

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Ganges Township Hall located at the corner of 64th Street and 119th Ave. By Roll Call, in attendance: Reimink, Hutchins, Gooding, Puglise and Hebert.

Reimink moved, Gooding seconded approval of the Agenda as presented with the addition of item 12 B, the approval for Dust Control. Motion carried.

County Commissioner, Jessup reported on current County finances; the resolution of the water problem in the Youth Home; and discussions regarding how to continue to finance Road Patrol, as State does not mandate State responsibility for road patrol.

Correspondence -

Hebert reported an email received from the Broekhuis's regarding Pier Cove issues.

Public Comments

Tom Walsh, 6779 - 120th Street, indicated his interest in growing medical marijuana, and discussed time line for licensing, and potential regulations.

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 01/10/2017 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of January 31, 2017, as follows:

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	General Fund	\$224,907.75
	Ambulance Fund	26,702.40
	Fire Fund	143,100.01
	First Responders	3,517.73
	Road	186,755.520

Hebert moved, Puglise seconded, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Gooding moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 02/14/17 as presented from the General, Fire and 1st Responder funds: . Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Fire Chief, Compton reported 12 medical assists.

There was brief discussion regarding the creation of ordinances to regulate driveway clearances, pond requirements, etc. to make it easier for fire fighters to access fires and water to fight fires..

Compton presented 2 employment applications, Cody A. Hardy for both fire fighter and 1st responder positions, and Tiffany Kowalski for a 1st responder position. Hebert moved, Reimink seconded to accept both applications. Motion carried.

Compton also asked for Board approval to purchase 4 cabinets for the fire stations. Hebert moved and Puglise seconded to approve the cost of \$650 for the 4 cabinets.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Officer reported 16 calls, and the need to routinely changes batteries in the two heart start systems.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported 1 burial.

Holton also reported the repair of the sign at Pier Cove.

Barry Gooding reported the Planning Commission did not meet in January and that there will be no meeting on February 28.. They will continue to meet on a month to month basis as necessary.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Hebert reported the judge's approval of an award of our costs and attorney fees in the Foster suit; however Foster will appeal this latest decision iwith the Michigan Court of Appeals.

Hebert reported on the property at 6990 114th Avenue. The owner moved several vehicles from the site, and Valentine Excavating removed other debris. MTA will continue checking the site to ensure progress continues.

NEW BUSINESS –

Hutchins moved and Gooding seconded acceptance of the Road Commisison's suggested gravel work order, including 123rd Street, if all could be done for \$33,000. Motion carried.

Hebert moved and Reimink seconded approval of Dust Control. Reimink to call Southwest Michigan Dust Control. Motion carried.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Puglise, Ganges Township Clerk