

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor John Hebert at 6:30 P.M. at the Ganges Township Hall, corner of 119th Avenue and 64th Street. Board members present by roll call: Hutchins, Looman, Hebert, Reimink, and Yonkers.

Reimink moved, Yonkers seconded, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comments – None

Correspondence – None

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to approve an operating budget amendment to the General Fund as follows: Increase Legal Fees by \$2,100.00 and Cemetery Expense by \$1,000.00; Decrease Contingency by \$3,100.00. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve an operating budget amendment to the Fire Fund as follows: Increase Salaries by \$6,600.00, Social Security by \$700.00, Equipment Repair/Maint \$1,200.00, Building/Land Improve. \$500.00; Decrease Telephone \$400.00, Building Repair/Maint \$500.00, Misc. \$200.00, Equipment \$7,900.00. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve an operating budget amendment to the First Responder Funds as follows: Increase Telephone \$100.00; Decrease Education \$100.00. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve payment of the June bills, payable June 29, 2009, as presented by the Clerk, from the following funds: General Fund \$14,574.61; Fire Fund \$14,909.10; First Responder Fund \$6,896.35; Building Fund \$2,031.63; Road Fund \$7,500.00. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to appoint Chemical Bank Shoreline, Huntington, Fifth Third Bank, Macatawa Bank and one credit union to be determined as the 2009/2010 fiscal year depositories. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Campbell, Kusterer & Company from Bay City, as the Ganges Township auditors for the 2009/2010 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to renew the contract for \$26,400.00 with Darling Appraisal Services, Allegan, to perform the Ganges Township Assessing duties for the 2009/2010 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the contract with Michigan Township Services, Allegan, for zoning administration and enforcement for the 2009/2010 fiscal year, at a rate of \$45.00/hour. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the contract with Lee Coltsen, Bellvue, for enforcement officer services for the 2009/2010 fiscal year at a rate of \$50.00/hour. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Bauckham, Sparks, Rolfe, Lohrstorfer & Thall, P.C., Kalamazoo, Olson, Bzdok & Howard, P.C., Traverse City, and Scholten Fant, Grand Haven, as Ganges Township=s attorneys for the 2009/2010 fiscal year. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to approve the regular monthly meetings of the Ganges Township Board during the 2009/2010 fiscal year be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. unless that day falls on a holiday or election day, in which case the meeting will be held on the following day, which would be Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Yonkers seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to establish the Firefighters salary at \$24.00 per run and \$18.00 for additional hours on the scene, and \$12.00 for meetings, training and work sessions effective July 1, 2009. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman – yes; Yonkers – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Hebert – abstain due to employment conflict (4/0/1).

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to establish the First Responders salary at \$24.00 per run and \$18.00 for additional hours on the scene, and \$12.00 for meetings, training and work sessions effective July 1, 2009. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Yonkers – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Looman – yes; Hebert – abstain due to employment conflict (4/0/1).

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to adopt the salary resolution to establish the Cemetery Sexton salary at \$80.00 per burial coordination in addition to salary effective July 1, 2009. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Looman – yes; Yonkers – yes; Hebert – yes (5/0).

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to set the cremation burial fee at \$100.00 for weekdays and \$125.00 for Saturdays effective July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to increase the mileage reimbursement rate from \$0.505 to \$0.55 effective July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to adopt the proposed General Fund 2009/2010 Fiscal year Budget dated 06/29/09 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Hutchins seconded, to adopt the proposed Fire Fund 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Budget dated 06/29/09 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the proposed Road Fund 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Budget dated 06/29/09 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the proposed Ambulance Fund 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Budget dated 06/29/09 as presented with an effective date of July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to adopt the proposed First Responder Fund 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Budget dated 06/29/09 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the proposed Building Administration Fund 2009/2010 Fiscal Year Budget dated 06/29/09 as presented, with an effective date of July 1, 2009. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded to approve the application of Matthew J. Zawila, 6254 119th Ave, Fennville as a Ganges Firefighter effective 6/29/09. Motion carried.

Hebert will contact Paul Wylie, MSU Extension, for a possible meeting regarding the Wind Energy report received from the State.

Board of Review will meet on 7/21 at 5:30 PM.

Public Comment

Jackie DeZwaan, 2259 68th St, asked if there are restrictions regarding the closeness of crop planting to roads, and road right-of-ways.

Looman moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers
Ganges Township Clerk