

VICTOR TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES- November 8, 2007 (Approved)

Call to Order and Pledge

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

Roll Call of Members

Members present: Warren Malkin, Michelle Wilsey, Donald McDonald and Dan Morris.

Members absent: Duane Ginther. Other governmental representatives in attendance: Clinton County Commissioner Terry Link. Eighteen (18) citizens present.

Public Comment

Dean Butler asked why the amount collected by the fire millage and the amount of township expenditures on fire differed in some years and what source of funding was used to pay the difference. Malkin explained that prior to the millage 100% of the funds were paid out of the general fund. Now the majority of costs are paid through the millage revenue and any additional costs are paid out of the general fund. Wilsey explained that the amounts noted by Mr. Butler included the capital costs of construction of the Lake Victoria Fire Station and the purchase of a fire truck. Malkin noted the improvements were made possible by the millage. Rick Koeppel asked if all of the missing trucks had been accounted for. Malkin noted that there were never missing trucks but the paper trail accounting for one of the trucks was incomplete. He was able to find the missing documentation and all trucks are accounted for. Rick asked if engines 3 & 4 were running. Malkin discussed the status of the vehicles. Questions were raised about the status of the dry hydrants. Malkin noted that two had been installed in Greenbush and installation in Lake Victoria and Parkers Pond in Victor was in progress. Mr. Vail asked about the need for the drought study. Malkin noted that the study was required for the grant.

Agenda

Morris moved, second by ~~Ginther~~ McDonald and motion carried to approve agenda as printed.

Minutes and Treasurer Report

Minutes of the October 2, 2007 regular board meeting were accepted with the correction of the location of the Fire meeting (St. Johns not Victor Twp.) and deleting the word concerns in the Historical Society report section. The Treasurer's report was accepted subject to audit.

Approval of Bills

McDonald moved, second by Malkin and motion carried to pay current bills in the amount of \$28734.11, check numbers 10181-10201.

Reports

Planning: No report due to Ginther's absence. Clinton County ~~is holding~~ held a public hearing on the revised comprehensive plan on Monday, November 6, 2007, 6-8 p.m., Clinton County Courthouse. Next meeting of the Township Planning Commission is Wednesday, November 28, 2007, 7p.m., Victor Township Hall.

Fire/CAF&R: Next meeting is November 13, 2007, 7 p.m., Station #3, Victor Township.

Historical Society: Next meeting is November 14, 2007, 7:30 p.m., Victor Township Hall.

Clinton County Economic Alliance: CCEA hired John Czarnecki as President/CEO. Next meeting November 13, 2007, 7:30 a.m., Clinton County RESA.

Clinton County Officials

County Commissioner Terry Link reported that the County adopted the budget for the coming fiscal year.

Juvenile justice and community mental health continue to pose financial challenges. The park plan may be funded, particularly with improved ADA designs. The CIS Rail Trail is moving forward. A public hearing on the Greenspace Committee Open Space, Parks and Recreation plan is scheduled November 27, 2007, 6-8 p.m., Clinton County Courthouse. Greenspace Commission meets the 1st Friday of each month. Greenhouse gas inventory was proceeding. First effort is to reduce impact. Funds would be sought to pursue development.

Mel Mesa asked about the status of the Jason Road drain. Wilsey noted that a private option was in discussion.

Items of Public Interest

A copy of the Upper Looking Glass River Watershed Management Plan was received on disk. It is available for interested persons. Commissioner Link asked if it could be posted to the web site. Wilsey will look into that.

Correspondences (received and placed on file)

Sheriff's report of Victor Township (September).

Sheriff's report of jail and county (September)

Judicial Investiture of the Honorable Michelle M. Rick scheduled November 9, 2007, 4p.m., Uncle John's Cider Mill.

MDEQ permit approval to lower Lake Victoria.

Professional Lake Management - Round Lake.

Unfinished Business

Township Policies and Procedures Review /Update – Pending MTA rewrite of model policies and procedures.

Replacement of front doors – HAVA grant submitted. Awaiting decision.

Parks and Recreation – Awaiting info on County recreation plan update.

New Business

Extended Public Comment

Malkin asked the board for ideas and or opinions on parcel sections that needed corrections.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Michelle Wilsey, Clerk