GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 12, 2011

FINAL APPROVED

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

Reimink moved, Yonkers seconded, to accept the agenda dated 7/12/11 as presented with the addition of Item 10.F. Fennville District Library report. Motion carried.

Steve Stegman, AMR representative, provided a demonstration of new equipment that they would like to purchase for the Fennville ambulance to assist with rural emergency procedures. Equipment includes an automated CPR machine, an IV "gun" to assist in quickly establishing IV lines and a carbon monoxide monitor for patients. AMR is seeking donations to help with the cost of the equipment which is approximately \$18,000-20,000.

Correspondence -

Elaine Troehler, ZBA Recording Secretary 7/11/11

Resignation letter

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to accept the resignation of Elaine Troehler as the ZBA Recording Secretary with regret, effective 7/12/11. Motion carried.

Public Comments

Jerry Hill, 2000 Plummer Lane, expressed his concerns regarding the dangerous situation with parking, pedestrians and traffic in the area around Pier Cove Beach. He urged the Board to once again try and eliminate the entry fee at West Side County Park to alleviate the increase in usage of Pier Cove Beach

John Tilton, 2060 Lake Michigan Dr, asked about the operating budget amendment for legal services that the Board approved at the 6/27/11 meeting. The amendment was made to the 2010/2011 fiscal budget. No change was made to the 2011/2012 budget.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 6/14/11 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the special meeting minutes of 6/27/11 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 6/30/11 as follows:

General Fund	\$178,060.35
Road Fund	20,597.56
Ambulance Fund	32,279.25
Fire Fund	86,149.83
First Responders Checking	44,094.49
Building Admin.	18,621.64
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 379,803.12

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to accept the Treasurer=s report as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 7/12/11 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$3,719.11; Fire Fund - \$2,091.91; First Responder Fund - \$2,180.63; Building Admin. Fund - \$1,662.92; Ambulance Fund - \$1,081.80. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Doug Compton, Fire Chief, was absent.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, submitted a written report of 10 runs for June. The "Baby Annie", infant CPR dummies, came in, and a fire call on the beach was accessed through Streamland. The fundraiser for Tim Simpson was a large success.

Al Ellingsen, Building Official, submitted a written report of 9 permits issued, 18 inspections performed and no land divisions.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, was absent. Yonkers reported the large pine tree in Plummerville Cemetery has been removed.

Gooding reported the Planning Commission continues to work on minor changes and corrections to the Zoning Ordinance.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, was absent.

Shirley Newman, Library Representative, provided an overview of the Library's structure of Directors and Board members and gave an update on the summer reading programs and children's activities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hebert reported that so far Sheriff's Dept. Sergeant Randall has been unable to find Reserve Officers available to do policing at Pier Cove on the weekends.

NEW BUSINESS

Yonkers moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the application of James Knight, 1224 68th St, for the Fire Department and First Responder Unit effective 7/12/11. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the application of David Sargent, 6463 124th Ave, for the Fire Department and First Responder Unit effective 7/12/11. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Birkes, 2344 70th St, stated the Allegan County Parks & Recreation Dept. is unlikely to drop the fee at West Side County Park since they feel all parks need to get treated the same and the revenues are necessary. He also reported the Sheriff's Dept. was patrolling the Pier Cove area over the holiday weekend but no tickets were issued. Hebert responded that tickets cars cannot be issued towed unless the vehicles are parked on the road.

John Tilton, 2060 Lake Michigan Dr, inquired about the volume of tickets issued last year by the reserve officers.

Jane VanDenBerg, 1910 Lakeshore Dr, asked about the new gate at Pier Cove but was informed it is on the Trull property, not Township property.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Clerk Ganges Township