

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Ganges Township Hall, 1904 64th St. Board members present by roll call attendance: Looman, Yonkers, Hebert, Reimink, Hutchins.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to accept the agenda dated 12/12/06 with additions of 10.c. – Estimate for north entrance steps. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Susan Pierson, 6944 Lakeshore Ct. 11/15/06 Zoning Board of Appeals letter of interest

Public Comments:

Susan Poolman, 7021 114th Ave, asks the Board to consider paying the cost of the flashing yellow light at the Glenn School intersection as an agenda item for the January 2007 meeting.

David Babbitt, 6464 119th Ave., reported that with the absence of streetlights in Glenn, the tree lighting event was dangerous for pedestrians with car traffic in the area.

Teresa Wiley, 6633 121st Ave., suggested the Board develop a strategy or new 10 year road plan to present to the public so the road millage could be renewed. The Board included an article in the 2006 winter newsletter asking for citizen input regarding the road millage.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 11/14/06 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Looman seconded, to approve the special meeting minutes of 11/22/06 as presented. Motion carried with Hutchins abstaining due to absence.

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to approve the closed session minutes of 11/22/06 as presented. Motion carried with Hutchins abstaining due to absence.

Reimink reported the balances as of 11/30/06 as follows:

General Fund	\$414,371.46
Road Fund	211,375.71
Ambulance Fund	81,549.12
Fire Fund	222,573.98
First Responders	15,129.11
Building Admin.	40,516.07
 TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	 \$ 984,515.45

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

Looman moved, Reimink seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 12/12/06 as presented by the Clerk, from the following funds: General Fund - \$16,964.48; Fire Fund - \$6,158.35; First Responder Fund - \$877.35; Building Fund - \$3,399.27; Ambulance Fund - \$815.40; Road Fund - \$121,002.50. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Doug Compton was absent.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, was absent.

Dick Hutchins reported the Ambulance Committee will meet 12/14/06.

Al Ellingsen, Building Official, submitted a written report. There were no land divisions for the month.

Ken Sargent, Cemetery Sexton, was absent.

Barry Gooding, Planning Commission Chair, reported there was not a quorum for the 11/28/06 meeting and it was rescheduled for 12/5/06. There will be 3 public hearings for the 12/20/06 meeting (date changed due to holiday) for amendments to the Communications Tower section, Migratory Housing and also the amendments required to conform to the Zoning Enabling Act.

Terry Looman, Transfer Station representative, reported the next scheduled meeting is in January.

Marge Shelden, Library representative, provided a written and verbal update on the Library's activities. Once again Ganges led the way for circulation totals.

County Commissioner Dave Babbitt gave his final update as our commissioner since his term expires on 12/31/06. Dave served for 18 years and saw many changes. The Board hopes he enjoys his retirement from public service.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Board briefly reviewed a Port Sheldon Township Unimproved Public Right of Way ordinance and noted changes to be considered.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to accept the bid from Excell Concrete, Fennville, MI, dated 12/12/06, for a 3-sided step for the north entrance to the building, at a cost \$425.00. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to appoint Susan Pierson, 6944 Lakeshore Ct., to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the remaining term of Sally Howard, expiration date of 01/04/09. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Yonkers seconded, to re-appoint James Loew, 6434 122nd Ave, Judith Jensen, 1415 71st St, and Phil Badra, 2330 Lakeshore Dr., to the Board of Review, all with term expiration dates of 12/30/08. Motion carried.

Yonkers will contact Saugatuck Weekends regarding their inquiry to purchase the old town hall chairs since the Fire Department does not need them.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barry Gooding, 2235 66th St, asked if we could prohibit pets/animals at the 121st road end and asked Babbitt why motorcycles were not charged admission fees at Westside County Park last summer when cars were.

Theresa Wiley, 6633 121st Ave, stated she believes there's a statewide leash law, asked if a road end ordinance would cover 114th Ave also and asked if Ganges Twp. provided financial support for the Casco/Ganges agricultural tourism grant.

Looman moved, Hebert seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Ganges Township Clerk