

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: Looman, Yonkers, Hebert, Reimink, Hutchins.

Public Comments:

Jane Vandenberg, 1910 Lakeshore Dr, asked about the status of the ISO rating for the Fire Dept, inquired whether cemetery records were available on a computer, asked about the placement of the posts at Plummerville Cemetery, and inquired about painting the outside of the Town Hall.

Bob Simonds, 2318 Lakeshore Dr, stated the Pier Cove Beach parking problems seem to be better and the Sheriff's department is responding well.

Supervisor Hebert opened the Public Hearing for the Proposed Millage Rates and Budgets for the 2007/2008 Fiscal Year at 7:07 PM. Hebert explained the rates to be levied, and asked for questions and comments. John Tilton, 2060 Lake Michigan Dr., stated that real estate sales have slowed down and questioned the increase in the projected SEV.

Hebert then reviewed the proposed General Fund budget. John Tilton questioned why there were no funds budgeted for the 121st road end enforcement.

Hebert presented the proposed Fire Fund 2007/2008 budget. John Tilton commented on the large carryover of funds. Hebert responded this is due to the delay in the new fire truck since no funds were paid out of the 2006/2007 budget.

Hebert presented the proposed First Responder, Road Fund, Building Fund and Ambulance Fund 2007/2008 budgets, each with no public comments or questions received.

Hebert closed the Millage Rate and Budget public hearing and opened the regular meeting.

Reimink moved, Looman seconded, to accept the agenda dated 06/12/07 as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Shirley Logsdon, 1896 Blue Star Hwy		Inquiry for beer/wine liquor license for Glenwood Restaurant
Albert Crane, 6026 124 th Ave	5/16/07	Inquiry for marker at Hutchins Cemetery

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to approve the request from Albert Crane, 6026 124th Ave, to install a headstone for Albert & Letha Crane at Hutchins Cemetery. Motion carried.

David Sterken, Grand Rapids	5/28/07	Support for keeping 121 st Ave. open as a beach.
Rose & Dewey Jackson, 6940 121 st	5/25/07	Support for keeping 121 st Ave open as a beach
Mike Schaller, Douglas, MI	5/23/07	Support for keeping 121 st Ave open as a beach
Allegan County Commission	5/24/07	Support for the Township's appeal of 121 st ruling
Lillian Mosier, Lakeshore Dr	5/30/07	Support for Township's appeal of 121 st ruling
Neil VanLeeuwen, 6751 119 th Ave	5/17/07	Support for Township's appeal of 121 st ruling
Aaron Plummer, 6918 120 th Ave.	6/7/07	Support for keeping 121 st Ave. open as a beach.
Erin Fuller, Black River Watershed		Notification Ganges was not picked for build out analysis

John Tilton submitted a letter to the Board which will be recognized at the next meeting. He made a verbal request for the township to re-install the ingress/egress sign at 121st but the board ~~declined the request.~~ **took no action.**

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 05/09/067 with a date correction in the heading of page 2. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Looman seconded, to approve the meeting minutes of 05/24/07 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 05/31/07 as follows:

General Fund	\$468,447.76
Road Fund	289,432.60
Ambulance Fund	68,774.95
Fire Fund	250,877.87
First Responders Checking	47,630.19
Building Admin.	40,465.71

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

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the Fire Fund Operating Budget amendment as follows: increase Transportation by \$500.00; increase Education by \$700.00; decrease Equipment by \$1,200.00. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Looman seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 06/12/07 as amended by the Clerk from the following funds: General Fund - \$17,724.90; Fire Fund - \$943.83; First Responder Fund - \$214.19; Building Admin. Fund - \$2,821.81; Ambulance Fund - \$839.87; Road Fund - \$10,500.00. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve the purchase of the Apex Sketch software Multi-User license for Assessing at a cost of \$545.00. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the purchase of the BS&A Equalizer/Assessor software Multi-User license at a cost of \$1,000.00. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Doug Compton, was absent. Applications for two new firefighter/first responders were presented.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to accept the application of Melissa Bielik, 2264 63rd St, for fire fighter and first responder. Motion carried.

Looman moved, Hutchins seconded, to accept the application of Angela Brink, 1709 65th St, for first responder. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the proposal for a Breathing Air System, dated 6/4/07, at a cost of \$3,000.00 including the filter. Motion carried.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, was absent but submitted a written report of call activity for May listing 15 runs for the month.

Dick Hutchins reported the Ambulance Committee will meet on 6/14/07.

Ken Sargent, Cemetery Sexton, was absent. Bids were obtained for the roof replacement on the shed at Taylor Cemetery.

Hutchins moved, Looman seconded, to accept the proposal from Louis Sikora, 6494 122nd Ave, to remove and replace the shingles, repair the roof , and replace the door on the storage shed at Taylor Cemetery at a cost of \$1,500.00. Motion carried.

Jackie DeZwaan, Planning Commission Vice-Chair, provided a report of the Commission's meeting on 5/22/07. A special meeting is scheduled for 6/13 and the regular meeting will be 6/26/07.

Terry Looman reported the Transfer Station is running smoothly and the recycling activities are going well.

Marge Shelden, Library representative, gave her final report as her term ends 6/30/07 and she is retiring. An Open House is scheduled for 6/14/07 from 1-5 PM to meet Mary Hill, the new Library Director. The Board thanked Marge for her years of service.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, provided a newsletter and continues to work with the Sheriff's department regarding the Pier Cove and County Park parking problems. Vehicles will not be towed but will be ticketed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve the bid from Michigan Paving & Materials for \$101,146.30 for the paving of 119th Ave, from Blue Star to 66th St, plus the additional County costs up to a total maximum of \$120,000.00. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman – yes; Yonkers – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Hebert – yes (5/0).

The Board reviewed and approved the draft summer newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

Parking Violations Bureau Ordinance – the Board reviewed the information with no action taken. It is not an ordinance the Board will pursue at this time.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to appoint Sidona Hunsberger, 2301 62nd St, to the Fennville District Library Board representative for a three (3) year term ending 6/30/10. Motion carried.

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FINAL APPROVED

Minutes of 06/12/07

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Ronda Hall, 6691 120th Ave, as recording secretary for the Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to adopt Ordinance 31, an amendment to Article VII of the Ganges Township Zoning Ordinance for Conditional Rezoning. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to adopt Ordinance 32, an amendment to Article XI, Section 11.1C of the Ganges Township Zoning Ordinance to remove Zoning Board of Appeals variances for use. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bob Simonds, 2318 Lakeshore Dr, voiced his disappointment that the Board is not moving forward on the Parking Violations Bureau Ordinance.

Looman moved, Hebert seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Ganges Township Clerk