

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.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to accept the agenda dated 4/12/11 as presented with the addition of Item 11.E. – Allegan County Planning Commission survey. Motion carried.

Correspondence -

Bob Maes, Bay Shores Land Company	3/25/11	Request for resurfacing Creekwood road
Shirley Newman, 6621 121 st Ave	4/4/11	Interest in Library District representative

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to accept the resignation of Terry Looman as Ganges Township Trustee, dated 2/25/11 with regret. Motion carried.

Public Comments

Jackie DeZwaan, 2259 68th St, voiced support in continuing the services of the Allegan County Planning Commission, citing resources provided.

Phil Badra, 2230 70th St, stated concerns with the dissolution of the County Planning Commission.

Jim Birkes, 2344 70th St, also voiced concerns if the County Planning Commission was dissolved.

Bob Genetski, State Representative, provided a review of the proposed state budget and the types of cuts that would be required.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 3/8/11 as presented with a typo correction. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 3/31/11 as follows:

General Fund	\$321,622.61
Road Fund	12,513.86
Ambulance Fund	81,997.54
Fire Fund	111,841.06
First Responders Checking	8,233.85
Building Admin.	25,813.68

TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 562,002.60
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Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to accept the Treasurer=s report as presented. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve a General Fund operating budget amendment as follows: Increase Legal Fees \$36,800.00; Decrease Zoning Admin -\$5,000.00; Enforcement cleanup -\$5,000.00; Planning Commission -\$10,000.00; Contingency -\$16,800.00. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve a First Responder Fund operating budget amendment as follows: Increase Equipment Repair \$2,100.00; Decrease Operating Supplies -\$2,100.00. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve a Fire Fund operating budget amendment as follows: Increase Equipment Repair/Maint \$5,000.00; Operating Supplies \$150.00; Decrease Contingency -\$5,150.00. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 4/12/11 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$19,209.67; Fire Fund - \$8,744.01; First Responder Fund - \$6,140.00; Building Admin. Fund - \$1,862.45; Ambulance Fund - \$1,081.80. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Doug Compton reported 2 calls for the month with both called off. A pancake breakfast is scheduled for ~~5/29~~ **6/26** and a chicken barbeque will be held in the fall.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to contract with Tim Simpson for the repairs at Station 1 for a cost of \$3,500.00. Motion carried.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to accept the bid from Spencer Manufacturing, South Haven, for the hitch and wiring for Truck 33 at a cost of \$2,646.97, dated 4/8/11. Motion carried.

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

Al Ellingsen, Building Official, submitted a written report of 2 permits issued, 10 permits renewed, 14 inspections performed and no land divisions.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported no burials for the month and the weekly Township property inspections were completed. Holton submitted pictures of a large pine tree at Plummerville that needs to be removed. Bids will be obtained to remove the tree and 3 large stumps. The artificial flowers, wreaths, etc. have been removed from the cemeteries.

The Board considered a request from the Plummer family to allow the planting of a cherry tree in the open area of Plummerville Cemetery but declined the request.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, provided an update regarding the jail project and information concerning the County budget. The County Commission will be decreased from 11 to either 9 or 7 and feedback from the municipalities is appreciated.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Shirley Newman, 6621 121st Ave, as Fennville District Library Representative, term expiring June 2014. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to appoint Barry Gooding, 2236 68th St., to the Trustee position, to fill the remainder of Terry Looman's term, expiring 11/20/12. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to appoint Dick Hutchins, Trustee, as the ZBA Alternate. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve the resolution for Maraj, LLC for a Dance-Entertainment Permit to be held in conjunction with 2010 Tavern Licensed business at 6999 114th Ave, Fennville, MI 49408. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Yonkers – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Hebert – yes (4/0/0).

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the bid from Southwestern Michigan Dust Control (SMDC) for 2 applications of salt brine at \$6,500.00/application. Motion carried.

The Board completed the survey regarding the Allegan County Planning Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Clerk
Ganges Township