

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.

Gooding moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve the agenda dated 05/13/14 as presented. Motion carried.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, reported the County will have a Senior Millage proposal on the August Primary ballot as well as a 911 Proposal. The West Side County Park project will begin soon and there will be no fees to use the Park.

Correspondence

Jack Vandenberg	4/16/14 (email)	Regarding parking at west end of 114 th Ave.
Susan Pierson,	4/25/14	Letter of resignation from Zoning Board of Appeals

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to accept the resignation of Susan Pierson, 6944 Lakeshore Ct, from the Zoning Board of Appeals with regret. Motion carried.

Public Comments

Jackie DeZwaan, 2259 68th St, asked if the recent change in contractor for recycling at the Transfer Station allow different items for recycling than the previous one. Gooding stated it will not.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 4/15/14 as presented with correction from "Air Waste" to Arrowaste. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 04/30/14 as follows:

General Fund	\$194,393.94
Road Fund	239,684.13
Ambulance Fund	64,514.95
Fire Fund	172,899.58
First Responders Checking	7,485.50
 TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	 \$ 678,978.10

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

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 05/13/14 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$21,429.75; Fire Fund - \$5,632.42; First Responder Fund - \$2,259.62; Ambulance Fund - \$1,192.68. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the Allegan County Sheriff patrols, dumpster and portajohn services for Pier Cove Park through Labor Day. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve payment of \$700.00 to Rick Nowak for materials for bathroom remodeling at Station 1. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, submitted a written report of 15 runs for the First Responder Unit in April and reported there had been 4 air flights out of a residence on 116th Ave. Connie Knight ordered First Aid packets for EMS week to take to the Glenn School.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported 1 burial for April. The Veteran flags will be put up on Thursday, 5/15, with the help of Ron Bellenger.

Barry Gooding reported the Plan. Comm. had a public hearing on proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance which resulted in the changes being approved but the rezoning for the Blue Star area in Glenn was dropped due to lack of support, and the Kismet Bakery application was approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Hazardous Recycling collection project has been put on hold until there is more demand since the cost to the Township is substantial and there are options for individuals to take their items to the center and pay by the pound.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve the estimate for 114th Avenue Parking at an estimated cost of \$9,800.00. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Yonkers moved, Hebert seconded, to adopt Ordinance # 52 to amend Ordinance #46 Ganges Zoning Ordinance as presented with an effective date of 7 days following publication. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Hutchins – yes; Reimink – yes; Yonkers – yes; Gooding – yes; Hebert – yes (5/0).

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the FOIA appeal of Neil VanLeeuwen, dated 4/12/14, and to waive attorney/client privilege for the email string of responses beginning 04/01/14 through 04/03/14. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve \$5,000.00 to begin assessing field work for 187 parcels that need to be reappraised due to insufficient information in the assessing files, estimated total cost of \$15,000.00 (\$80/parcel). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Hebert announced that 116th Avenue will be paved between 66th and 68th streets soon due to the I-196 overpass work and the detour required.

Jane Vandenberg, 1910 Lakeshore Dr, asked about the fence on the north side of Pier Cove Park and stated it's damaged and looks bad. Hebert informed her it is owned and was installed by the property owner adjacent to the park and is not Township property.

Carla Cook, 1709 65th St, voiced complaints with the Enforcement Officer for blight and junk cars and stated he was taking pictures, behaved rudely and had no identification or markings on his car to show he was acting on behalf of the Township.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Clerk
Ganges Township