Terrence L Erber	Supervisor	\$361.25
#7381	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$413.47

A motion by Terry Erber to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:52p.m.

30 March 2007 - Settlement Day

#7382	28Mar07	Hudson Twp Road Fund	Tax Collections – Road Fund	\$71,723.27
#7383	30Mar07	Radio North LLC	Fire Dept – Radio Battery	\$57.00
#7384	“ “ “	Amerigas – Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire	\$2,664.81
#7385	“ “ “	KSS Enterprises	Hall –Custodian supplies,floor cleaner	\$192.07
#7386	“ “ “	US Dept of Treasury/Independent Bk	941 tax deposit – 1 st quarter	\$615.52
#7387	“ “ “	John Kurbis	Planning Commission-2 work mtgs	\$49.27
#7388	“ “ “	Anna B Wasylewski	Assessor – 1066 parcels @ \$7.75	\$7,661.96
#7389	“ “ “	Alice Tibaldi	Brd of Review 3 days-Pl Comm 1 mtg	\$172.46
#7390	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Planning Commission-2 work mtgs	\$49.27
#7391	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Planning Commission-2 work mtgs	\$49.27
#7392	“ “ “	John C Gray	Board of Review – 3 days	\$138.52
#7393	“ “ “	Sharon Jepsen	Treasurer – Balance	\$449.98
#7394	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor – Balance	\$346.25
#7395	“ “ “	Marlene G Guerin	Board of Review – 3 days	\$142.04
#7396	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk – Balance	\$819.67
#7397	“ “ “	Randi Oehlers	Fire Dept – Oxygen	\$24.00

4 April 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the Budget Hearing. A motion by Terry Erber to accept the minutes of the Budget Hearing as read, seconded by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous month's meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 78,618.34 Checking	\$263,391.33 Road Fund
	11,340.69 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt Fund
	<u>50,897.52</u> Fire Truck fund	
	\$ 248,234.98 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

MTA Spring District meeting will be held May 22nd in Gaylord. The Trustees expressed an interest in attending.

Received a request from the Charlevoix County Humane Society for a contribution to support the Humane Society's budget. The Township cannot make a donation, but will ask the Auxiliary if it is something they might consider.

State of Michigan, Department of Management and Budget, State Surplus Services is hosting an auction of miscellaneous surplus property on May 19th in Traverse City and invite our township to sell any surplus property at the same time for a minimal service fee. The state provides the auctioneer. There are a few items that the township could dispose of, including office equipment from the chief's office. The Chairman suggested we just set it out during the spring clean up and see if we can sell it that way.

The Chairman reported that Sheriff Lasater would like a letter of support from the township for his department to hire a summer deputy to patrol the beaches in the county.

SPRING CLEAN UP

The Chairman reported that Ross Payton will donate the use of his backhoe to help load the dumpsters and compact the trash for the spring clean up on May 5th.

We will send out a newsletter so that people know the time and date.

WEB PAGE

The Clerk reported that the township's new website should be active during the next week. It is the intent to place our new fire truck bidding specifications on our new website. The Chief will send out notices to potential bidders notifying them that the bid specs can be accessed on line with the complete bidding package.

BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE

The Clerk reported that he had further discussion with Bob Sepe from Action Audits, LLC regarding the feasibility of offering a wireless broadband (Wi-Fi) Internet service to the community. Sepe believes that it is possible to do in this area. The Clerk also contacted CenturyTel Telephone Service and spoke with a manager about the likelihood that DSL or any other Internet service would be offered in Hudson Township any time soon. While CenturyTel caters to rural areas, there is no plan in the near future to expand the service. However, they encourage people to call in and request that they be placed on the expansion list for DSL service so that if there's enough interest in an area, they would then consider providing the service.

USDA LOAN

The Chairman and Clerk met with Blake Smith, USDA Community Program Specialist today to finalize conditions and sign the necessary paperwork to obligate funds for our new fire trucks. The Township has been awarded a low interest loan of \$320,000 at 4.125% and a grant of \$40,000 from the USDA. The funds will be formally obligated after 7 days, as our Federal Legislators get the option of first releasing a press statement. After that time, we will be eligible to seek bids. There are a few requirements that must now be completed. Smith completed an inspection of the hall for ADA requirements. The lot must be re-striped to add van accessible handicap parking, with new signage. In the bathrooms, the pipes under the sinks must be wrapped so that a hot water pipe cannot burn individuals in wheelchairs. In the fire department, the entrance into the shower must be cut down so that there is no more than a 1/2" lip. . We have three years to complete the repairs. Other requirements include, \$64,500 down payment at closing. A non-interest bearing checking account must be set up for the grant funds until they are dispersed, interest cannot be made on grant funds. All township publications and letters are to contain the verbiage "Hudson Township is an equal opportunity provider." A fidelity bond must be purchased to cover the officers in the amount of the annual loan payment, which is right around \$30,000.

CAMP TEN ROAD NUMBERING

Received a response from Tom Wolf, Director of Equalization for Charlevoix County, regarding the numbering of Camp Ten Road. The recommendation to the Township is that Camp Ten Road in Charlevoix County be changed to North Camp Ten Road from the intersection of Thumb Lake Road to the Charlevoix/Otsego County Line. Otsego County will suggest to their Road Commission that they re-name Camp Ten Road in their county to South Camp Ten Road. Charlevoix County Road Commission is in agreement with the renaming of the road. Hopefully, this renaming will resolve the issue. The residents of the road would have to begin using the new name.

The Clerk reported that he spoke with both, County Commissioner, Ronald Reinhardt and Road Commission Manager, Pat Harmon. They both expressed that this is the easiest solution. The Clerk advised that he told them it might be the easiest solution, but not the best. It will "officially" solve the problem, but the reality of people using the road and the duplicated numbers will still be confusing and prone to errors.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Clerk presented and reviewed the Financial Statements for Hudson Township for Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2007. Cash on hand in the general fund was \$248,234.98, in the road account \$335,574.47 and in the new fire debt account \$35,859.47.

Total general fund revenues for the year were \$157,358.18 and expenses were \$130,595.58.

A motion by Terry Erber to accept the financial statements of Hudson Township for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2007. Motion supported by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Clerk reported that he received a message from Dean Reynolds that he resigned from the Planning Commission because of personal reasons. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the resignation of Dean Reynolds from the Hudson Township Planning Commission effective 4 April 2007. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried. We will post the open position.

ASSESSOR COMPLAINT

A letter of complaint was received from Don Sevenski regarding the Assessor. Don states that he is the only one of maybe, 50 small businesses in the township that receives a personal property tax statement from the assessor and that he is being grossly discriminated against and the recipient of unjust taxation by the assessor. Don states that he attended Board of Review and was told by the Board that they agreed that he was being discriminated against and has it in writing. He demands that further disciplinary action be taken by the Township Board against the assessor so as to eliminate future discrimination by the assessor. Don would like a written response.

Don Sevenski was also present at the meeting and further advised that he spoke with Tom Wolf, Director of Equalization for Charlevoix County, as well as his attorney. Don stated that if the Township doesn't correct this problem, there could be large penalties of at least \$1,000 per business against the township. Don wants his business to be removed from getting personal property tax statements. Don Sevenski wants a response from the township board that the assessor will be removed, straightened out, or instructed not to send out personal property tax forms unless she sends them to everyone.

The Chairman advised that Board of Review petitions go to the Michigan Tax Tribunal, and not resolved by the Township Board.

The Clerk advised members on the process of personal property tax. Businesses are obligated to report to the assessor the personal property that they have as of December 31st of each year, regardless if they receive a form or not. The form is blank and the business completes the form with the amount of equipment and such that they need to pay tax on. The value, which is reported by the business, also depreciates each year, and the first \$1,000 of property is exempted from tax, which results in most small businesses owing no tax, or very little. The Clerk also reported that last year we paid Charlevoix County for the printing of 26 personal property tax forms. Don stated that he knows his father's business, Jack's Well Drilling as well as Mark Crego's company doesn't get a form. The Clerk asked if he would provide the list of businesses that he feels should be receiving a form, but he declined.

The Treasurer would like to follow up on the issue. She will contact Tom Wolf to follow up on Don's complaint. The Board will respond at the May meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, was not present, but submitted a written report.

A check from Aurora Oil & Gas Corporation in the amount of \$10,000 was received as a donation toward the purchase of new equipment for the fire department. A thermal imaging camera has been ordered.

There was one medical run during the month of March.

The Chairman received an offer from Mike Coulter Used Trucks & Equipment for the purchase of the fire pumper for \$1,500. His offer is good for 10 days. The Chairman reported that the scrap value for the truck is \$1,180. Don Sevenski stated that the Board couldn't sell it because it was going to be offered by sealed bids. The Clerk read Don the minutes from the January meeting stating that the Board was going to place a for sale sign on the truck and that at that meeting Don offered to pay \$500 for the truck. The truck has had a for sale sign on it at Zaremba's lot. The Treasurer asked Don if he wanted to raise his price and he declined. Don thinks the truck should be offered to all township residents first, as his Dad was also interested in purchasing it. The Chairman stated that he had asked Don to speak with his father today, and that if he couldn't, then he would call him. Don did not talk to his father. A motion by Terry Erber to sell the 1982 GMC Fire Truck for the amount of \$1,500 to

Mike Coulter Used Trucks & Equipment of Lapeer Michigan. The truck is sold as is, where is, less the pump and reel and battery charger. Motion seconded by Frank D Wasylewski. All in favor? 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.

