

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. at the Ganges Township Hall, 1904 64th St. Board members present by roll call attendance: Looman, Hebert, Reimink, Hutchins, Yonkers.

Yonkers moved, Looman seconded, to accept the agenda dated 04/10/07 as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Robert Soltysiak, 6322 113 th Ave.	03/14/07	Disappointment with adopting of Master Plan
John L Geiger, Geiger Family Trust	03/22/07	Concerns with 119 th Ave. road construction problems

Public Comments - None

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 3/13/07 as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 3/31/07 as follows:

General Fund	\$472,245.51
Road Fund	267,081.17
Ambulance Fund	111,713.98
Fire Fund	263,282.56
First Responders	7,419.67
Building Admin.	40,878.05
 TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	 \$1,162,620.94

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

Reimink moved, Looman seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 04/10/07 as presented by the Clerk, from the following funds: General Fund - \$19,217.85; Fire Fund - \$16,188.14; First Responder Fund - \$4,542.40; Building Fund - \$1,733.73; Ambulance Fund - \$839.87. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fire Chief Doug Compton was absent. The Fire Department has received multiple requests for controlled burning of structures which could be used as training exercises. The township attorney has confirmed this is permissible but the Department requested further information on materials that may need to be removed prior to the fire training. The ISO retest is scheduled for 5/14 or 5/15.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, submitted a written report of 9 calls for March.

Dick Hutchins reported the Ambulance Board's next meeting is in June.

Al Ellingsen, Building Official, submitted a written report of 6 permits issued, 21 inspections and no land divisions.

Ken Sargent, Cemetery Sexton, was absent. Assistant Holton reported the utility poles at Taylor have been installed by Consumers Energy without any damages to the grounds.

Barry Gooding, Planning Commission Chair, reported a public hearing was held on 3/27/07 for the Dollybrook Farms PUD application and the ZBA had a hearing for a setback variance for a carport which was approved.

Jackie DeZwaan, Planning Commissioner, provided an update on a project she participated in for the Casco/Ganges agricultural gateway grant, which allowed her to complete the Master Citizen Planner requirements. Casco is applying for an additional grant to establish agricultural brand identification but no information was available regarding matching fund requirements if any. The Board took no action.

Terry Looman, Transfer Station representative, reported the Committee will meet next month.

Marge Shelden, Library representative, was absent. Mrs. Jessup, Casco library representative, provided an update of the Library's activities.

County Commissioner Tom Jessup was absent but Marilyn Jessup spoke on his behalf, providing the newest District 8 newsletter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Hebert moved, Looman seconded, to accept the proposal dated 3/16/07 from Jablonski & Sons, Inc, Wayland, for a second roadside mowing in Ganges Township for the amount of \$2,200.00. Motion carried.

Hutchins moved, Hebert seconded, to participate in the 2007 gravel program for up to 3 miles of roads for summer 2007. Motion carried. Reimink will follow up with the Road Commission for their suggested roads.

Yonkers moved, Reimink seconded, to apply for the Black River Watershed Grant program for planning assistance with the primary emphasis on the build out analysis. Motion carried.

Hebert announced the May Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 9th, due to the school election on Tuesday, May 8th.

The board tentatively scheduled the Pier Cove Beach Park meeting and budget review for 5/23 or 5/24 at 6:00 PM at Pier Cove.

The board is in agreement to continue with Sessions Lawn Care for mowing at the cemeteries and hall and to contract for a leaf cleanup at Loomis Cemetery. A 10% discount is available with a prepayment plan commitment which the township will participate in.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE

Looman moved, Reimink seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Yonkers, Ganges Township Clerk