

VICTOR TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES- March 7, 2006 (Approved)

Call to Order and Pledge

The regular monthly business meeting of the Victor Township Board and the initial public hearing on the budget was held at the Township Hall, 6843 Alward Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848. Supervisor Warren Malkin called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge to the flag was given.

Roll Call of Members

Members present: Michelle Wilsey, Warren Malkin, Donald McDonald, Duane Ginther and Dan Morris. Members absent: None. Other governmental representatives in attendance: Claude Vail, Clinton County Commissioner and Clinton County Sheriff Deputy Alward. Kris Foight, Clinton County Conservation District arrived at 7:16 p.m. Thirteen (13) citizens present.

Public Comment

Wilsey reported that information and flyers for Clean Community events sponsored by the Clinton County Department of Waste Management were available for the audience. She also noted that volunteers were needed to assist with the events. To volunteer or for further information visit the website at www.clinton-county.org or call (989)224-5186.

Agenda

Ginther moved, second by Morris and motion carried to approve agenda with addition of MSU Prosperity Summit and Elections under new business.

Minutes and Treasurer Report

Minutes of the February 7, 2006 board meeting were approved with a spelling correction to the work call. The Treasurer's report was accepted subject to audit.

Approval of Bills

McDonald moved, second by Ginther and motion carried to pay submitted bills, check #s 9793-9807 in the amount of \$7,629.98.

Reports

Planning: The township planning commission met but lacked a quorum. The next meeting is March 22, 2006.

Fire/CAF&R: Next meeting is March 14, 2006, 5:00 p.m. Station #1.

Historical Society: Next meeting is March 8, 2006, 7:30 p.m., Victor Township Hall. Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month – public welcome.

LBA: Next meeting scheduled March 8, 2006, 8:00 A.M. at Jordano's Restaurant.

Laingsburg Area Recreation Committee: No report.

Clinton County Officials

Commissioner Vail reported that the County is refinancing bonds on the Courthouse resulting in more than \$1 million in savings. Clean Community events are scheduled April 29 and June 10. Appointments are required and charges apply for some items.

Deputy Sheriff Doug Alward was introduced. He will be liaison for Victor Township.

Kris Foight, Executive Director of Clinton Conservation District distributed order forms for the 2006 Spring Tree Sale Fundraiser. She provided a presentation on the objectives and services of the conservation district and asked for feedback on their Resource Assessment Survey. The new website is www.clintonconservation.org. She also invited everyone to attend the District Meeting, Monday, March 27 6:00 p.m. It features a presentation "Michigan is Cougar Country". For further info or to RSVP for the meeting call 989-224-3720 x. 3.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The meeting recessed at 7:25 p.m. for a final public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2006-2007. Supervisor Malkin presented the proposed budget for the township with revenues of \$522,516.00 and expense of \$516,216.00. Revenue adjustments included: (additions) \$10,000 fire run reimbursements, \$500 elections, \$1000 cemetery lot sales, \$500 cemetery administration, \$2500 interest on savings, \$500 increase to hall rental; (reductions) \$500 from foundation monuments/markers. Expense adjustments included: (increases) \$25 phone expense moved to treasurer expense, \$2,500 hall grounds, \$120 hall internet, \$2,100 grave opening/closings, \$300 Blood mowing, \$750 Stilson mowing, \$8930 capital outlay, move \$2,250 from Planning Committee to Planning Committee Expense; (decreases) \$200

cemetery foundation. The proposed budget as amended in the public hearing included total revenue of \$537,016 and expenses of \$537,016. There were no public comments on the proposed budget. The budget hearing closed at 7:44 p.m.

Clinton County Officials continued

Clinton County Road Commission – The 2006 annual township meeting with the Clinton County Road Commission is scheduled Thursday, March 23, 2006 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Items of Public Interest

Clinton Transit: Rose May Mason has been appointed Clinton Area Transit Service Director. She and a staff member will attend the township Board meeting on April 4, 2006. CATS service is available to township residents. For further information or to schedule a ride call (989)224-8127.

CMS Energy will be trimming trees over the pipeline south of Round Lake Road this spring.

Picnic pavilions should be available this spring.

Correspondences (received and placed on file)

Sheriff's report of Victor Township (January).

Sheriff's report of jail and County (January).

MSU Extension Newsletter (February).

Unfinished Business

Vision for the Township and Goals – Land use under review.

Funneling: County will consider as an amendment to the County Ordinance.

Alleyway Ordinance: Survey work is pending.

Cemeteries: Restoration work will resume in the spring.

Budget FY 2006-07: Motion offered by Wilsey, second by McDonald, to adopt a resolution setting the Assessor Salary for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 at \$17,532 plus 50% of land division fees collected. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Wilsey, Malkin, McDonald, Morris, Ginther. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Motion offered by Ginther, second by Morris, to adopt a resolution setting the Clerk Salary for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 at \$14,100. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Ginther, Morris, Wilsey, McDonald, Malkin. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Motion offered by McDonald, second by Ginther, to adopt a resolution setting the Supervisor Salary for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 at \$12,000. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Wilsey, McDonald, Ginther, Morris, Malkin. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Motion offered by Ginther, second by Morris, to adopt a resolution setting the Treasurer Salary for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 at \$13,680. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Malkin, Morris, Ginther, Wilsey, McDonald. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Motion offered by McDonald, second by Wilsey, to adopt a resolution setting the Trustee Salary for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 at \$1,200 each. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Ginther, Wilsey, McDonald, Morris, Malkin. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Motion offered by Ginther, second by Morris, to adopt a resolution to enact the Victor Township General Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, attached and included by reference as a part of the minutes. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: McDonald, Morris, Malkin, Ginther, Wilsey. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

New Business

Round Lake Assessment: Round Lake is proceeding with efforts to create a special assessment for weed control at Round Lake. The petition is in development.

Policy and Procedures for copying public records: To be discussed next meeting.

Roads: To be discussed next meeting.

New Business

PA 116 James Voisinet: Malkin moved, second by Wilsey, and motion carried to approve James and Kathleen Voisinet's request for PA 116 Farmland Agreement.

ZC-02-06 VR Atkinson: Variance request withdrawn.

ZC-03-06 VR Dennis: Ginther moved, second by McDonald, and motion carried to recommend approval of variance request.

MDM Request for assignment of franchise: Malkin to review with attorney.

MSU Prosperity Summit: Victor Township to send a team to the summit at MSU on March 27, 2006.

Election: Inspection of ballot containers scheduled. New tabulator equipment received and validated.

Extended Public Comment

Laingsburg Ambulance mutual aid is in place with Victor Township ambulance service providers

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Michelle Wilsey, Clerk