A motion by Terry Erber to pay the following bills and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#7398	4 Apr 07	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$93.94
#7399	“ “ “	Charlevoix Co Equalization Dept	Assessing Forms & Rolls	\$295.25
#7400	“ “ “	MetLife of Connecticut	Pension Contribution	\$4,057.04
#7401	“ “ “	Municipal Retirements Systems	Pension Administration	\$190.00
#7402	“ “ “	Wilber Automotive Supply	Fire Dept-2 new fire extinguishers	\$138.00
#7403	“ “ “	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – March (one time)	\$80.00
#7404	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$903.38
#7405	“ “ “	Dunn’s Business Solutions	Hall – paper for copy machine	\$29.90
#7406	“ “ “	Waste Management	Hall – garbage	\$117.11
#7407	“ “ “	Ross Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7408	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire Chief – quarterly	\$347.60
#7409	“ “ “	Donald Sevenski	Assistant Chief – quarterly	\$107.35
#7410	“ “ “	Patsy Grubaugh-Clink	First Responder Coordinator – quarter	\$150.39
#7411	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee	\$68.88
#7412	“ “ “	Norman Mathers	Zoning Administrator – quarterly	\$65.91
#7413	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall Agent – quarterly	\$39.27
#7414	“ “ “	Charlevoix Co Fire Officers Assoc	Fire – Dues & OHD Fit test calibratio	\$70.00

A motion by Terry Erber to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:32p.m.

2 May 2007 Regular Meeting

In the absence of the Supervisor, the meeting was called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by Clerk, Frank D Wasylewski. The Board chose the Clerk to Chair the meeting.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

Absent: Terry Erber

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak and seconded by Sharon Jepsen to accept the minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 83,190.16 Checking	\$335,574.47 Road Fund
	11,373.25 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt Fund
	<u>50,897.52</u> Fire Truck fund	
	\$ 252,839.36 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received notice from the Road Commission that they will again this year continue their gravel policy as well as the seal coat policy. They will not be offering the asphalt share policy this year, and unless funding issues change, they do not expect to offer it any time soon.

MTA sent letters to Township Board members throughout the state reporting on various legislative issues regarding township government. There are many ideas circulating to abolish townships, limit their functions, or consolidate them in attempts to balance State budget problems. It is very highly probable that legislation will soon be introduced to shift election administration, tax collections and assessing to the counties. Townships must let their legislators know the importance of local government.

SPRING CLEAN UP

Spring Clean Up will be Saturday, May 5th. Ross Payton will donate the use of his backhoe. Gary Holborn and Gary Stillson will help unload.

BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE

The Clerk reported that he had received further information from Bob Sepe from Action Audits, LLC regarding the feasibility of bringing wireless broadband (Wi-Fi) Internet service to our township. Sepe believes there would be ways to bring high-speed service from the I-75 corridor over to our township. It was also discovered that CenturyTel Telephone currently serves areas of our township with DSL service. The Clerk contacted the local CenturyTel Supervisor, Dusty Bragg, for information. Bragg advised that while there are no immediate plans to install the service, the next leg of service would be at the box on the north side of Huffman Lake. Bragg advised that the Township submit an official request for service, which he could then take to his supervisors for consideration. Bragg did recommend that people interested in the service should contact CenturyTel so that they know people have an interest in DSL.

FIRE TRUCK BIDS

Requests for bids for the purchase of two new fire trucks were posted on our new website with a bid opening of 8p.m. tonight. One bid and one letter declining to bid was received. HME, Incorporated submitted a bid of \$333,283.00 for the pumper and \$199,844.00 for the tanker. An alternate pumper and tanker bid was also submitted.

The Board and Fire Chief will review the proposals and will conduct a special township board meeting on Saturday, 12 May 2007, 10:00a.m. to act on the bids.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Clerk reported that he had a call of interest for the planning commission, which later declined as she was relocating with her job. We are still in need of another member.

REYNOLDS ROAD NAMING

Charlevoix County Equalization Department has requested that the township name the private portion of Reynolds Road. The name has been discussed in the past. As the drive is a natural continuance of Reynolds Road, and the Road Commission does not have a problem with it, Reynolds Road Private Drive is most reasonable, especially if the road ever becomes upgraded and turned over to the County. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski that the private access drive that extends off of Kuzmik Road, and due westerly from Reynolds Road in Sections 30 & 31, and now referred to as Reynolds Road, be named Reynolds Road Private Drive. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported that there were five medical and three fire runs last month.

The DNR has granted us the use of a 5/4 ton truck for a brush truck. We are required to letter it, insure it and install a water tank on it. This truck belongs to the DNR and must be returned to them whenever we decide to dispose of it. We have a light bar from a previous vehicle and we will need to purchase a siren. Bauman received a quote on a 150-gallon poly drop-in skid tank from United Plastic Fabricating, Inc (UPF) that will accommodate the needs for this truck. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to purchase a 150-gallon poly drop-in skid tank for use on the new 5/4 ton truck from UPF for \$1,596.02. Motion seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried. Bauman also received quotes on other maintenance work needing completion in the fire department. An estimate for electrical work was received from A+ Electrical & Handyman Services in the amount of \$1,014.82 to relocate the sub panel from the storage room into the fire department, add 2 electrical strips in the office, install an exit sign, one quad duplex outlet, add 5 ceiling outlets, ground fault outlets on walls and add a new receptacle for generator backup. A proposal for \$3,465.60 (\$1.90/sq ft) was received from Custom Coatings, Inc. to install an epoxy coating to the fire department floors. This price also includes all preparation of the floor to make the epoxy adhere. This same firm also submitted a proposal to paint the walls and ceiling of the fire department, including repairing all holes and scratches, priming and painting with two coats of acrylic paint for the flat rate sum of \$1,950.00

A motion by Sharon Jepsen to contract Custom Coatings, Inc, to repair the fire department floor and install an epoxy coating in the amount of \$3,465.00, and to paint the walls and ceilings for \$1,950.00. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the estimate submitted by A+ Electrical and Handyman Services in the amount of \$1,014.82 to relocate the sub-panel and other electrical work in the fire department. Motion supported by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

The new thermal imaging camera was received and the Chief gave a brief demonstration of its use.

Marlene Guerin suggested that the Board should consider placing a contribution plaque in the hall to acknowledge contributions made by people for such things as the fire department.

The hose reel, pump and battery booster have been removed from the pumper.

Bauman presented three applications for new members, Lucas Goodwin, Carolyn Amman and Katrena Grubaugh. Discussion on training options. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept Lucas Goodwin, Katrena Grubaugh and Carolyn Amman, to the Hudson Township Fire Department on a probationary status pending training.

Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

3-M gas will no longer allow charges for gas. The Clerk will apply for an in-store charge at the Boyne Falls E-Z Mart.

The Chief reported that he would seek turnout gear on the DNR grant.

A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to pay the following bills and seconded by Frank D Wasylewski. All in favor, motion carried.

#7415	23 Apr07	US Postal Service	Postage – Newsletter	\$39.00
#7416	“ “ “	Wal-Mart	Fire Dept – supplies	\$96.10
#7417	“ “ “	Petoskey News Review	Publications – Board of Review	\$346.50
#7418	“ “ “	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$91.86
#7419	2 May 07	Charlevoix Fire Officers Assoc	Fire Dept – Fire Test Reading	\$50.00
#7420	“ “ “	Bullard	Fire – Thermal Imager Camera	\$10,490.00
#7421	“ “ “	Zaremba Equipment Inc	Fire – Remove hose reel from pumper	\$140.76
#7422	“ “ “	AmeriGas Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire	\$1,373.66
#7423	“ “ “	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – April, one plow	\$80.00
#7424	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall	\$119.24
#7425	“ “ “	Morning Star Publishing Co	Hall Advertising – one year	\$643.24
#7426	“ “ “	ICTNS	Website – Balance	\$937.50
#7427	“ “ “	Kelly Bauman	Hall Refund	\$50.00
#7428	“ “ “	Heath DePue	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#7429	“ “ “	Julie Modrzynski	Hall Refund	\$125.00
#7430	“ “ “	John Kurbis	Planning Commission	\$30.29
#7431	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7432	“ “ “	Alice Tibaldi	Planning Commission-work meeting	\$22.64
#7433	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee/Pl Comm Regular & work mtg	\$125.04
#7434	“ “ “	Joseph A Sevenski	Custodian 39 hours @ \$8.75	\$311.30
#7435	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Plan Comm Chair/work mtg/hall agt	\$79.93
#7436	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7437	“ “ “	Terrence L Erber	Supervisor	\$364.50
#7438	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7439	“ “ “	Municipal Underwriters of Mich	FHA Bond – 1 year	\$88.00

A motion to adjourn by Sharon Jepsen, and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:08p.m.

12 May 2007 Special Meeting

In the absence of the Supervisor, the meeting was called to order at 10:05a.m. in the Fire Department by Clerk, Frank D Wasylewski.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

Absent: Terry Erber

The purpose of the meeting was to review and act on the quotations received from the May 2nd bid opening for the purchase of two new fire trucks for the fire department.

Only one bid was received from HME, Incorporated in the amount of \$333,283.00 for the pumper truck and \$199,844.00 for the tanker truck as per our bid specifications. An alternate bid was also submitted by HME for a pumper truck at \$219,997.00 and a tanker for \$150,523.00. Total bid is \$533,127 as specified, or \$370,520 for the alternates. The project estimate was \$400,000 total plus \$24,000 for equipment.

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reviewed the bid details and presented the Board his suggestions. The spec package is more than \$130,000 over budget. The alternate truck has a six-person cab, no compressed air, 500 gallons less water volume and a side mount pump, as opposed to a top mount. Bauman does not think that the alternate truck is feasible for our use.

