

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2017**

FINAL

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: Reimink, Hutchins, Hebert, Puglise, Gooding.

Reimink moved, Puglise seconded, to approve the agenda dated April 11, 2017 as presented with the addition of Items 10.E – Library Report, 11.A - Purchase of bike rack, 12.A – Virtue Holding's request for event permit, and, 12.B - Letter from Blue Star Trail Organizers. Motion carried.

County Commissioner Jessop was not in attendance.

Correspondence -

Johanna Bystrom, Virtue Holdings	undated	Letter requesting permit
Jeanne Van Zoeren (Blue Star Trail)	4/4/2017	Email requesting support

Public Comments - None

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 03/14/2017 as presented, with corrections.. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 03/31/2017 as follows:

General Fund	\$267,528.32
Ambulance Fund	11,307.73
Fire Fund	187,734.70
First Responder's Checking	35,715.59
Road Fund	297,282.62
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 799,568.96

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

Hebert moved, Gooding seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 04/11/2017 as presented from the following funds: General Fund - \$18,018.91; First Responder Fund - \$7,283.82 and Fire Fund - \$986.42. --- Reimink moved, Hebert seconded to approve payment of a bill presented by Ray's Auto Service to Hebert in the amount of \$467.58, bringing the Fire Fund total to \$13,454.00. Motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORT

Dan Diaz, Assistant Fire Chief, reported 14 calls for the month. Diaz also reported on the progress at the live fire facility as well as the fundraiser hosted by What-Not Inn which raised \$6,000 to be used toward costs for the facility.

Ken Zecklin, Safety Official, submitted a written report of 16 runs for March. Zecklin also reported that there will be 2 classes for First Responders at a cost of \$662.00.

Gary Holton, Cemetery Sexton, reported 1 burial.

Barry Gooding reported the Planning Commission met on March 28, 2017, approving site plans presented by Glenn Vineyards and Bayberry Cottages. Gooding also reported the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on May 23.

Shirley Newman reported on an increase in book check-outs; Fennville Public Library's spring book sale, as well as various activities held in the Library.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Puglise presented costs of \$478.85 to purchase a bike rack for the road at Pier Cove. Hebert moved, Gooding seconded to approve the purchase. Motion carried. Puglise will order rack.

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded approval to write a letter of support to the organizers of the Blue Star Trail. Motion carried. Puglise will write letter of support.

NEW BUSINESS –

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded, to issue an event permit to Virtue Farms, with right to revoke if problems arise. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Diaz reported that there are smoke and carbon dioxide units available to anyone who needs either or both unit(s).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

Gooding moved, Hebert seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Puglise, Ganges Township Clerk