

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 8/14/12 as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence -

Neil VanLeeuwen	08/02/12	Letter of resignation from Planning Commission
Ric Curtis, 2264 Lakeshore Dr	07/11/12	Letter of interest for Planning Commission
Mary Ryder, Lake Michigan Shore Assoc.	08/10/12	Appreciation for Pier Cove improvements

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to accept Neil VanLeeuwen's resignation from the Planning Commission with regret. Motion carried.

Public Comments – None

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 7/10/12 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 7/31/12 as follows:

General Fund	\$270,489.79
Road Fund	282,841.50
Ambulance Fund	26,152.80
Fire Fund	136,946.46
First Responders Checking	54,364.93
Building Admin.	21,096.86
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 791,892.34

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

Hebert moved, Gooding seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 8/14/12 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$23,208.57; Fire Fund - \$3,105.75; First Responder Fund - \$3,607.55; Ambulance Fund - \$1,135.89; Building Fund - \$2,966.50. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Doug Compton, Fire Chief, reported it was a busy month with the dry conditions and the storm which brought a lot of trees/wires down.

Yonkers moved, Hebert seconded, to approve the quote from Darley for a manifold for Truck 23 that will allow multiple trucks to be filled at the same time, at a cost of \$1,287.95. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Hebert seconded, to approve up to \$20,000.00 for a fire/beach rescue truck. Motion carried.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Officer, reported 36 runs for the month. Continuing Education classes will begin in September or October.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to accept the quote # 1-227340800, 8/9/12, for a Lucas 2 unit with accessories from Physio-Control, at a cost of \$13,333.00. Motion carried.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported the tree damages from the recent storm at Plummerville, Taylor and Loomis cemeteries have all been cleaned up and it appears there are no damaged headstones. Some at Taylor were knocked over and will need to be set up.

Gooding reported the Planning Commission did not meet in July.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hebert announced a Judgment has been received for the Streamland/121st Beach case. No action has been taken.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve an increase in the field work charges for parcel updating to \$15.00 per parcel. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to authorize the Planning Commission to schedule a Public Hearing on the Proposed Master Plan as presented. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Gooding seconded, to not waive the rezoning fee for Marie DeZwaan as requested in her letter dated June 22, 2012. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hebert announced there will be a West Side County Park "Public Design Charette" on August 20, 2012 at the Ganges Township Hall, from 2-6 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to gather ideas for the Proposed Master Plan.

Hebert also announced there will be an Allegan County Scrap Tire Recycling Event held on Saturday, 9/22/12, from 9 AM – Noon. Each vehicle can bring a maximum of 7 car/truck tires OR 1 semi/tractor tire, first come first serve basis. The event will end when the truck is full or Noon, whichever comes first.

Public Comments

Jerry Hill, 2000 Plummerville Lane, commended Sexton Holton for his assistance with a recent burial. He also urged the Township Board to discontinue the 121st road end lawsuit by not appealing the recent judgment.

Sky Suydam, 2032 Lake Michigan Dr, also voiced opposition to continuing participation in the 121st lawsuit.

Jackie DeZwaan, 2259 68th St, asked about the tire collection restrictions. The collection will end once the semi-truck is filled.

Gooding moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Clerk