After the bid results of May 2nd, the Clerk contacted Legal Services to discuss our options. We are not obligated to accept the only bid received if it is not for the good of the township.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to reject the sole bid submitted from HME, Incorporated, because it exceeds our projected budget and does not meet our specified bid specifications. Motion seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion followed on how to proceed, including whether our bid specifications should be changed so that we receive bids within our projected budget. The Board does not feel that the bid specifications should be changed at this time as they meet our needs and we did not receive enough bids to feel that they should be altered.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to request bids for the purchase of two new fire trucks, using the same bid specifications previously posted on the website, allowing at least 30 days for the submittal of bids. Bids will be received and read aloud at a special township Board Meeting on Friday, June 15th, 7:00p.m. with action on the bids being taken at the Regular July Meeting. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 10:37a.m.

6 June 2007 Regular Meeting

Chairman, Terry Erber, called the meeting to order in the Township Hall at 7:30p.m.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Sharon Jepsen.

Absent: Ross Payton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak and seconded by Terry Erber to accept the minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

The Clerk read the minutes of the May 12th Special Meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak, and seconded by Sharon Jepsen, to accept the minutes of the special meeting as read. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 83,586.40 Checking	\$335,829.67 Road Fund
	11,405.15 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt Fund
	<u>50,897.52</u> Fire Truck fund	
	\$ 253,267.50 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

MTA is sponsoring a Zoning Workshop July 24th in Gaylord, the same night as the Planning Commission meeting. The Board will encourage the members to attend the seminar in place of their meeting.

During the month, MTA notified township officials encouraging them to contact their representatives and express their opinions regarding Bills 4780-88 that lawmakers in the State House were introducing. These Bills would shift all tax collection, election and assessing functions from township control to county control,. Fortunately, the Bills were not presented for a vote, but the issue is far from over. Townships are encouraged to continue to contact their Representatives to let them know the importance of local government.

RESIGNATION

A letter of resignation was received from Alice Tibaldi. Due to health reasons, Tibaldi is resigning from the Planning Commission and the Board of Review. A motion by Terry Erber to regretfully accept the resignation of Alice Tibaldi from the Hudson Township Planning Commission and the Board of Review, effective 6 June 2007. Motion seconded by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

BOARD MEETINGS

There will be a special meeting of the Township Board on Friday, 15 June 2007, 7:00p.m. in the Township Hall to open and read aloud bids for the purchase of two new fire trucks.

The Regular July Meeting falls on Independence Day and will therefore be held, Thursday, July 5th at 7:30p.m.

DONATIONS

Received a donation from the Huffman Lake Property Owners Association to cover the expenses of the ~~three~~ two grilles that were purchased for the Huffman Lake Township Park last year. (Minutes corrected 7/5/2007).

Joan Wasylewski, President of the Township Auxiliary, requested permission to install horseshoe pits in the back playground area. The Auxiliary will fund the project. The pits will be installed parallel with the basketball court on the back property line. The Board approved, and appreciates the donation from the Auxiliary.

ROADS

The Board discussed plans for future road improvements. The Clerk would like to see Woodward Road paved, as it is a major road that crosses the center of the township. While paving the complete road would be the best option, it would be more realistic to extend the asphalt to Bows Lake Road, which is just over a mile. The Treasurer doesn't like paving little sections at a time. The Chairman doesn't want to spend the money on just one road and would like to see all the roads graveled first. He reported that Boyne Valley Township graveled their roads and they are in very good shape. Before making a final decision, the Board would like to obtain estimates from the Road Commission for both, paving and gravel. The Clerk will submit a request to the County Road Commission for paving and gravel estimates.

OTHER BUSINESS

Web search topics are needed for our website search engines.

The Clerk contacted Rick Eubank about striping the parking lot and basketball court, asking for suggestions to better identify the parking issues by the fire department. Eubank will submit a proposal.

Shawn Bauman will follow up on a new sign at the cemetery.

Custodian, Joe Sevenski, reported that people residing on Huffman Lake are using the dumpster at the township park for their household waste. The Board advised that he should contact the Sheriff Department as it is illegal to dump household trash in a dumpster.

The Custodian also requested a sign for the pavilions stating that the picnic tables are not to be moved. The tables are too heavy for one person to move back.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, presented two applications for individuals willing to serve on the Department as Medical First Responders. A motion by Terry Erber to accept the applications of Kari Jepsen and Jessica Wagle to the Hudson Township Fire Department on a probationary status pending training effective 6 June 2007. Motion supported by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion on the overall status of the Department. While there are always issues to contend with, the Board feels that the overall leadership and unity of the department has made great improvements and hopes it will continue, especially with all the new equipment and improvements being done.

The electrical work has been completed. The walls and ceiling have been painted and the floor has been coated with epoxy. The Chief will be picking up the cabinets for the office on Friday. The members of the department have been painting the doors and trim.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to pay the following bills and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#7440	5 May 07	Gary Holborn	Spring Clean up	\$85.00
#7441	“ “ “	Gary Stilson	Spring Clean up	\$85.00
#7442	11May07	A+ Electrical & Handyman Service	Fire Dept – ½ down Move sub panel	\$600.00
#7443	12May07	Boyne Falls EZ Mart	Fire Dept – gasoline	\$58.00
#7444	15May07	Charlevoix County Treasurer	Repay personal tax paid in error	\$313.03
#7445	19May07	A+ Electrical & Handyman Service	Fire Dept – balance on electrical work	\$414.82
#7446	24May07	Surface Tech Seamless, Inc.	Fire Dept - ½ down paint walls & ceil	\$975.00
#7447	“ “ “	Custom Coatings, Inc.	Fire Dept – ½ down epoxy floor	\$1,732.50
#7448	31May07	Boyne Falls EZ Mart	Fire Dept – Gasoline	\$77.00
#7449	1 June 07	Century Tel	Telephone	\$91.42
#7450	6 June 07	Dunn's Business Solutions	Fire Dept – power strips	\$19.99
#7451	“ “ “	Surface Tech Seamless, Inc.	Fire Dept – balance to paint walls/ceili	\$975.00
#7452	“ “ “	Custom Coatings, Inc.	Fire Dept – balance for epoxy floor	\$1,732.50
#7453	“ “ “	Sharon Jepsen	Fire Dept – gasoline	\$60.01
#7454	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Fire Dept – paint & supplies	\$70.54
#7455	“ “ “	Advance Electric	Fire Dept – electrical supplies	\$81.67
#7456	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – hall	\$120.23
#7457	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall – custodian supplies	\$105.88
#7458	“ “ “	Carrie Keller	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7459	“ “ “	Deb Cottle	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7460	“ “ “	Terry Erber	Hall refund	\$125.00
#7461	“ “ “	Michigan Townships Association	Dues 2007/08	\$580.30
#7462	“ “ “	John Kurbis	Planning Commission-work meeting	\$24.64
#7463	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7464	“ “ “	Anna B Wasylewski	Land Division Board	\$22.64
#7465	“ “ “	Caroline M Kobylczak	Trustee / Planning Comm work mtg	\$91.52
#7466	“ “ “	Joseph A Sevenski	Custodian 12hrs @ \$8.75 ,31hrs@\$15	\$526.73
#7467	“ “ “	Norman Mathers	Land Division Board	\$22.64
#7468	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Plan Comm work mtg/Hall agent 1hr	\$31.26
#7469	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7470	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor / Land Division Board	\$387.50
#7471	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39

A motion by Terry Erber to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:27p.m.

15 June 2007 Special Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by the Supervisor, Terry Erber, in the Fire Hall.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

The purpose of the meeting was to open and read aloud bids received for the purchase of two new fire trucks for the fire department.

Seven vendors submitted bids. HME previously submitted a bid and submitted a letter stating that the bid proposal could be extended another 30 days.

The Clerk informed the bidders that the Board would read all bids aloud, and then review them seeking advice from the Fire Chief, with the intent of awarding the bids at the July 5th Regular Meeting.

The following bids were opened and read aloud by the Chairman.

Bidder	1500 gallon pumper/tanker	2000 gallon tanker
Welch Fire Equipment Marion, Wisconsin	\$313,936	\$155,936
Great Lakes Emergency Vehicles Owosso, MI	\$317,514	\$190,118
Spencer Manufacturing, Inc South haven, MI	\$312,633	\$168,211
Rosenbauer Firefighting Technology (Frontline) Lyons, South Dakota	\$309,096	\$180,952 Alternate \$157,678
W.S. Darley & Co (Circle K Service) Midland, MI	\$290,691	\$182,663 Alternate \$115,597
CSI Emergency Apparatus, LLC Grayling, MI	\$326,497	\$179,465
LTM Fire Equipment Auburn Hills, MI	\$240,596 No CAFS	\$184,550

The Chairman asked if any bidders wished to comment or add additional information regarding their bid, none did.

With no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 7:13p.m.

5 July 2007 Regular Meeting

Chairman, Terry Erber, called the meeting to order in the Township Hall at 7:30p.m. Because of the Independence Day Holiday, the meeting was held on Thursday.

Present: Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Ross Payton. Sharon Jepsen arrived at 7:45p.m.

Absent: Caroline Kobylczak

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Terry Erber to correct the previous month's minutes to replace "three", with "two" to read: "received a donation from the Huffman Lake Property Owners Association to cover the expenses of the two grilles that were purchased for the Huffman Lake Township Park last year." Motion seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

The Clerk read the minutes of the June 15th Special Meeting. A motion by Terry Erber to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 82,484.93 Checking	\$339,151.00 Road Fund
	11,436.22 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt Fund
	<u>50,897.52</u> Fire Truck fund	
	\$ 252,197.10 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Northwest Michigan Council of Governments is sponsoring "Sunshine Laws Workshop" August 9th in Charlevoix, pertaining to the Open Meetings and Freedom of Information Acts.

