

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2020**

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Ganges Township Hall located at the corner of 119th Ave and 64th St. Board members present by roll call attendance: Hutchins, Reimink, Hebert, Phelps, Gooding.

Reimink moved, Phelps seconded, to approve the agenda dated 4/14/2020 as presented with the addition of 9 C. AMR Contract update and 10 A. Tree Removal Proposal at Taylor Cemetery. Motion carried.

Correspondence – Email received from Rudy Broekhuis, 2297 Lakeshore Dr. about Pier Cove Beach Closure and Plans for Restoration.

Public Comments- Rudy Broekhuis, 2297 Lakeshore Dr., asking for a response to his emails.

Rick Elenbaas, 6788 121st Ave, asking if the board could do anything about a neighbor who was burning brush. Fire Chief to follow up.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 4/14/2020. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 03/31/2020 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 298,701.09
Ambulance Fund	31,001.10
Fire Fund	125,972.08
First Responders	9,797.36
Road Fund	386,466.77
CD	190,000.00

Hebert moved, Gooding seconded, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 04/14/2020 as presented from the following funds: General Fund- \$37,714.21; Fire Fund- \$15,479.47; First Responder Fund- \$6,256.97; Ambulance Fund- \$1,240.39. Motion carried.

Committee Reports- None

Unfinished Business

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve the ballot wording for the renewal of a Road Millage of 1.5 mills for 2021 - 2024. Motion carried by a roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-yes, Reimink-yes, Hebert-yes, Phelps-yes, Gooding-yes. (5/0)

Hebert moved, Gooding seconded, to approve the ballot wording for the increase of a Fire Protection Millage by 1.33 mills for 2021 – 2024. Motion carried by a roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-yes, Reimink-yes, Hebert-yes, Phelps-yes, Gooding-yes. (5/0)

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the ballot wording for an Ambulance and First Responder Millage of 0.50 mills for 2021-2024. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins-yes, Reimink-yes, Hebert-yes, Phelps-yes, Gooding-yes. (5/0)

Hutchins moved, Hebert seconded to approve spending not more than \$5000 on brush clearing and 66ft. of fence and gate at the entrance of Pier Cove Park. Motion carried.

Discussion about AMR vs Life Ambulance service and what would be best for our township. Decision to be made at a later date.

New Business

Hebert moved, Phelps seconded, to approve Tree Removal proposal from Axman Enterprise Inc for \$4,000 at North property line of Taylor cemetery. Motion carried.

Public Comments- Rudy Broekhuis, 2297 Lakeshore, thanked the board for approving the fence at Pier Cove Park.

Diane Broekhuis, 2297 Lakeshore, expressed concern about not having restroom facilities at Pier Cove Park.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Phelps, Ganges Twp Clerk