

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2004**

FINAL APPROVED

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Laurie Petek at 10:00 A.M. at the Ganges Township Hall, corner of 119th Avenue and 64th Street. Board members present: Hutchins, Looman, Petek, Reimink, Yonkers. Also present, Doug Darling, Township Assessor.

The purpose the Special Meeting was called was to discuss the motion filed by iPCS, Inc. requesting determination of the 2003 Winter and Summer Tax Liability, in the US Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta Division.

Petek and Darling explained that iPCS owns property in Ganges Township, as well as in many other townships and municipalities, and has filed bankruptcy and is seeking tax relief by means of having the property tax values lowered which have been set by the Township Assessor. Foster, Swift, Collins, and Smith, P.C. is a legal firm in Lansing, and is offering to include Ganges in a joint representation in the Georgia Bankruptcy Court.

Petek has discussed this with Steve McKown, Township Attorney, and his advice is to join the group for fair representation.

Petek moved, Hutchins seconded, to authorize the Clerk and Treasurer to issue a check(s) up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 to Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. to participate in the joint representation against iPCS in Georgia Bankruptcy Court, pertaining to 2003 Winter and Summer Tax Liabilities, without further board approval. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Reimink - Yes; Petek - Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Looman - Yes; Hutchins - Yes (5/0).

Petek will contact Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C. to initiate the participation and contract/agreement.

Petek moved, Hutchins seconded, to hold the Planning Commission payroll until November since it has not been turned in at this time. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers
Ganges Township Clerk