Northwest Michigan Council of Governments will be conducting a work session on July 16th in Boyne City to develop a comprehensive, regional non-motorized transportation strategy for several Northern Michigan Counties.

Charlevoix County Board of Commissioners, by way of resolution, have gone on record as opposing HB 4780, eliminating statutory township duties.

Charlevoix County Equalization Department is requesting help from the townships to inform developers and individual property owners that when they request a land division requiring a private road to be established, that they be made aware of the County policy that requires a road sign to be purchased and placed by the property owner.

FIRE TRUCK SELECTION

Bid tabulations from the June 15th bid opening were reviewed. The Clerk reviewed with the Board how the final bid numbers were achieved. After the bid opening, the Fire Chief and Clerk reviewed the details each bidder provided and tabulated the results. All bids were over the projected budget amount, as well as containing many exceptions to the bid specifications. The specifications also contained three major items that were recently purchased by the township, specifically a chain saw, cut off saw and thermal imaging camera. Some bidders included the items, and some didn't. Reviewing the specs further, a list of items that could be modified on the vehicles was prepared. Items that should hopefully lower the cost, yet still fit the needs of our department. An addendum of bid modifications was prepared and sent to the eight bidders, offering each bidder the opportunity to submit modifications to their original bid. The addendums were due June 30th. The final tabulation was compiled using the addendum numbers using a smaller tank on the pumper and eliminating the front bumper with suction and preconnects.

The Board received a letter of recommendation from Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, upon advice by USDA agent, Blake Smith. Bauman recommended the Board consider the following three manufacturers: Welch Fire Equipment, Spencer Manufacturing and Rosenbauer Firefighting Technology, with his personal recommendation going to Rosenbauer because of the margin between the three.

The Board discussed various financing and timing issues. The Clerk stated that after reviewing all the bids, and comparing them all equally, agrees that Rosenbauer not only meets the needs of the township, but at a substantial price difference. The Board was in consensus to proceed with a purchasing resolution.

WHEREAS, the Township of Hudson wishes to provide continued fire service to the residents of our township, and

WHEREAS, for the past year, the Township has been in the process of securing a low interest loan and grant funds from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for which we have been successful, and

WHEREAS, on 15 June 2007, with a modified addendum of 30 June 2007, the Township Board received sealed bids from eight interested vendors for the purchase of two new fire service vehicles, and

WHEREAS, after tabulation and review, it is now the intent of Hudson Township to enter into an agreement for their purchase.

NOWTHEREFORE, be it resolved, that Hudson Township enter into an installment contract with Rosenbauer America for the purchase of two new fire service vehicles, specifically being a 2008 International 1,250 CAFS pumper-tanker truck and a 2008 International 2,000 gallon tanker for an approximate total contract amount of \$430,862, dependent on final specification modifications.

A motion by Sharon Jepsen to accept the resolution as presented, and seconded by Terry Erber.

ROLL CALL
 Caroline Kobylczak Absent
 Frank D Wasylewski Aye
 Ross Payton Aye
 Sharon Jepsen Aye
 Terry Erber Aye

Resolution declared adopted this 5th day of July 2007.

PRIVATE ROAD NAMES

The Clerk reported that he received a call from Sue Nankervis with suggestions for naming the private trail she has a home on. She was notified by the County Equalization Department to contact the Township with suggestions. The Clerk did not receive a letter from the County. Nankervis offered the following suggestions: Hidden Spring Trail, Turtle Spring Trail or Natural Springs Trail. Not sure which property this pertains to, the Board did not act on the road naming.

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Estimates were not received from the County Road Commission for various road improvements. Will discuss at the next meeting.

BUDGET

The Board reviewed the budget to make necessary adjustments for the current fiscal year. With adjustments, the Board anticipates being able to accommodate the additional over budget funds of \$17,362 for the two fire trucks and will not have to use the \$20,000 pledged by the Auxiliary, using those funds instead to apply against the principal.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski and seconded by Terry Erber to amend the 2007/2008 Fiscal budget to show projected revenues of \$190,705 and projected expenses of \$265,836. All in favor. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk asked if it would be feasible to place a water fountain in the playground area. Ross Payton stated that it can be done pretty easily and will research options available.

The horseshoe pits have been placed at the hall. Discussion if it would be possible to place some pits at the township park as well. The Clerk will contact the insurance company to see if there would be any liability issues. The Chairman reported that there was a boat rescue on Huffman Lake that the department responded to. Individuals forgot to put the plug in the boat, which sunk, leaving gas and oil in the water. The DEQ and Sheriff's Department were in charge of the incident.

The parking lot has been restriped. The basketball court has not been completed yet.

A motion by Terry Erber to pay the following bills. Motion seconded by Frank D Wasylewski. All in favor, motion carried.

#7472	25June07	U.S. Postal Service	Treasurer- Postage Summer taxes	\$492.00
#7473	1 July 07	CenturyTel	Telephone – Hall & Fire	\$97.52
#7474	5 July 07	Charlevoix Co Dept of Equalization	Treasurer – 2007 summer tax billing	\$307.42
#7475	“ “ “	Municipal Underwriters of Michigan	Firefighter’s AD & D Policy renewal	\$1,019.00
#7476	“ “ “	United Plastic Fabricating, Inc.	Fire Dept – 150 gallon poly tank	\$1,820.01
#7477	“ “ “	Charlevoix Co Road Commission	Road Brine	\$2,767.65
#7478	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$1,133.34
#7479	“ “ “	A-1 Rent A Jon, Inc.	Porta Jons – Hall & Park	\$182.16
#7480	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall & Park	\$317.99
#7481	“ “ “	AmeriGas – Gaylord	Fuel – Hall	\$279.85
#7482	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Custodian supplies & cleaning-Kuchar	\$71.77
#7483	“ “ “	Waste Management	Spring Cleanup 9,40 cyd containers	\$5,925.00
#7484	“ “ “	Sandy Crandell	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7485	“ “ “	Joanne Kucharek	Hall refund, less cleaning	\$70.00
#7486	“ “ “	Virginia Patton	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7487	“ “ “	Mark Piasecki	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7488	“ “ “	Sarah Wasylewski	Hall refund-cleaning for Kucharek	\$40.00
#7489	“ “ “	Repairs Plus/Myke Sherman	Zoning Permit overpayment	\$15.00
#7490	“ “ “	Connie Daniel	Zoning Permit overpayment	\$10.00
#7491	“ “ “	Michigan Townships Association	Zoning Seminar – 3 people	\$210.00
#7492	“ “ “	Carolyn Amman	Fire Dept – labor	\$18.47
#7493	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire Chief-quarterly & run hours	\$690.47
#7494	“ “ “	Tony Budzinski	Firefighter – runs	\$287.59
#7495	“ “ “	Terrence L Erber	Supervisor	\$364.50
#7496	“ “ “	Lucas Goodwin	Firefighter – runs	\$14.78
#7497	“ “ “	Clifford Gregware, Jr.	Firefighter – runs	\$168.38

#7498	“	“	“	Katrena Grubaugh	Fire Dept – labor	\$9.23
#7499	“	“	“	Patsy Grubaugh	First Responder coordinator/run pay	\$300.40
#7500	“	“	“	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer / Firefighter run pay	\$587.91
#7501	“	“	“	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee	\$68.88
#7502	“	“	“	Norman Mathers	Zoning Admin, quarterly	\$65.91
#7503	“	“	“	Randi Oehlers	Firefighter – runs	\$163.42
#7504	“	“	“	Ross Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7505	“	“	“	Pat Rogers	Firefighter – runs	\$13.85
#7506	“	“	“	Donald Sevenski	Assistant chief, quarterly – run pay	\$164.51
#7507	“	“	“	Joseph Sevenski	Custodian 18 hrs @ \$8.75, 18 @ \$15	\$391.30
#7508	“	“	“	Jessica Wagle	Fire Dept – labor	\$9.23
#7509	“	“	“	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7510	“	“	“	Joan Wasylewski	Custodian-12 hrs @ \$8.75,quarterly	\$143.75
#7511	“	“	“	3 M Gas Station	Fire Dept – Gasoline	\$31.50
#7512	“	“	“	A+ Electrical & Handyman Service	Hall – Electric service call	\$42.52

A motion by Terry Erber to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:05p.m.

1 August 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Sharon Jepsen.

Absent: Ross Payton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT	\$ 73,922.11 Checking	\$342,998.48 Road Fund
	11,474.20 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt
	<u>52,376.01</u> Fire Truck fund	
	\$ 245,150.75 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

FIRE TRUCK CONTRACTS

Prepared contracts and purchase orders for the purchase of the two new fire trucks were presented for signature. The Clerk reported that the purchasing process had changed. Instead of placing the township’s total contribution down up front, the two chassis will be purchased directly by the township, with payment due in approximately four months, at which time they will be titled to the township. In order to get USDA monies before the final delivery of the trucks, the chassis need to be titled to the Township. The chassis are being purchased from West Michigan International from Muskegon, Michigan. They are being ordered by Purchase Orders with specifications provided for them to Front Line Services. In an attempt to provide business locally, Front Line had allowed Zaremba Equipment to submit a bid for the chassis, however, they were higher by more than \$1,000. The total purchase price is anticipated to be lower than previously thought, reducing the township’s total contribution. The purchase order for the tanker is \$67,536.71 and \$69,468.24 for the tanker. The contract with Rosenbauer is \$204,329 for the pumper and \$83,920 for the tanker. The total for the trucks at this point is \$425,253.95, not including legal fees.

The Supervisor and Clerk signed the contracts and purchase orders on behalf of the township.

