VICTOR TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES- February 5, 2008 (Tentative)

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, Dan Morris.

Members absent: Duane Ginther. Other governmental representatives in attendance: The Honorable Michelle Rick, Circuit Court Judge. Nine (9) citizens present.

Public Comment

Judge Rick introduced herself and explained the general area that she covers in her work with the Court. Contact information was provided and she welcomed inquiries and contacts.

Adam Casey, Bath Charter Township Trustee commented on Bath's vote to support the Clinton County Economic Alliance and expressed his opposition. He also noted that he intended to run for Clinton County Commission for District 7 (Victor Twp and part of Bath Twp).

Agenda

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

Minutes and Treasurer Report

Minutes of the January 2, 2008 regular meeting were approved as printed. The treasurer's report was accepted subject to audit and placed on file.

Approval of Bills

McDonald moved, second by Wilsey and motion carried to pay current bills in the amount of \$20,060.32, check numbers 10230-10255.

Reports

Planning: No report. Next scheduled meeting is February 23, 2008, 7p.m., Victor Township Hall. Fire/CAF&R: Malkin noted that the FEMA Fire Prevention Training Grant was not yet approved as he reported last month. It is still pending. The proposed FY 08-09 CAF&R Budget was discussed. The total proposed operating budget is \$297,718. The capital budget (debt payments for purchase of buildings, equipment, etc.) is \$176,808. Victor Township's share (determined by a formula based on SEV, population, and runs) is 36.66% or \$109,143.42 for operating, \$49,565.11 for shared capital and equipment, and \$41,606.74 for Victor's pumper truck. Major expense increases in the proposed budget were maintenance (vehicle, equipment, radios), community education, firefighter training, personal protective equipment, certification fees. Virtually all other expense areas remained flat or declined. Resolution by McDonald, second by Malkin to approve the proposed CAF&R budget and corresponding Victor Township CAF&R budget expense for FY 08-09 in the total amount of \$200,315.27, subject to approval by the other members of the joint authority. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: McDonald, Wilsey, Malkin, Morris. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: Ginther. The motion carried and resolution adopted. The next meeting is February 12, 2008, 7 p.m., Station #1, St. Johns.

Historical Society: Ilene Nowlin is investigating donor plaques for the desks in the Denison Schoolhouse. Options will be discussed at the next meeting scheduled February 13, 2008, 7:30 p.m., Victor Township Hall. Clinton County Economic Alliance: Wilsey discussed opportunity for nominations to the leadership team. CCEA Open House is scheduled February 19, 2008 from 4-6 p.m.

Clinton County Officials

County Commissioner Terry Link was not in attendance. Malkin read a brief report submitted via email. County Sheriff Deputy Alward was not in attendance.

Items of Public Interest

DNR Land Consolidation meeting is scheduled February 6, 2008, 6:00 p.m., Clinton County Courthouse. CCEA Open House (discussed above).

Correspondences (received and placed on file)

Sheriff's report of Victor Township (December).

Sheriff's report of jail and county (December).

Fax letter from Pete Preston regarding rezoning of Country Farm Estates.

Letter from Michigan State Police (Dan Smith) in regard to change in command area.

Unfinished Business

Township Policies and Procedures Review /Update – Pending MTA rewrite of model policies and procedures. Malkin noted that existing policies and procedures should be followed until changes made.

Replacement of front doors – Awaiting grant decision.

Parks and Recreation – No report.

FY 08-09 Budget – A proposed township budget for FY 08-09 was presented and discussed. McDonald moved, second by Malkin and motion carried to hold a special meeting and public hearing on the budget on Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 7:00 p.m. at the Victor Township Hall.

New Business

Poverty Exemption – Malkin moved, second by McDonald and motion carried to adopt the Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test for 2008.

Salary Resolutions FY 08-09 - (Trustee) Motion offered by McDonald, second by Morris, to adopt a resolution setting the Trustee Salary for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 at \$1,356 each plus additional meeting compensation of \$45 per meeting (less than 6 consecutive hours) and \$55 per all day meeting (6 consecutive hours or more) for participation in meetings as outlined in the board approved trustee meeting policy. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Wilsey, McDonald, Morris, Malkin. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: None. Ginther. Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

(Assessor) Motion offered by Ginther, second by Morris, to adopt a resolution setting the Assessor Salary for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 at \$20,280 plus 50% of land division fees collected. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Wilsey, Malkin, McDonald, Morris. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: Ginther. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

(Clerk) Motion offered by McDonald, second by Malkin, to adopt a resolution setting the Clerk Salary for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 at \$14,964 plus \$250 additional compensation per regular or special election.. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Morris, Wilsey, McDonald, Malkin. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: Ginther. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted. (Treasurer) Motion offered by Wilsey, second by Malkin, to adopt a resolution setting the Treasurer Salary for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 at \$14,484. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Malkin, Morris, Wilsey, McDonald. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: Ginther. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

(Supervisor) Motion offered by Wilsey, second by McDonald, to adopt a resolution setting the Supervisor Salary for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 at \$14,484. Upon a roll call vote the following voted yes: Wilsey, McDonald, Morris, Malkin. The following voted no: None. The following were absent: Ginther. The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Extended Public Comment

Malkin noted that assessment notices would be processed and mailed on February 14, 2008.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Michelle Wilsey, Clerk