TOWNSHIP OF VICTOR Clinton County, Michigan 6843 Alward Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848 VICTOR TOWNSHIP BOARD February 5, 2013 REGULAR MEETING

Minutes-Approved at the March 5,2013 Meeting

The regular meeting of the Victor Township Board was called to order by Township Supervisor Pete Preston at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Preston, Malkin, Willoughby, McDonald & Wall (via telephone) Members absent: None

Public Comment - None

Moved by Wall seconded by McDonald, to accept the agenda with the following changes: move discussion of Ovid Elsie millage renewal and the public hearing up on the Agenda to follow Reports. Add Resolution to change BOR date to the Agenda under new business. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Malkin, seconded by McDonald to accept the minutes of January 2, 2013 – regular meeting and January 17, 2013 – special budget workshop, and place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by McDonald and supported by Malkin to accept the Treasurer's report and place on file, subject to audit. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Malkin, to pay the payroll in the amount of \$6,337.09 with check numbers, 11360-11368. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Willoughby to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$46,805.20 with check numbers, 11462, 11485-11500, & 25000-25013. All in favor, motion carried.

Meetings: Planning February 18, 2013, 7 p.m. Township Hall, CAFR February 12, 2013, 7 p.m. Station #1. There are 9 volt batteries available at the Hall to available for pick up while supplies last.

Superintendent of Ovid-Elsie Schools, Ryan Cunningham was present to inform the public about the upcoming Operating Millage Renewal and its importance to the future funding of education. This renewal is not unique to just Ovid-Elsie and other school districts across the State have to renew their operating millages from time to time as well. It is NOT a new millage and is only for day-to-day operating expenses. The operating millage only effects non-homestead properties (industrial, commercial, and rental properties) and does NOT increase taxes on individual resident homeowners or farms. If the operating millage is not renewed, funding of many of the districts programs for students

could be cut. The election will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2013. If you are interested in more information visit <u>www.ovidelsie.org</u> or call the O-E district . Supervisor Preston thanked Mr. Cunningham for reaching out to the Township even though very few properties in the Township are in the O-E district.

Moved by Malkin, seconded by McDonald to open the public hearing on the Victor Township 2013-2014 Budget. All in favor motion carried. Public Hearing opened at 7:15 p.m.

Supervisor Preston gave a synopsis of the 2013-2014 budget for public hearing. The proposed budget is similar to last years' budget except that the single general fund has been divided into 5 different funds to increase transparency. Township Revenue in the General Fund will be approximately \$427,723 of which \$10,225 will be transferred to Cemetery Operations Fund and \$130,000 will be transferred to the Road Fund. It is expected to cost approximately \$15,000 to operate the Cemeteries. The Road Millage will raise \$170,000 with an additional \$130,000 to be transfered from General Fund. With the \$20,000 from the Clinton County Road Commission, the Township is proposing to spend approximately \$320,000 on road projects. The Fire Millage will raise \$170,000 and will be used to cover expenses associated with operating the Fire Service. The current Deputy Clerk will begin working as the Township's Administrative assistant, assisting the public on a regular basis with posted office hours. The Township Board's salaries were set at the same rates as last year.

Supervisor Preston offered the public an opportunity to be heard and the discussion was as follows: Residents present were interested in the future road projects and how they would be determined. The Township plans to utilize the Township Planning Commission to review road ratings, traffic counts and available funding to create a capital improvement plan that will at the minimum cover the term of the road millage. There were some comments regarding the amount of funds spent on the Library and the Park and recreation activities.

Based on the public comment and other discussion, Supervisor Preston laid out his intent to revise the budget prior to the March meeting when the Board is anticipated to act on adoption of the budget.

Moved by Malkin, seconded by McDonald to close the public hearing on the Victor Township 2013-2014 Budget. All in favor, motion carried. Public Hearing closed at 8:12 p.m.

County Officials:

Adam Stacey – County Commissioner – Present and gave a brief update on County business James Chrenka Deputy Sheriff – not present

Unfinished Business:

Committee/Board Appointments, Moved by McDonald, Seconded by Malkin to appoint the following to the Victor Township Board of Review to serve for a two year term ending December 31, 2014: George Hazel, Leo Cook, Donald Arthur and Carl Hill – Alternate. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Malkin, Seconded by Wall to waive the fire run fee for Austin Valasek. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

Township Officer Salary resolutions (Complete resolutions attached to the minutes)

Moved by Malkin, Seconded by McDonald to approve the salary resolution for the Victor Township Supervisor. Roll call vote, all yes, motion carried.

Moved by Malkin, Seconded by McDonald to approve the salary resolution for the Victor Township Clerk. Roll call vote, all yes, motion carried.

Moved by Wall, Seconded by Malkin to approve the salary resolution for the Victor Township Treasurer. Roll call vote, all yes, motion carried.

Moved by McDonald, Seconded by Wall to approve the salary resolution for the Victor Township Trustees. Roll call vote, all yes, motion carried.

Moved by Malkin, Seconded by Willoughby to approve the salary resolution for the Victor Township Assessor. Roll call vote, all yes, motion carried.

Moved by Malkin, seconded by Wall to set the Mileage rate for Victor Township to the rate set by the IRS, which is currently 56.5 cents per mile.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Preston to set the fee for hall use for educational purposes to teach CCW Classes being held on Sunday's at \$50 per rental, and authorize McDonald to work with the Clerk's staff on any necessary changes to our rental policies, any further changes will be brought back to the board for approval. Motion carried with Malkin opposed.

Extended Public Comment - None

Moved by Preston, supported by Wall to approve the resolution to change the date of the Board of Review. All in favor, motion carried. (complete resolution attached to minutes)

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Victor T ownship Paula Willoughby, Clerk 6843 E. Alward Road Laingsburg, MI 48848