

Schoolcraft Township Board
June 14, 2011
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

Motion by Hovenkamp with support by Scott to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Scott with support by Hovenkamp to approve the May 10, 2011 meeting minutes 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 2011	\$ 166.39
Income for May 2011	\$ 83,745.44
Expenditures for May 2011	\$ 8,345.44
Total Cash	\$334,458.78

Motion by Mongreig with support by Feldmeier to approve the Treasurer's Report with the correction to May 2011 Income.

Motion carried 5-0

Citizens Time: None

Attorney's Time:

a.) Lakeview Plat "Outlot A" Sales Approval/Resolution:

Parcel #3914-27-270-420 is a narrow strip of land adjacent to a portion of Lot 1 of the Lakeview Plat at Barton Lake, foreclosed for unpaid property taxes and transferred to Schoolcraft Township by Kalamazoo County. The property has been purchased by Rene and Ilene Bernier for \$315.00.

Motion by Feldmeier with support by Scott to adopt the Township Board Resolution Approving Conveyance of Property Not Needed for Public Purposes (Outlot A of Lakeview Plat) and direct Attorney Rolfe to execute the Quit Claim Deed to the new owners, Rene F. and Ilene H. Brenier.

Roll Call Vote: Hovenkamp-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Mongreig-yes, Scott-yes and Ulsh-yes

Motion carried

b.) Public Hearing- Amendment to 2010-161 IFEC-J. Rettenmaier USA LP

Motion by Mongreig with support by Scott to open the Public Hearing

Motion carried 5-0

Gerhard Goss, Director, Administration and Controlling and Patrick Filler, Financial Manager of J. Rettenmaier USA LP were present to discuss the Amendment of 2010 IFT and new 2011 IFT applications. Mr. Goss expressed appreciation to the township for their working relationship over the years. He also stated that business is stable and growing despite the increased cost of raw materials, some by three times, and an energy cost increase of over 20%. In order to maintain the quality and integrity of their product silo space and a 60,000 foot warehouse will be erected. Safety precautions are scheduled to be updated.

Motion by Mongreig with support by Feldmeier to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried 5-0

Motion by Mongreig with support by Scott to adopt the Resolution Pertaining To 5/31/11 Application of J. Rettenmaier USA LP for Amendment of Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #2010-161

Roll Call Vote: Hovenkamp-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Mongreig-yes, Scott-yes and Ulsh-yes

Motion carried

2011 IFEC Application J. Rettenmaier USA LP

Motion by Scott with support by Mongreig to adopt the Resolution Pertaining To 5/31/11 Application Of J. Rettenmaier USA LP For New Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate.

Roll Call Vote: Hovenkamp-yes, Feldmeier-yes, Mongreig-yes, Scott-yes and Ulsh-yes

Motion carried

d.) Pending proposed amendments to Land Division Ordinance RE: New AG Zoning

Attorney Rolfe discussed Zoning and Land Division Ordinance proposed amendments. P.C. will bring a proposed amendment to both the Land Division Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance to the board in August.

New Business

a.) Planning Commission Member

Supervisor recommended David Aubry as newest P.C. Member for a three-year term effective June 15, 2011.

Motion by Ulsh with support by Mongreig to approve the recommendation.

Motion carried 5-0

b.) Approve Planning Commission Member Reappointments

Motion by Ulsh with support by Scott to approve the reappointments of Ron Avis and Chuck Bibart for three-year terms effective June 1, 2011.

Motion carried 5-0

c.) Approve wage increase

Motion by Mongreig with support by Feldmeier to increase Katrina Laporte's wage to \$8.00 per hour beginning June 15, 2011.

Motion carried 5-0

d.) Carpet Cleaning Bids:

Motion by Mongreig with support by Hovenkamp to accept the ServiceMaster bid of \$430.00 for carpet cleaning of the Township Hall.

Motion carried 5-0

Unfinished Business

Library recommendation/appointment

Motion by Ulsh with support by Hovenkamp to appoint Jim Hillenbrand to the Vicksburg District Library Board.

Motion carried 5-0

Assessors Report – Reviewed

Planning Commission Report: Hovenkamp reported that the commission worked on a site plan for Cole-Krum.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report: None

Township Park Committee Report

The park has been very busy with Little League Tournaments.

Concessions receipts to be reported at the end of season.

Rocket Football still in discussions of whether to come to Swan Park and a fee structure will be discussed upon their decision.

Members Time

Trustee Feldmeier and Supervisor Ulsh will be meeting with Supervisor Dave Healy of Texas Township to gain insight on the process of obtaining road funding.

Clerk Mongreig: The well has been completed at the Schoolcraft Cemetery.

Treasurer Scott reported that the annual audit has been completed, summer tax bills going out soon.

Motion by Scott with support by Hovenkamp Teresa to purchase "Millage" on demand video @\$75.00.

Motion carried 5-0

Scott also encouraged the board members to visit the Norton Shores.org web site, Street Proposal

Trustee Hovenkamp: Inquired as to an ordinance covering the conditions at Modern Marine. Clerk Mongreig will submit a complaint to Officer Roberts.

Trustee Hovenkamp asked about a date for grant application request, and he also attended a Medical Marijuana meeting at Antwerp Township.

Supervisor Ulsh commended Officer Roberts on his professionalism with an irate homeowner regarding an ordinance enforcement issue.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.


Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk
Township of Schoolcraft