USDA requires adoption of a loan resolution (USDA Form RD1942-47) by the township. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to adopt the Loan Resolution, (USDA Form RD1942-47), to obligate Hudson Township to provide for the incurrence of indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring two new fire vehicles by issuance of its bonds in the principal amount of \$320,000, and to accept a grant in the amount not to exceed \$40,000 under the terms offered by the Government. Motion seconded by Terry Erber.

ROLL CALL: Caroline Kobylczak Aye
Frank D Wasylewski Aye
Terry Erber Aye
Sharon Jepsen Aye
Ross Payton Absent

Resolution declared adopted this 1st day of August 2007.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

There is still a need to find two individuals to serve on the Planning Commission. All Board members should be trying to recruit people that would be interested in serving.

The Planning Commission has received an application for a special use permit from Skyway Towers for the construction of a telecommunications tower facility in Section 7 of the Township. They will be conducting a public hearing on August 16th.

TRUTH IN TAXATION

WHEREAS, the Township of Hudson, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, has met all the requirements of Section 16 of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, allowing the levy of the maximum allowable millage greater than the Base Tax Rate to support the 2007-2008 fiscal budget as stated at a public hearing on the proposed budget held 7 March 2007, 7:00p.m. at the Hudson Township Hall, and

WHEREAS, Hudson Township has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate of 4.9742 mills total (.9871 allocated mill, .9871 fire protection, 1.0000 fire equipment and 2.0000 road millage) allowed under “Headlee”, and

WHEREAS, it is a requirement that an increase resolution be adopted by the Hudson Township Board.

NOWTHEREFORE, be it resolved that Hudson Township, County of Charlevoix, State of Michigan, levy the full 4.9742 mills to support the 2007-2008 fiscal budget.

A motion by Frank D. Wasylewski to accept the resolution, supported by Caroline Kobylczak.

ROLL CALL: Terry Erber Aye
Sharon Jepsen Aye
Ross Payton Absent
Caroline Kobylczak Aye
Frank D Wasylewski Aye

Resolution declared adopted this 1st day of August 2007.

ROAD PROJECTS:

Estimates were received from the Charlevoix County Road Commission for paving 1.46 miles of Woodward Road, placing 23A gravel on various roads and placing 23A Afton Stone on various roads. The estimated cost to pave Woodward Road from the existing pavement to Bows Lake Road is \$406,024. Gravel estimates were received for Coash Road, County Line Road, Woodward Road, Jenkins Road and each end of Kuzmik Road. Estimates were for placing gravel at both 4 and 6 inches deep. The Afton Stone is more costly, but other townships are using it with much success. After discussion, the Board felt that it would be worth trying one road with the Afton stone product before proceeding with other roads. Terry Erber motioned to request the Road Commission to secure bids for the placement of 23A Afton Stone @ 24-Ft Wide, 6-inches deep on the entire length of Woodward Road, approximately 3 miles. The engineer’s estimate is \$164,840. Motion supported by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

HUFFMAN LAKE PARK:

The Chairman reported that the pavilion at the park is receiving lots of use. The new boat launch is also getting lots of use, however, with the water level being low, trailers are catching the edge of the concrete. The Chairman will look at it. Custodian, Joe Sevenski, has one of the changing houses done.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported that there was little activity this month in the department; no medical runs and only one fire run.

There are two people interested in taking the medical first responder course and possibly one for Fire I & II. The brush truck we received from the DNR is almost operational and should be in service for the Polish Festival parade. Two batteries were replaced in the loaner pumper truck.

Bauman has applied for a DNR grant for PPE and communications, will know in the fall if we are eligible.

The Fire Department members will be providing security at the Polish Festival mud run.

Many improvements have been completed in the departments. The countertops and cupboards are in and will be installed soon.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to pay the following bills. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#7513	24 Jul 07	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$91.71
#7514	1 Aug 07	Our Town Software	Clerk – Software Maintenance	\$245.00
#7515	“ “ “	Graham,Elsenheimer,Wendling&Kaz	Attorney – Zoning	\$244.50
#7516	“ “ “	City of Boyne City	Ambulance Contract 2007/2008	\$2,280.00
#7517	“ “ “	Judy Sweet	Pension Distribution	\$195.06
#7518	“ “ “	Janis Groh	Pension Distribution	\$85.46
#7519	“ “ “	Donald Green	Pension Distribution	\$47.52
#7520	“ “ “	Daniel Sevenski	Pension Distribution	\$937.18
#7521	“ “ “	Terri Crego	Pension Distribution	\$450.75
#7522	“ “ “	Ira Holborn	Pension Distribution	\$514.85
#7523	“ “ “	Daniel Smith	Pension Distribution	\$342.20
#7524	“ “ “	IRS/Independent Bank	Pension Withholding – 945 deposit	\$377.75
#7525	“ “ “	Northern Fire & Safety	Fire-Recharge 10 fire extinguishers	\$55.00
#7526	“ “ “	Wilber Automotive	Fire-Brush Truck ftgs,Pumper batterie	\$691.16
#7527	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire-Fire dept & brush truck supplies	\$186.46
#7528	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$254.80
#7529	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall & Park	\$199.01
#7530	“ “ “	JP Heating of Northern Michigan	Hall – AC unit service call	\$101.00
#7531	“ “ “	Rick Eubank	Hall – striping parking lot & basketbal	\$880.00
#7532	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall – Custodian supplies	\$55.76
#7533	“ “ “	Waste Management	Spring Clean-up – balance	\$600.00
#7534	“ “ “	Glennice Alumbaugh	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#7535	“ “ “	Chris Orman	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#7536	“ “ “	Amanda Jarema-Loper	Hall Refund	\$50.00
#7537	“ “ “	Charles Steffel	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#7538	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7539	“ “ “	Frank Wasylewski	Board of Review – special meeting	\$8.31
#7540	“ “ “	Caroline M Kobylczak	Trustee	\$68.88
#7541	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall agent 2hrs @ \$8.75	\$16.25
#7542	“ “ “	John C Gray	Board of Review – special meeting	\$8.31
#7543	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7544	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor	\$364.50
#7545	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7546	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire Dept – light for brush truck	\$20.50

A motion to adjourn by Terry Erber and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:06p.m.

5 September 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Sharon Jepsen. Ross Payton arrived at 7:35p.m.

Absent: None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Terry Erber to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER’S REPORT</u>	\$ 68,069.23	Checking	\$343,469.07	Road Fund
	11,504.74	Money Market		
	107,378.43	CDs	\$ 35,859.47	Fire Debt
	<u>52,376.01</u>	Fire Truck fund		
	\$ 239,328.41	TOTAL		

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received a letter from the County Clerk that the County Commissioners have accepted our invitation to conduct one of their regular meetings in our township hall. They would like to meet on September 26th at 7:00p.m. in the township hall. The Clerk would like to reschedule for October if possible because of scheduling conflicts. He will contact the County Clerk.

Received a notice of violation that the DEQ sent to Jack Sevenski for his property on Kidney Lake. Received a public notice from the DEQ that the Charlevoix County Road Commission has applied for a permit to install two new culverts on Jenkins Road.

Received the Audit Engagement letter from Campbell, Kusterer & Co., P.C., for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008. The fee is \$2,400 for the fiscal year. The Supervisor and Clerk signed the Letter.

The Chairman reported that the boat launch at Huffman Lake has been repaired by Crego Enterprises.

Members are still needed for the Planning Commission.

ROAD BIDS:

The results of the Charlevoix County Road Commission bid letting of August 27th for Woodward Road Afton Stone project were received. Poquette Leasing Company, Inc. was the low bidder at a rate of \$9.19/ton or a bid price of \$116,529.20 for the project. The bid came in over \$48,000 less than estimated, however, the Board realized that Macgregor Road was not included in the price. After discussion, the Board feels that it would be advantageous to complete other projects if possible at this rate.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Charlevoix County Road Commission’s resolution to provide all materials, trucking and equipment and labor to supply, load and transport 12,680 Ton of 23A MDOT Spec Afton Stone on Woodward Road, and also request the completion of MacGregor Road and the entire length of Coash Road if the Contractor, Poquette Leasing Company, is willing to accept the project at the same rate of \$9.19/Ton.

Motion seconded by Terry Erber. Roll Call:

Caroline Kobylczak	Aye
Ross Payton	Aye
Terry Erber	Aye
Sharon Jepsen	Aye
Frank D Wasylewski	Aye

Resolution adopted this 5th day of September 2007.

PROPANE:

The Clerk recommended that we seek prices for propane. Last year we used around 7,000 gallons of propane for the heating season and we have not gotten competitive pricing from AmeriGas the last few years. The Clerk will seek prices from area vendors.

ROADS:

It was reported that the culvert at the cemetery is bent and full of sand. We will place on agenda for annual meeting with the Road Commission

Townhall Road is going to be graded and reopened by the Road Commission within the next week. A road sign is going to be placed as well.

The Clerk reported that he received another call from Sue Nankervis regarding the naming of the private road to her property in Section 21. Nankervis advised that there is a spring on the property, hence her suggestions. A motion by Terry Erber to name the private trail in Section 21 “Hidden Spring Trail”, provided no other road in the County has the name. Motion supported by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

The Clerk reported that he had been contacted by the Equalization Department regarding “Hudson Stone Road” which is the entrance to H&D’s pit off of Thumb Lake Road. The Board took no action as this is a DNR trail and H&D uses Woodward Road as their official address.

HALL GROUNDS:

The Chairman reported that a resident on Huffman Lake was caught dumping his personal garbage in the township hall dumpster. The resident felt being a taxpayer gave him the right to dump trash into the dumpster. The Chairman had the Sheriff visit the individual to let him know that dumping household trash into a public dumpster is against the law.

