

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 8/09/11 as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence - None

Public Comments

Jerry Hill, 2000 Plummer Lane, presented a proposed sign for Pier Cove Beach further limiting activities and directing people to the West Side County Park with its facilities. He reiterated his concerns for safety and stated the reserve Sheriff presence is helping. He suggested limiting the use to residents only.

Roy Newman 6621 121st Ave, stated that Laketown Township attempted to restrict a public beach to residents only and found it was illegal to do so.

Hutchins moved, Gooding seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 7/12/11 as presented with a correction on Page 2 regarding Hebert's response to Jim Birkes' public comment. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 7/31/11 as follows:

General Fund	\$204,464.35
Road Fund	20,600.52
Ambulance Fund	31,203.29
Fire Fund	84,076.92
First Responders Checking	41,923.30
Building Admin.	19,897.09
 TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	 \$ 402,165.47

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 8/09/11 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$24,460.80; Fire Fund - \$2,577.35; First Responder Fund - \$1,269.98; Building Admin. Fund - \$640.52; Ambulance Fund - \$1,081.80; Road Fund - \$6,500.00. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Doug Compton, Fire Chief, reported 3 false alarms within the past few days. Ravine Trail is a new street they were unaware of which is off Lakeshore Drive south of 123rd/Pier Cove.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, submitted a written report of 21 runs for July.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported 2 burials for the month. The stumps at Plummerville Cemetery have been removed but there is considerable debris left to be cleaned up. Holton will get estimates for the cleanup.

Gooding reported the Planning Commission has worked through the Zoning Ordinance revisions and will be scheduling a public hearing.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, provided an update on the jail project with the most recent plan being reduced to around \$16.5 million. Revenues for the County's budget are down \$1.4 million so they are working on budget cuts for many departments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hebert reported that the Reserve Sheriff officers have been working well at Pier Cove since mid-July when they started.

Hebert has not received a response from Ms. Williams regarding her Dangerous Building violation which was emailed so it will be sent to her by certified mail.

NEW BUSINESS

Yonkers moved, Hutchins seconded, to adopt the resolution to oppose incorporation as a Charter Township at this time. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Gooding – yes; Yonkers – yes; Hebert – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes (5/0).

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to accept the resignation of Angela Hopp from the Ganges First Responder Unit effective 8/11/11 with regret. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judge Baillargeon, 57th District Court Judge, provided a presentation on the new Allegan County Drug Treatment Court.

Shirley Newman, Fennville District Library Representative, announced the Library is collecting youth books so donations are greatly appreciated.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Clerk
Ganges Township