

Schoolcraft Township Board
June 11, 2013
Schoolcraft Township Hall

Supervisor Ulsh opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Supervisor Don Ulsh, Clerk Virginia Mongreig, Treasurer Teresa Scott, Trustee Hovenkamp and Trustee Feldmeier
Citizens present: Mindy Reno and Eric Jasiak

Motion by Scott with support by Feldmeier to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Feldmeier with support by Scott to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2013 meeting as presented.
Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Scott with support by Feldmeier to approve the List of Bills as presented.
Motion carried 5-0

Treasurer Scott Reported:

Interest Income for May 2013	\$ 138.19
Income for May 2013	\$ 100,304.45
Expenditures for May 2013	\$ 81,060.81
Total Cash	\$ 461,432.46

Motion by Feldmeier with support by Mongreig to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.
Motion carried 5-0

Attorney Rolfe presented the J. Rettenmaier USA LP Industrial Facility Exemption Certificate Application dated May 30, 2013 reflecting a total cost of \$2,820,000.00.

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Mongreig to open the Public Hearing on the application.
Motion carried 5-0

With no questions on the application Scott made motion to close the Public Hearing with second by Hovenkamp.
Motion carried 5-0

Patrick Fillar, CPA and Financial Manager with J. Rettenmaier USA LP stated that the company is in need of additional office space and will also be adding space for research and development.

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Feldmeier to adopt J. Rettenmaier USA LP Industrial Facility Exemption Certificate Application dated May 30, 2013.
Roll Call Vote: Feldmeier – y, Hovenkamp – y, Mongreig – y, Scott – y, and Ulsh –y,
Motion carried 5-0

Attorney Rolfe discussed correspondence over differences with the Michigan Department of Treasury regarding the legal sufficiency of the April 9, 2013 Schoolcraft Township Board Resolution Approving Request for Extension Time for Competition of Project Pertaining to J. Rettenmaier, USA, LP Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (IFT #2012-20).

Attorney Rolfe suggested J. Rettenmaier advocate for their position through Mr. Fillar who will correspond with the Michigan Department of Treasury and let the Township know the outcome of his conversations.

Attorney Rolfe reviewed with the Township Board significant differences in the Proposed Ordinance No. 257, Zoning Ordinance text amendments as presented for approval by the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission.

Motion by Mongreig with second by Feldmeier to approve Proposed Ordinance No. 257 in it's formal presentation format.

Roll Call Vote: Feldmeier – y, Hovenkamp – y, Mongreig – y, Scott – y, and Ulsh –y,

Motion carried 5-0

Attorney Rolfe is working with Consumers Power Company on the required franchise agreement with Schoolcraft Township which lapsed in 2012 to reach a proposed franchise agreement between Township and Consumers Power Company. The agreement for Consumers Power Company is expected to be presented to the board at the July 9, 2013 regular meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Board.

Attorney Rolfe informed the board that the Jeffery and Kelly Blodgett home at 2259 East W Avenue has been has tagged as a Dangerous Building under Schoolcraft Townships Dangerous Building Ordinance #233, Section, -2 by Michigan Township Services. Schoolcraft Township Enforcement Officer Tina Straw will serve notice to the owners.

Motion by Mongreig with second by Feldmeier to adopt the Principles of Governance as the official policy of Schoolcraft Township, pledging to maintain the highest standards and traditions of Michigan townships.

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Hovenkamp to approve the Planning Commission re-appointments by Supervisor Ulsh of Lenny Jaworski and David Reno

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Feldmeier to approve Zoning Board of Appeals reappointments by Supervisor Ulsh of Terry Blodgett, Ray Hovevar, and Gary Steensma.

Motion carried 5-0

Review IFEC Application Fee- The Board reviewed existing application fees; will be eliminating Planned Unit Development fee to reflect the elimination of Planned Unit Developments in the current Master Plan/ Ordinance No. 257 Zoning Text Amendments.

The Township will implement a \$100.00 Administrator Site Plan Review fee.

Supervisor Ulsh provided the board with a map of parcels owned by the Mill of South County that have been offered to the township for purchase. Supervisor Ulsh suggested the board members look at the property prior to the July meeting for discussion.

Road Committee Chair Scott reported the following Kalamazoo County Road Commission progress:
Chip seal 14th, YZ Avenue to XY Avenue
Chip seal Oakland Drive, U Avenue to Portage City Limits
Crack seal, Chip seal, 14th Street, Lyons to U Avenue
Crack seal, Chip seal U Avenue - Portage Road to 200"

Chair Scott will contact Jim Beaudoin about the product being used for chip seal as it appears to be regular gravel. She will also mention reports of potholes from constituents.

Siegfried Crandall installation of new server is complete. The township budgeted \$21,000.00 for in capital outlay for the purchase and installation of the server, leaving approximately \$9,000.00 in the account.

Treasurers Scott's computer is over three years old and Siegfried Crandall technician and BS&A Software Company advise that the treasurer get a new one. IT says treasurer should have new computer each year per the programs that are used.

Motion by Mongreig with second by Hovenkamp to purchase a new computer for the Treasurer.

Motion carried 5-0

Trustee Hovenkamp asked about progress on the bike trail; Trustee Feldmeier stated that he was not able to attend last meeting, but hopes to make the June 12, 2013 meeting.

Trustee Feldmeier inquired as to why the edges of 16th Street are breaking off.

Clerk Mongreig reported that the Memorial Day Memorial at the Vicksburg Cemetery went well.

Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk
Township of Schoolcraft