The Clerk reported that the bike rack that was installed last year on the playground has been hit again and broke off its foundation. The Custodian will install pipe bollards to stop vehicles from driving onto the playground area.

TOWNSHIP PARK:

The Custodian reported that he has the changing buildings completed at the park. He volunteered all his time, but is charging the township \$175 for gasoline he used for his generator. Also, he was unable to find anyone to help him with the buildings, but was able to find a teen to help him and would like the Board to consider paying him \$50 for his time. A motion by Terry Erber to pay David Sevenski \$50 for helping with the repair of the buildings at the township park. Motion seconded by Ross Payton. All in favor, motion carried.

The Custodian also reported that park users have requested benches at the park so they can sit and watch the swimmers. This would be a spring project.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported that there was only one medical run during the month.

There are three new members interested in taking the medical first responder training that begins next week.

However, one has not submitted his application to join the department yet. Provided he signs a training agreement form, there shouldn’t be a problem, but will need to be accepted before going on runs. A motion by Terry Erber to send three individuals to the MFR training course offered by Allied EMS provided a training agreement is received from each. Motion seconded by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

The wild land truck is in service.

The department will be receiving a \$1,000 donation from APO, a group of well workers who donate money back to the communities they take from. Bauman must write a letter to the group letting them know how the money would be spent.

Discussion on water needs during the winter at Thumb Lake. With the creation of the new park, and moving the road away from the water’s edge, there is no longer a water point during the winter months. We will submit this issue to our County Commissioner for consideration.

A motion by Terry Erber and seconded by Sharon Jepsen to pay the following bills. All in favor, motion carried.

#7547	3 Aug 07	Great Lakes Pipe & Supply	Fire Dept – fittings for wild land truck	\$1,795.27
#7548	8 Aug 07	Charlevoix County Treasurer	Treasurer – tax adjustments	\$48.40
#7549	23Aug07	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$93.26
#7550	5 Sept 07	BS & A Software	Software Support – Assessor & Treas	\$600.00
#7551	“ “ “	Time Emergency Equipment	Fire – vests & barricade tape	\$219.85
#7552	“ “ “	Radio North	Fire – batteries for monitors	\$508.00
#7553	“ “ “	Wilber Automotive Supply, Inc.	Fire – hose & fittings for brush truck	\$171.54
#7554	“ “ “	Charlevoix Screen Masters	Fire – Uniforms / shirts	\$235.50
#7555	“ “ “	Shawn Bauman	Fire – Gasoline / Diesel	\$105.00
#7556	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$359.05
#7557	“ “ “	Joseph Sevenski	Park – Bldg supplies	\$452.10
#7558	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall – custodian supplies	\$30.00
#7559	“ “ “	A-1 Rent-A-Jon, Inc.	Porta jons – park & hall	\$364.32
#7560	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – hall & park	\$199.39
#7561	“ “ “	Crego Enterprises	Park – boat launch repair	\$150.00
#7562	“ “ “	Accident Fund Company of America	Worker’s Comp Insurance	\$943.00
#7563	“ “ “	Municipal Underwriters of Michigan	General Liability – hall & fire	\$13,571.00
#7564	“ “ “	Petoskey News Review	Publications – zoning special use	\$53.90
#7565	“ “ “	Andy Cherry	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7566	“ “ “	Arnold Morris, Jr.	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7567	“ “ “	John Kurbis	Planning commission-special use hear	\$34.49
#7568	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7569	“ “ “	Anna B Wasylewski	Land Division Board	\$22.64
#7570	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee/Planning Comm special use	\$103.37
#7571	“ “ “	Joseph Sevenski	Custodian 30hrs @8.75/40 hrs @\$15	\$789.03
#7572	“ “ “	Norman Mathers	Land Div Bd / Special Use hearing	\$56.13
#7573	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Planning Comm / hall agent 2 hrs	\$52.67
#7574	“ “ “	Sharon Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7575	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor / Land Division	\$389.50

#7576	“	“	“	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7577	“	“	“	Randi Oehlers	Fire – oxygen refills	\$40.00
#7578	“	“	“	David Sevenski, Jr.	Park – helping with buildings	\$50.00
#7579	“	“	“	Shawn Bauman	Fire – brush truck parts	\$27.30
#7580	“	“	“	Alpine Computers	Treasurer – repair computer/modem	\$51.79
#7581	“	“	“	Randi Oehlers	Replacing check # 7503 lost	\$163.42

A motion to adjourn by Terry Erber and seconded by Frank D. Wasylewski. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:15p.m.

3 October 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Sharon Jepsen.

Absent: Ross Payton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 46,206.56 Checking	\$344,523.08 Road Fund
	11,536.21 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt
	<u>52,376.01 Fire Truck fund</u>	
	\$ 217,497.21 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received a notice of violation that the DEQ sent to John Stanek. This is the same violation that was sent to Jack Sevenski last month. The property location is on Kidney Lake.

The DEQ has issued a permit to the Charlevoix County Road Commission to install two new culverts on Jenkins Road.

The Clerk reported that the County Commissioners could not hold their October meeting in our township; they will wait now for spring.

The Clerk reported that the Web Site has been getting not only several hits, but also requests for information, such as zoning information. Also, someone from Oklahoma requested information about the tanker truck that we will be selling when the new trucks arrive. Michigan Townships Association selected Hudson Township as Featured Web Site of the Month. The Clerk also presented a couple enhancements available for future consideration. One is to add an events calendar so that meetings and events can be listed. This would also be a good feature to list such things as rentals. Another feature is an option that BS&A offers which allows people to access property and tax information on line. The Assessor and Treasurer would benefit from this service, as it would allow people to retrieve the information needed online and save copying and sending information to them, as well as phone calls. While the service appears to be pricey, there are various options, one is which making the person requesting the information pay a \$2 convenience fee, directly to BS&A, or to pay an annual service fee, and users of the data would pay nothing. BS&A offers a free three-month trial, which could help determine its usage.

Members are still needed for the Planning Commission.

ROAD PROJECTS:

The Road Commission advised that the Woodward Road Afton Stone project is scheduled to begin on Friday, October 4th. The Road Commission also felt the need to re-bid the project for McGregor and Coash Roads to remain fair even though the township had previously agreed to the projects if the contractor was willing to do the work at the same price per ton as bid for Woodward Road. Also, the engineer's estimate for the quantity on Coash Road was substantially off. The new bid was to have a spring completion date. The results will be available at the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that Tower Road has been graded and the culvert dug out. Townhall Road is also now open again and has a stop sign and road sign in place.

The Township Board's annual meeting with the Road Commission will be Wednesday, October 24th at 6:00p.m. at the Road Commission Building. Basic agenda items would be status of Camp Ten Road. Progress of Woodward Road gravel project and bid results for McGregor and Coash Roads.

SNOW PLOWING:

Sealed bids for snowplowing were opened and read aloud. Razor Construction of Frederic, \$130 per push and \$26 to clear sidewalks. S & K Builders of Gaylord, \$145 per push. Don Sevenski of Elmira, \$80 each push. The Chairman met with each of the bidders before their bids were submitted to explain the plowing requirements. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak to accept the bid of Don Sevenski Excavating for snow plowing the parking lot and shoveling the doors for the 2007/2008 winter season at the Township Hall at a rate of \$80 each time plowed with truck with 3" or more of snow and \$60 per hour for loader. Motion seconded by Terry Erber. All in favor, motion carried.

PROPANE:

The Clerk sent pricing requests to the area propane vendors, asking for a guaranteed price for the 2007/2008 heating season. All vendors were asked to reply on a bid form that the Clerk submitted to them, asking for price per gallon, date the price expired, any additional fees or charges either on invoices or tank removal or setting. The following vendors submitted propane bids: Johnson's Propane, Gaylord \$1.599. AmeriGas, Gaylord \$1.749. AmeriGas, Gaylord District rep \$1.699, Derrer Oil & Propane, Petoskey \$1.799. Holton's LP Gas, Gaylord \$1.799.

Last year over 7,000 gallons of propane was used, the net unit price was \$1.633/gallon. Johnson's Propane was the only bid that does not have any additional fees of any kind. A motion by Frank D. Wasylewski to contract

with Johnson's Propane of Gaylord for propane at a guaranteed capped price per gallon of \$1.599 until April 30, 2008 with no additional invoice fees and no charge to set tanks. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

ROAD NAMES:

Received a letter from Charlevoix County Equalization Department advising that they are working on the new federally mandated road signs for Hudson Township.

Upon reviewing Booth Lake Road in Section 1, it was discovered that the road range is duplicated in Chandler Township on Booth Lake Road; this is because the address baseline runs through the county at this point. The County is asking the Township to rename the road to Booth Lake Road South. A motion by Terry Erber to rename Booth Lake Road in Section one to Booth Lake Road South. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

The custodian reported that there is a large tree by the pavilion at the park that needs to be removed. The Chairman will try to obtain estimates for the removal.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

New purchase orders were signed for the chassis. Due to the equipment and accessories that will be on the trucks, heavier body weights are required. The new chassis purchase orders are \$71,025.24 for the pumper and \$69,601.71 for the tanker. The increase is \$3,622. However, the body prices have decreased by \$1,720, making a net increase of \$1,902.

The Chief reported that the department participated in a countywide water shuttle.

The Chief is looking for pricing to install the "jaws" equipment on the new trucks. Ideally, he would like to install 82' of hose and a hose reel on the truck. He estimates that it will be over \$5,000. The Board advised that he should obtain pricing from Rosenbauer to have it installed with the trucks before they arrive. Bauman will get prices.

Received the new license for the First Responder Unit from the State of Michigan.

