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Planning committee - Terry Havar said nothing that has been happening. Old business - Anderson checked with someone regarding the roof in the fire department that is leaking. They could find no leaks, and yet there is water on top of the refrigerator coming from somewhere. Clerk provided copies of our workers' compensation coverages for the supervisors and fire department to file for reference. This is a follow-up to the question asked last month - would there be coverage for regular job income if a fireman was injured while serving the fire department. Yes. New business - a letter was received from the MPA, which needed to be posted in the hall. There was discussion about the current posting locations. Fronteer Cafe has closed and that was one of the locations. Roach's Lawn & Marine may make a place available.

Correspondence was reviewed. It was suggested the clerk write a thank-you letter to Bob & Norma Hall as he cleaned the light fixtures and she cleaned the flower bed. Their work was much appreciated.

Thirty two claims (#6418-6449) in the total amount of \$36,716.33 were checked, initialed and upon a motion by Anderson, seconded by Roberts all were allowed to be paid. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Roberts seconded Speedling and carried. 8:30 P.M.

Ellen Thatcher, clerk

DECEMBER 5, 2011 - 7:00 P. M.

A special meeting notice was posted for the purpose or reconvening the March 8, 2011 annual meeting to address two agenda items:

(1) Gas tax funding and (2) the 2012 Centennial observance.

The meeting was called to order by the clerk Ellen Thatcher with the following residents present: Ray & Bev Westby, Terry Havar, Dale Van Horn, Gil Gessner, Michael Blassey, Dominic Henderson, Dave & Anna Anderson, Jim Roach, Jerry Speedling, Ray Holm and Merle Roberts..

The first item of business was to elect a chairman, and it was noted that Ray Holm had moderated the annual meeting in March. A motion was made by Bev Westby to elect Ray Holm for this reconvened meeting, motion seconded by Dale Van Horn and Holm was seated.

Dominic Henderson was asked to explain the remedy recommended by county officials to receive the gas tax refund from the state, and the need to levy about \$160,000 in road & bridge funds. There was discussion on internal moving of funds to have enough in Road & Bridge to qualify for the gas tax money. Motion was made by Bev Westby to transfer funds as needed, motion seconded by Terry Havar. The motion was passed with no nays.

The question was asked if the town board may spend money for the 2012 Centennial celebration. Havar moved that the board may decide on spending general fund money. Motion was seconded by Dale Van Horn and the motion passed with no nays heard.

Motion to adjourn this special meeting by Bev Westby, seconded by Dale Van Horn and carried.

DECEMBER 5, 2011 - 7:15 P. M.

The regular monthly meeting of Mission Township followed immediately after the special meeting. Supervisors Dave Anderson, Merle Roberts and Jerry Speedling were present along with treasurer Dominic Henderson and clerk Ellen Thatcher. Crosslake Policeman Jake Maier was present and the residents mentioned in the special meeting minutes.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Dave Anderson, and the flag pledge was already done in the special meeting.

Minutes of the November 7th meeting were in the hand-out packet. Motion to approve as presented by Roberts, seconded by Anderson

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~~and motion carried.~~

~~Treasurer Henderson reported receipts in November were \$198,606.20 which included the 2nd half of the levy, disbursements were \$39,695.31 leaving a balance of \$641,135.15. Motion to approve the report by Anderson, seconded by Speedling and carried.~~

~~Crosslake policeman Maier reported on seventeen incidents in Nov.~~

~~Fire department report was given by assistant chief Joe Ashman.~~

~~There are now five members in firefighter I training. The benefit for the Zac Watson twins and family, sponsored by the Relief Association saw 325 people attend, and 255 meals were served. Jim Van Horn won the rifle that was the prize for the ticket drawing. Speedling applauded the department for a successful benefit. Final financial details will be given later.~~

~~Road & Bridge report by Roberts. Gophers have dug across Mission Way and repairs have been needed. With no snow so far the roads are in good condition.~~

~~Park & Recreation report by Anna Anderson. The park is quiet now. Centennial plans are moving ahead. Some details have been gleaned. It took from 1908 to 1912 to get the township organized. The Centennial celebration will be in conjunction with the Fire Fair the third Sat. in July. Ideal Township had their Centennial and they will be asked for ideas. Bev Westby has gone to the Historical Society and found a census from 1913. Dominic Henderson also had some old information.~~

~~Michael Blassey asked about cleaning trails of downed trees do they could be used for cross country skiing. Volunteers could clear. Bev Westby will contact Don Bahmann who ran the groomer with the Merrifield snowmobile club to ask about preparing a cross country trail.~~

~~Cemetery - no report~~

~~Transfer station - Van Horn said recycling is still going good.~~

~~Old business - A short report was given on the MAT annual meeting and convention in Alexandria.~~

~~New business - Anderson will check with the furnace installer to see why the thermostat is not producing the needed heat.~~

~~Jim Roach asked if a light could be run to the recycling station.~~

~~Correspondence was reviewed.~~

~~Twenty eight claims (#6450-6477) in the total amount of \$30,053.61 were checked and initialed. Motion was made by Anderson to pay all, motion seconded by Speedling and carried.~~

~~Motion to adjourn by Roberts, seconded Anderson and carried. 8:15 P.M.~~

Ellen Thatcher, clerk

~~DECEMBER 12, 2011 - 7:00 P. M.~~

~~The annual budget setting meeting was called to order by board chairman Dave Anderson with supervisors Merle Roberts and Jerry Speedling present. Also treasurer Dominic Henderson, clerk Ellen Thatcher, Assistant Fire Chief Joe Ashman and Relief assn. preseedent Jim Roach were present. No residents.~~

~~The budget for 2013 for the fire department was considered first. Roach said they are waiting for a FEMA grant for Tender I, which would be a 95/5% and about \$165,000. There was discussion on the merits of buying or leasing fire department vehicles. It was agreed that another \$25,000 will be transferred to the reserve account for 2011. The department will be able to approve the same budget of \$139,700 as was in 2012 for 2013.~~

~~General fund items were considered, and it was agreed that the disbursements could be reduced by about \$10,000 for 2013.~~

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Road & Bridge - There was discussion on the reserve needed for future road work, especially East Horseshoe Lake Road which is the oldest asphalt. Some line items were reduced and especially mowing was increased.

Park & Recreation - The trails need work. It was agreed to add \$5,000 for grounds improvement.

Treasurer Henderson will prepare the tentative budget for 2013, and it will be used in conjunction with the annual levy setting meeting in January 2012.

Motion to adjourn by Roberts, seconded Speedling. 10:10 P. M.

Ellen Thatcher, clerk

The December minutes are unapproved until the January 3, 2012 meeting.