

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, and Hutchins.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to accept the agenda dated 07/13/10 as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence -

John Gottlick	email 6/7/10	Thank you for Pier Cove parking patrol
Jan Schroeder	email 6/7/10	Thank you for Pier Cove parking patrol

Public Comments:

Jane Vandenberg, 1910 Lakeshore Dr, stated cars are parking on Lakeshore Dr. north of 123rd Ave on both sides of the street. There are not any No Parking signs in that area but she feels there should be.

Ann Gray, 1974 68th St, read and submitted a letter regarding the Planning Commission public hearings of 6/29 and 6/30/10 on the Draft Zoning Ordinance amendment.

Cari Bausone, 6964 Lakeshore Ct, provided an update on the Drain Commission's status regarding the engineering study of her area of the township.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 06/8/10 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the special meeting minutes of 06/24/10 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 06/30/10 as follows:

General Fund	\$369,755.04
Road Fund	85,979.30
Ambulance Fund	40,401.54
Fire Fund	75,336.18
First Responders Checking	32,495.87
Building Admin.	25,319.67
 TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	 \$ 629,287.60

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

Hutchins moved, Looman seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 07/13/10 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$4,252.22; Fire Fund - \$611.58; First Responder Fund - \$283.91; Building Admin. Fund - \$2,171.00; Ambulance Fund - \$1,030.29. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Doug Compton, was absent.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, reported call activity of 10 runs for last month. He will begin ordering items that were approved in the budget.

Dick Hutchins reported the Ambulance Committee met on 6/10/10 and submitted the quarterly report from the Ambulance Board.

Al Ellingsen, Building Official, submitted a written report of 4 permits issued, 15 inspections and no land divisions for the month.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported the tentative start date for the stairs at Pier Cove is 7/26/10. Two large trees were removed at Taylor Cemetery due to the proximity to the driveways.

Sally Howard, Planning Commission Chair, reported the Commission held two public hearings for the Proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment. The Planning Commission will be reviewing the comments collected at the hearings and continue to work on the changes/additions.

Terry Looman, Transfer Station representative, reported the next meeting will be July 15th. The recycling bins may have to be emptied twice a month since the volume continues to increase.

Tom Jessup, County Commissioner, was absent.

Ganges Township Board

FINAL APPROVED

Minutes of 07/13/10

Jeanne VanZoeren, representing the Friends of the Blue Star Trail, gave an overview of the project which includes a 23 mile bike path along Blue Star Highway from Baseline Road to Douglas and answered questions from the audience.

Hutchins moved, Looman seconded, to adopt the resolution to endorse the Saugatuck-South Haven Blue Star Trail Plan as presented. Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman – yes; Yonkers – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Hebert – No (4/1).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Yonkers moved, Hebert seconded, to go into a closed session for the following reasons:

- (1) To consult with legal counsel regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with the pending litigation filed by John D. & Mary E. Tilton, and Harold A. & Suzanne B. Stege, Trustees of the Harold A. Stege Trust against Ganges Township, for the reason that an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the Township: and
- (2) To have a phone conversation with legal counsel pertaining to the above-reference pending litigation.

Motion carried by roll call vote as follows: Looman – yes; Yonkers – yes; Reimink – yes; Hutchins – yes; Hebert – yes (5/0).

Hebert recessed the regular meeting at 8:09 PM and the Board proceeded to the office area.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to adjourn the closed session at 8:47 PM. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS -

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the bid from R Smith & Sons, Inc. for \$25,668.00 for the 2010 gravel program dated 06/30/10, with invoices to be paid upon receipt. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Marge Shelden, 2059 Lakeshore Dr, expressed her disappointment with the Library Board representatives and their non-attendance at Township meetings. She sent a letter to the Fennville District Library Board.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, stated there are multiple benches being placed in the cemeteries and asked about enforcement of the Cemetery Rules & Guidelines.

Looman moved, Yonkers seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 rP.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Ganges Township Clerk