A motion by Terry Erber and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak to pay the following bills. All in favor, motion carried.

#7582	15Sept07	Michigan Township Association	Replacing check #7461 not received	\$580.30
#7583	17Sept07	Allied EMS	Tuition-3 people Medical First Respdr	\$975.00
#7584	19Sept07	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$92.74
#7585	3 Oct 07	US Postal Service	Postage – Clerk & Assessor	\$82.00
#7586	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk & Fire – Printer cartridges	\$104.38
#7587	“ “ “	Time Emergency Equipment	Fire – hose gaskets & nozzle for truck	\$64.46
#7588	“ “ “	Northern Fire & Safety	Fire – refill extinguisher	\$33.50
#7589	“ “ “	Truck & Trailer Specialties	Fire – van steps & side boards	\$511.00
#7590	“ “ “	Carolyn Amman	Fire – MFR Training 7 classes @ \$15	\$105.00
#7591	“ “ “	Mike Terry	Fire – MFR Training 7 classes @ \$15	\$105.00
#7592	“ “ “	Jessica Wagle	Fire – MFR Training 7 classes @ \$15	\$105.00
#7593	“ “ “	West Shore Fire, Inc.	Fire – Chief Helmet	\$222.00
#7594	“ “ “	Exxon Mobil	Fire – Gasoline	\$24.58
#7595	“ “ “	Charlevoix County Road Commissio	Road Brining Charges	\$4,373.05
#7596	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$4,373.05
#7597	“ “ “	AmeriGas – Gaylord	Fuel – Hall & Fire	\$753.78
#7598	“ “ “	A1 Rent-A-Jon Inc.	Porta Jons – Hall & Park	\$182.16
#7599	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall & Park	\$120.28
#7600	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall – Custodial supplies	\$93.64
#7601	“ “ “	Van's Business Machines, Inc.	New Copier, stand & toner	\$1,577.95
#7602	“ “ “	Joseph Pace	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#7603	“ “ “	Chad Zbacnik	Hall Refund	\$150.00
#7604	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7605	“ “ “	Shawn C Bauman	Fire Chief – Quarterly	\$347.60
#7606	“ “ “	Donald Sevenski	Assistant Chief – Quarterly	\$123.19
#7607	“ “ “	Patsy Grubaugh	1 st Responder Coordinator – Quarterly	\$160.14
#7608	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee	\$68.88
#7609	“ “ “	Joseph Sevenski	Custodian 10 hrs @ \$8.75 10 hrs @ \$15	\$234.06
#7610	“ “ “	Norman Mathers	Zoning Administrator – Quarterly	\$73.91
#7611	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall agent- Quarterly & 2.5 hrs @ \$8.75	\$63.27
#7612	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7613	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor	\$364.50
#7614	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7615	“ “ “	Thomas & Ross Payton & Sons	Hall – Piping for playground posts	\$167.00
#7616	“ “ “	Joseph Sevenski	Hall – supplies to install posts	\$22.39

A motion to adjourn by Terry Erber and seconded by Frank D. Wasylewski. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:38p.m.

7 November 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber, Sharon Jepsen and Ross Payton.

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Clerk read the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Caroline Kobylczak and seconded by Sharon Jepsen to accept the minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>	\$ 42,436.28 Checking	\$346,274.10 Road Fund
	11,572.91 Money Market	
	107,378.43 CDs	\$ 35,859.47 Fire Debt
	<u>52,376.01 Fire Truck fund</u>	
	\$ 213,763.63 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

MTA is sponsoring a seminar "Introduction to Township Laws" December 11th in Grayling.

ROADS:

Bid tabs were received from the Road Commission for the placement of 23A Afton Stone on McGregor and Coash Roads. Poquette Leasing Company, Inc. was the low bidder, at the same price as Woodward Road of \$9.19 per ton. McGregor Road is 4,220 ton for a total of \$38,781.80 and Coash Road is 8,870 ton for a total of \$81,515.30. If the projects are not completed this year, the price will remain the same, unless there is a large increase in fuel costs. However, the gravel price is guaranteed for the projects.

The majority of the gravel has been placed on Woodward Road; however, the significant number of rain days is delaying the project. It is the intent to complete McGregor Road yet this year also. Coash Road will not be started until the spring.

The Chairman reported that the annual meeting with the road commission was cancelled because of scheduling issues. All of the agenda items had already been discussed and nothing of importance needed addressing.

The Road Commission will conduct the Annual Local Task Force Meeting at 7p.m. on December 12th at the Boyne City Hall Auditorium. We will request that Camp Ten Road be given consideration for funding.

GARBAGE:

The Chairman reported that we had another incident of individuals illegally dumping their household garbage in the township hall dumpster. He contacted the Sheriff's office and a deputy has spoken with the individuals responsible. It is illegal to dump household garbage in a public dumpster.

PROPANE:

The Chairman reported that Johnson Oil will not deliver the new propane tanks until December. AmeriGas will not allow Johnson's to pump out their tanks until they are at 5%. The Chairman is monitoring the tank to make sure that we do not run out of propane before the new tanks arrive.

ASSESSOR:

Received a letter from the Township Assessor requesting approval to take a level II assessing course. She has recently sat through the level I assessing courses as a refresher. The course is in St Ignace and the cost is \$425. While our township does not require this level of assessing, most of the class is an in depth study of items that pertain to general assessing, such as person property tax, commercial and industrial properties and measures in legal descriptions. A motion by Terry Erber to allow the Assessor to attend level II assessing courses at a cost of \$425. Motion supported by Sharon Jepsen. All in favor, motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Fire Chief was out of town, so no report for the month.

The Clerk reported that Wendy Simon from Front Line Services sent the final numbers for the Fire Trucks, adding the reel and hose for the "jaws" equipment that the Fire Chief had requested. The pumper is at \$278,819.24 and the tanker is at \$152,656.71, for a total of \$431,475.95.

A donation of \$1,000 was received from Advanced Energy Services, LLC upon request from the Fire Chief. The Chief had requested the donation to help purchase the JAWS equipment for the new pumper. The money will be used toward the truck down payment.

The Chairman reported that there were two runs during the month.

The three individuals attending Medical First Responder Courses have completed the course.

No prices were received to remove the dead trees at the park.

There will be a township newsletter sent out with tax statements.

A motion by Terry Erber to pay the following bills. Motion supported by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#7617	30Oct07	CenturyTel	Telephone	\$90.84
#7618	7 Nov 07	Carolyn Amman	Fire – MFR Training 11classes @ \$15	\$165.00
#7619	“ “ “	Mike Terry	Fire – MFR Training 10classes @ \$15	\$150.00
#7620	“ “ “	Jessica Wagle	Fire – MFR Training 11classes @ \$15	\$165.00
#7621	“ “ “	Exxon Mobil	Fire – Gasoline	\$283.04
#7622	“ “ “	Charlevoix County Road Commissio	Woodward Road – 10,136.33 ton	\$93,152.83
#7623	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity – Hall & Fire	\$298.01
#7624	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – Hall	\$121.22
#7625	“ “ “	Joan Wasylewski	Hall-Supplies & cleaning for W.T.U.	\$86.43
#7626	“ “ “	Kelts Co. Inc	Hall-Clean carpet area	\$93.60
#7627	“ “ “	Marie Cook	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7628	“ “ “	Samantha Spires	Hall refund – Missing Inventory	\$115.00
#7629	“ “ “	White Tails Unlimited	Hall refund – less cleaning	\$100.00
#7630	“ “ “	Northern Michigan Review	Notices – snowplowing	\$154.00
#7631	“ “ “	Gaylord Herald Times	Notices – snowplowing	\$66.50
#7632	“ “ “	John A Kurbis	Planning Commission	\$34.49
#7633	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7634	“ “ “	Caroline Kobylczak	Trustee / Planning Commission	\$103.37
#7635	“ “ “	Joseph A Sevenski	Custodian 20@ \$8.75 & 3.5 hrs @\$15	\$224.20
#7636	“ “ “	Joan M Wasylewski	Planning Comm/hall agent 1hr @8.75	\$48.04
#7637	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7638	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor	\$364.50
#7639	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7640	“ “ “	Sharon Jepsen	Hall Flag & Treasurer ink cartridge	\$59.95
#7641	“ “ “	Pat Soboski	Assessing II course fee	\$425.00

A motion to adjourn by Terry Erber and supported by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:37p.m.

5 December 2007 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:30p.m. in the Township Hall by the Chairman, Terry Erber.

Present: Caroline Kobylczak, Frank D. Wasylewski, Terry Erber and Sharon Jepsen. Ross Payton arrived late.

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Clerk. A motion by Terry Erber to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>TREASURER’S REPORT</u>	\$ 38,340.03 Checking	\$253,121.27 Road Fund
	11,603.03 Money Market	
	110,585.43 CDs	\$ 37,007.30 Fire Debt
	<u>53,057.21 Fire Truck fund</u>	
	\$ 213,585.70 TOTAL	

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. Seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received notice from DEQ regarding a violation by Patrick Mitchell on Jenkins Road for placing fieldstone in the stream by his deck.

MTA is sponsoring a Board of Review training seminar on February 19th in Gaylord.

Received a letter from the Charlevoix County Road Commission regarding winter maintenance of county roads. Due to budget constraints, only the major trunk lines will be plowed during weekends this year. They will respond in the event of an emergency, but the response will be slower. Two primary roads, Camp Ten and Huffman Lake Roads will not be plowed during the weekend.

Our County Commissioner, Ron Reinhardt was present, and this topic was discussed with him. While the Board understands the policy, it was thought that when there is a significant snowfall, such as there was last weekend, the roads should be made at least passable.

