

**MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13 , 2018  
REGULAR GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

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

Reimink moved, Gooding seconded, approval of the agenda dated February 13, 2018 as presented, with the addition of 12e - Friends of the Blue Star Trail's request for a letter of support; and 12f – Gary Holton's resignation as Cemetery Sexton. Motion carried.

County Commissioner Jessup reported on several happenings in the County, including potential millages to be put on election ballots, creation of county directory, and public hearings to change well from septic distances from 75 feet to 50 feet.

**Correspondence -**

Clark Carmichael sent correspondence regarding a letter of support from the Board to have the Blue Star Trail run through Ganges Township.

**Public Comments**

None

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, approval of the regular meeting minutes of 01/09/2018 with the addition of appointments made at the January 9, 2018 meeting to the Zoning Board of Appeals, including length of terms. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 1/31/2018 as follows:

General Fund	\$ 329,510.40
Ambulance Fund	24,286.94
Fire Fund	161,854.56
First Responders	5,969.27
Road Fund	450,792.51

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, acceptance of the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved and Gooding seconded payment of the bills as listed. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Doug Compton, Fire Chief** reported on runs conducted in January.

**Dan Diaz, EMS Coordinator**, asked for approval for Nikole DeLeon to attend First Responder Class at a cost of \$700.00. Hebert moved, Puglise seconded approving the \$700.00 cost for the class. Motion carried.

**Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton** reported 1 burial in January. Holton also commented on his upcoming retirement, and recommended that the Board approve he and A.J. Broe switching cemetery sexton duties.

**Barry Gooding, Trustee**, reported that the January and February Planning Committee meetings were canceled.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Hebert moved, Puglise seconded going forward with Allegan County Road Commission's recommendations for the 2018 Gravel Program. Motion carried.

Decisions regarding road resurfacing projects were tabled until the March 13, 2018 meeting.

Hutchins moved Reimink seconded adoption of the Standard Poverty Exemption recommendations. Motion carried.

Puglise moved, Reimink seconded approval of Apple Blossom Wedding Chapel's request for a 2018 event permit. Motion carried.

A resolution to conditionally support the Friends of the Blue Star Trail in their quest to have the trail run through Ganges Township was presented. Votes by roll call: Reimink, Hutchins and Puglise voted yes. Hebert and Gooding voted no. Resolution passed.

Hebert moved, Puglise seconded acceptance of the resignation of Gary Holton as Cemetery Sexton; and appointment of A. J. Broe to the position of Cemetery Sexton, effective as of March 31, 2018.

Hebert moved and Puglise seconded appointing Gary Holton as Assistant Cemetery Sexton, effective March 31, 2018

#### **Public Comments**

Puglise discussed occasionally requiring A.J. Broe's help with Hall maintenance matters. Compensation for such help to be put on the agenda for the March 13, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

Gooding moved and Puglise seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:48 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Puglise, Ganges Township Clerk