

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 Looman.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to accept the agenda dated 7/14/09 with the deletion of item 8.b. Budget Amendments. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Kathleen Schwegel, 6385 120 th Ave	6/5/09	Support for wind farms in Ganges Township
Don Maslanka, 6711 118 th Ave	7/2/09	Restated interest in serving on the Plan. Comm.
Tina Clemons, Allegan Conservation Dist	6/18/09	Michigan Energy Crews - cancelled

Public Comments :

Marge Sheldon, 2059 Lakeshore, asked if the cemetery information had been computerized. Yonkers reported all lots, lot owners and burials have been recorded from the manual books. Deed and burial certificate information is being worked on.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 6/9/09 as presented with the correction of a type on page 2. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the special meeting minutes of 6/29/09 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 6/30/09 as follows:

General Fund	\$426,441.26
Road Fund	46,535.83
Ambulance Fund	48,529.13
Fire Fund	84,272.59
First Responders Checking	40,169.30
Building Admin.	32,440.76
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 678,388.87

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

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 7/14/09 as presented with a void to the Scholten Fant check and a hold on Bauckham Sparks check for clarification, from the following funds: General Fund - \$7,476.22; Fire Fund - \$297.91; First Responder Fund - \$466.63; Building Admin. Fund - \$993.00; Ambulance Fund - \$971.97. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Doug Compton was absent.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, submitted a written report of 9 runs for the month.

Dick Hutchins reported the Ambulance Committee met in June and submitted the quarterly activity report.

Al Ellingsen, Building Official, submitted a written report with 4 permits issued for a valuation of \$204,000.00, 18 inspections and no land divisions.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, was absent.

Sally Howard, Planning Commission Chair, reported a draft zoning ordinance should be available in August for the Board and attorney to review. Considerable activity is being spent with the current commercial zone and the hydrology and soil suitability maps. It appears a significant amount of the property may be difficult to obtain septic permits for commercial development.

Terry Looman, Transfer Station representative, reported gravel for the parking and drive area will not be necessary. Recycling usage continues to increase.

Jane Nally, Library Representative, was absent.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, was absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the resurfacing of 121st Avenue from Blue Star Highway to I-196 with one layer of HMA (wedge) and Chip Coat & Fog Coat for an estimated cost of \$78,583.00. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board agreed on proposed ballot language for the rezoning of parcel 03-07-005-008-00 which will be presented to the Ganges registered voters at a coming election. The language will be forwarded to the attorney for review.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the request for an Outdoor Entertainment permit for Apple Blossom Chapel & Gardens, 2337 64th St, for a wedding and reception on 09/12/09 from 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Birkes, 2344 70th St, suggested the Board notify owners of commercial property, particularly along Blue Star Highway, of the unlikelihood of development options due to soil and hydrology issues and remove those properties from the commercial zone.

Carmen Behn, 2276 68th St, requested her property and that of others that previously submitted a petition be rezoned residential and commercial uses are restricted due to wetlands and soils.

Looman moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Ganges Township Clerk