Charlevoix County Planning Commission is in the process of developing a new future Land Use Plan for the county and is looking for public input. They are taking an online survey to receive public input.

ROADS:

Woodward and McGregor Road gravel projects have been completed. Woodward Road was \$12,167.51 under the bid amount and McGregor Road was \$2,736.35 over bid. Coash Road will be completed in the spring.

PARK:

The Chairman reported that he obtained pricing to remove the dead poplar trees at the park that are near the pavilion. Jerry Goff will remove the large tree for \$600 and the small tree for \$300. This does not include removing the stump. The Chairman will get one other price before deciding.

VANDERBILT SUMMER SCHOOL TAX:

A request was received from Vanderbilt Area Schools that Hudson Township collects summer taxes for the school district. A motion by Frank D Wasylewski that Hudson Township enter into an agreement to collect the summer levy of school taxes for Vanderbilt Area School at a rate of \$2.50 per taxed parcel, to be paid to the Township by September 30, 2008. Motion seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

There will be a Presidential Primary election on January 15th. Election Inspectors will need to be appointed. The Clerk is also looking for inspectors for both the August primary and the November general election.

A Planning Commission member is still needed.

The Chairman reported that someone vandalized the lawn with their car. The sheriff’s department was contacted. The Clerk suggested that the Board should consider placing security cameras on the hall property. While still minor, we have had a few vandalism incidents.

The Chairman reported that J&P Heating was called to repair the furnace that’s in the boiler room.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Clerk reported that he was contacted by the attorney for the fire truck project, Roger Swets, and advised of what needs to be completed for the closing of the Chasses. The Township needs to adopt a resolution authorizing the installment purchase borrowing. Swets submitted an approved resolution for the Board’s review and approval. Also submitted was the form of the Installment Purchase Agreement that the Board will be signing at closing. The details will be completed at that time; all members received copies of each for review.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A NOTE AGREEMENT
PURSUANT TO ACT 99, P.A. 1933**

The following resolution was offered by Board Member Frank D. Wasylewski, and supported by Board Member Terry Erber:

WHEREAS the Township of Hudson (the "Township") desires to purchase two fire trucks (the "Property"), having an estimated purchase price of \$425,644, and has entered into contracts for the purchase of the Property (the "Purchase Contracts") with Rosenbauer America or one of its subsidiaries, affiliates or sales representatives and West Michigan Fleet (the "Vendors"); and

WHEREAS, to finance a portion of the cost of acquiring the Property, the Township deems it necessary to borrow the sum of not-to-exceed \$320,000; and

WHEREAS Act No. 99 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1933, as amended ("Act 99"), provides a means by which the Township may enter into agreements for the purchase of lands, property or equipment for public purposes, to be paid for in installments; and

WHEREAS, in order to finance the purchase of the Property by an installment purchase agreement pursuant to Act 99, the Township has received, from the United States of America ("USA"), a proposal to finance the purchase of the Property, and the USA will accept assignment from the Vendors of the Purchase Contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Township's outstanding balance of all installment purchases, exclusive of interest, not including (i) contracts entered into under Act No. 31, Public Acts of 1948, First Extra Session, as amended, or (ii) contracts or leases between public corporations or municipalities, but including the principal amount of the installment purchase agreement authorized by this resolution, shall not exceed one and one-quarter percent (1-1/4%) of the taxable value of the real and personal property in the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Acquisition of the Property is hereby found to be a public purpose and in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the Township.

2. The Township hereby approves the proposal of the USA and authorizes and directs the Supervisor and Township Clerk (i) to execute a Loan Resolution, Form No. 1942-47, between the Township and the United States of America, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein; (ii) to execute a Note Agreement (the "Agreement") for the payment, in installments, of a sum in the amount of not-to-exceed \$320,000 in substantially the form as submitted herewith, with such changes as are recommended by the Township's bond counsel and approved by the Officers signing the Agreement, and (iii) to execute a Note (the "Note") in favor of the USA in conformance with the Agreement, with an interest rate on the principal amount outstanding not exceeding 4.125% as finally approved by the Supervisor, such approval evidenced by the execution of the Agreement.

3. The Township shall record the expenditure as a capital cost and shall include in its budget each year the amount necessary to make all installment payments of principal and interest thereon under the Agreement during such year, when and as the same shall become due.

4. The Township shall have control of the Property at all times while any payments on the Agreement are outstanding, and shall maintain the same for public purposes.

5. The useful life of the Property is hereby determined to be equal to or longer than fifteen (15) years.

6. The obligation of the Township to make the principal and interest payments pursuant to the Note shall not be defeased and is the general obligation of the Township, and the Township hereby pledges its limited tax full faith and credit, general obligation to the payment the principal of and interest on the Note, subject to constitutional and statutory limitations.

7. The Township hereby covenants and agrees for the benefit of the USA, and any assignee thereof, that it will comply with all applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and except as required by law, will take no action or omit to take any action which, by commission or omission, would cause the payments on the Note (the "Installment Payments") not to be excluded from adjusted gross income for Federal income tax purposes or to be "arbitrage bonds" as defined in Section 148 of the Code and any successor provision, act or statute and the regulations from time to time promulgated or proposed thereunder.

8. The Township will not permit any of the proceeds of the Agreement or any other funds of the Township to be used directly or indirectly in a manner which would result in the exclusion of any of the payments on the Note from the treatment afforded by Section 103(a) of the Code, as from time to time amended, by reason of the classification of such payments as "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code, or as obligations guaranteed by the United States of America, as provided in Section 149(b) of the Code; or cause the interest on the Installment Payments to be includable in any alternative minimum tax other than an alternative minimum tax which applies to all tax exempt bonds generally.

9. The Township reasonably anticipates that the amount of qualified tax-exempt obligations which will be issued by the Township and all subordinate entities during the calendar year 2007 shall not exceed \$10,000,000. The Township hereby designates the Installment Payments in their total principal amount as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Township hereby certifies that the Installment Payments are not private activity bonds as defined in Section 141 of the Code.

10. The proceeds of the Note shall not be used to reimburse the Township for expenditures incurred prior to the declaration of official intent required by Section 1.103-8(a)(5) of the Treasury regulations.

11. The authority granted herein shall not be construed to require the Township to levy taxes in excess of any constitutional or statutory limitations.

12. The Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer of the Township are hereby authorized to do all acts and things and to execute any documents or certificates as may be necessary or desirable, and to deliver such documents to the parties to effectuate the transaction described in the Agreement.

13. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and they are hereby rescinded.

ROLL CALL: Ross Payton, Aye. Sharon Jepsen, Aye. Terry Erber, Aye. Frank D. Wasylewski, Aye. Caroline Kobylczak, Aye.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF DECEMBER 2007.

The Fire Chief, Shawn Bauman, reported on various grants and funding that he tried to obtain for the Department. The loaner pumper was down with a bad ground on the fuel pump.

Discussed Thumb Lake winter water issue with Commissioner Reinhardt. With the new County park and the road being relocated away from the water, there is now no place to access the lake during the winter months. In the event of a fire, it may be difficult to access water in this vicinity. This is an issue for Chandler Township as well, as they access water from Thumb Lake. Reinhardt will discuss at a Commissioner's meeting.

A motion by Frank D Wasylewski to pay the following bills. Motion supported by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, motion carried.

#7642	15Nov07	Caroline Kobylczak	Fire-MFR testing, Wagle & Amman	\$130.00
#7643	27Nov07	U.S. Postal Service	Treasurer – Postage	\$369.00
#7644	28Nov07	Dunn's Business Solution	Newsletter copies & Treasurer supply	\$132.87
#7645	2 Dec 07	Century Tel	Telephone	\$93.46
#7646	5 Dec 07	U.S. Postal Service	Clerk – Postage	\$26.00
#7647	“ “ “	State Assessors Board	Assessor – certification	\$75.00
#7648	“ “ “	Charlevoix Co Equalization Dept	2007 Winter Tax roll billing	\$313.28
#7649	“ “ “	Ron's Auto & Wrecker Service	Fire – Tow pumper to Zaremba's	\$145.00
#7650	“ “ “	Zaremba Equipment Inc.	Fire – Repair pumper	\$279.50
#7651	“ “ “	Sevenski Excavating	Snowplowing – hall & fire (2 plows)	\$160.00
#7652	“ “ “	Charlevoix Co Road Commission	Road work-Woodward & McGregor	\$52,726.82
#7653	“ “ “	Great Lakes Energy	Electricity	\$296.51
#7654	“ “ “	Waste Management	Garbage – hall	\$121.55
#7655	“ “ “	Accident Fund Insurance Co	Work Comp Insurance-audited premiu	\$215.00
#7656	“ “ “	Justin Johnson	Hall refund	\$150.00
#7657	“ “ “	Chad Zbacnik	Hall refund-missing inv Replace#7603	\$46.30
#7658	“ “ “	Ross W Payton	Trustee	\$69.41
#7659	“ “ “	Anna B Wasylewski	Land Division Board	\$22.64
#7660	“ “ “	Caroline M Kobylczak	Trustee	\$68.88
#7661	“ “ “	Norman Mathers	Land Division Board	\$24.64
#7662	“ “ “	Sharon R Jepsen	Treasurer	\$453.88
#7663	“ “ “	Terry L Erber	Supervisor / Land Division Board	\$389.50
#7664	“ “ “	Frank D Wasylewski	Clerk	\$419.39
#7665	“ “ “	State of Michigan	Assessor – testing fee Level II	\$50.00
#7666	“ “ “	JP Heating of Northern MichiganLLC	Hall – furnace repair	\$146.00

A motion to adjourn by Frank D Wasylewski and seconded by Caroline Kobylczak. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:04p.m.