

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.

Yonkers moved, Gooding seconded, to accept the agenda dated 8/13/13 as presented. Motion carried.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, provided a newsletter with an update on recent County Commission news.

Correspondence - None

Public Comments -

Mary Whiteford, candidate for State Representative, introduced herself and provided a brief background.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular monthly meeting minutes of 07/9/13 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 07/31/13 as:

General Fund	\$175,372.98
Road Fund	261,945.59
Ambulance Fund	22,930.87
Fire Fund	117,736.51
First Responders Checking	40,198.73
Building Admin.	1.45
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 618,186.13

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 08/13/13 with correction from the following funds: General Fund: \$27,420.16; Fire Fund: \$5,200.62; First Responder Fund: \$3,426.95; Ambulance Fund - \$1,192.68. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Compton was absent.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Officer, provided a written report of 18 runs for the month. Landon Rewa passed the First Responder exam and has begun serving.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported 5 burials for July. He reported a washout on 121st Ave. a few weeks back and continues to monitor it after each rain.

Gooding reported the Planning Commission did not meet in July.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hutchins moved, Hebert seconded, to approve a maximum expenditure of \$2,000.00 for an engineering and financial study for the Blue Star Trail with this being the only financial investment the Township will make towards the project. Motion carried.

The Zoning Administrator reported there is little to no progress on the Felker property’s Dangerous Building violation. She will send a letter to Felker stating the Township will proceed with the next step to correct the violation and any charges will be added to the tax bill.

NEW BUSINESS

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the proposed change to the Cemetery Rules and Regulations item (2) (n) regarding multiple cremains in a single vault. Motion carried.

The Township received a request from the Allegan County Drain Commission for an Easement for the Walker Drain on the property in Warner’s Plat, the northern 25’ of Lot 10. The Board is in agreement for the Supervisor to contact the adjacent property owners and see if they are interested in the property. The Supervisor tabled further action until more information is available.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to approve the estimate from Broe’s X-cavating for \$1,734.00 to repair the washout on 121st Avenue. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS -

Betty Tilton, 2060 Lake Michigan Dr, asked if the Board had seen the washout on 121st Avenue and asked what was going to be done to protect the public from getting injured.

Don Karaus, 2025 Brookhill Dr, suggested the need for engineering studies for the washout on 121st Ave.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Clerk