

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor John Hebert at 7:00 P.M. at the Ganges Township Hall, corner of 119th Avenue and 64th Street. Board members present: Hutchins, Looman, Hebert, Reimink, Yonkers.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the agenda with addition of 13F – Planning Commission Secretary and Chair salary review, 13G – Planning Commission Recording Secretary pay review, and the addition of a Pier Cove discussion of complaints received. Motion carried.

Public Comments - None

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to approve an operating budget amendment to the General Fund as follows:

<u>Decrease Line Items</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Increase Line Items</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Contingency	\$ 8,000.00	Township Board	7,000.00
		Cemetery Sexton Expenses	500.00
		Refuse Collection	500.00

Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to approve payment of the June bills, payable June 29, 2006, as presented by the Clerk, from the following funds: General Fund \$15,491.94; Fire Fund \$5,841.07; First Responder Fund \$5,089.14; Building Fund \$2,149.49. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Yonkers seconded, to appoint Chemical Bank Shoreline, Huntington, Fifth Third Bank, and Macatawa Bank as the 2006/2007 fiscal year depositories. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Campbell, Kusterer & Company from Bay City, as the Ganges Township auditors for the 2006/2007 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to approve the contract for \$2,400.00 with Darling Appraisal Services, Allegan, to perform the Ganges Township Assessing duties for the 2006/2007 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the contract with Michigan Township Services, Allegan, for zoning administration and enforcement for the 2006/2007 fiscal year, at a rate of \$45.00/hour. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to appoint Bauckham, Sparks, Rolfe, Lohrstorfer & Thall, P.C., Kalamazoo, as Ganges Township=s attorney for the 2006/2007 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Hebert seconded, to approve the regular monthly meetings of the Ganges Township Board be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. unless that day falls on a holiday or election, in which case the meeting will be held on the following day, which would be Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to increase the Supervisor’s salary from \$14,500.00 to \$18,000.00 per year effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Reimink - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes (5/0).

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to increase the Clerk’s salary from \$20,500 to \$26,000.00 per year effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Reimink - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes; Yonkers - Yes (5/0).

Hutchins moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to increase the Treasurer’s salary from \$17,000 to \$19,800.00 per year effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Reimink - Yes (5/0).

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to establish the Deputy Zoning Administrator’s salary at \$200.00 per month effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Reimink - Yes (5/0).

Hutchins moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to increase the Assistant Cemetery Sexton’s salary from \$15.00 per hour to \$20.00 per hour effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Reimink - Yes (5/0).

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to establish the Building Official’s base salary at \$225.00 per month effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Reimink - Yes (5/0).

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to increase the Planning Commission Chairperson’s salary from \$125.00 per meeting to \$150.00 per meeting; and increase the Planning Commission Secretary’s salary from \$100.00 per meeting to \$125.00 per meeting effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman - Yes; Hutchins – Yes; Hebert – Yes; Yonkers - Yes; Reimink - Yes (5/0).

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to increase the rate for the Planning Commission Recording Secretary to \$35.00 per meeting for attendance and \$100.00 per final set of minutes. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Yonkers – yes; Looman – yes; Hutchins – yes; Reimink – yes; Hebert – yes (5/0).

Looman moved, Reimink seconded, to increase the rate for the Zoning Board of Appeals Recording Secretary to \$50.00 per meeting. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins – yes; Reimink – yes; Hebert – yes; Yonkers – yes; Looman – yes (5/0).

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to increase the mileage reimbursement rate from \$0.405 to \$0.445 effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the proposed General Fund 2006/2007 Fiscal year Budget dated 6/28/06 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to adopt the proposed Fire Fund 2006/2007 Fiscal Year Budget dated 6/28/06 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the proposed Road Fund 2006/2007 Fiscal Year Budget dated 6/28/06 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to adopt the proposed Ambulance Fund 2006/2007 Fiscal Year Budget dated 6/28/06 as presented with an effective date of July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Yonkers seconded, to adopt the proposed First Responder Fund 2006/2007 Fiscal Year Budget dated 6/28/06 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the proposed Building Administration Fund 2006/2007 Fiscal Year Budget dated 6/28/06 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Hebert seconded, to deny the request from Metallurgical High Vacuum, 6708 124th Ave, Fennville, for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, due to a lack of significant increased employment, only the potential of one person. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins – yes; Reimink – yes; Yonkers – yes; Looman – no; Hebert – yes (4/1).

Hutchins moved, Hebert seconded, to increase the price of a non-resident/property owner cemetery lot from \$100.00 to \$750.00 per position. Motion carried.

Hebert reported the increased activity at Pier Cove Beach due to the fee charged at West Side County Park is causing traffic, garbage and parking problems in the area and he has received numerous complaints. Calls were made to 911 Sheriff dispatch but there were no officers available to respond.

Public Comment

Ed Reimink, 6438 119th Ave, expressed concern of possible snowplowing damage to the Loomis Cemetery sign due to its placement. He also inquired if the Board could pay for the paving of 119th Ave this year to lock in the price but not have it actually done until next year.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers
Ganges Township Clerk