

SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

October 14, 2014

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Hovenkamp, Feldmeier, Mongreig, Scott and Ulsh.

Approval of agenda. Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Scott to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of minutes. Motion by Scott with second by Hovenkamp to approve the minutes of September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Approve payment of bills. Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier to approve the list of bills for payment. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Scott reported the following for the month of September:

Interest Income	\$ 40.45
Income	\$ 102,761.32
Expenditures	\$ 86,426.46
General Fund Balance	\$ 277,192.06
August 2014 Balance	\$ 260,816.75

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Mongreig to approve the Treasurer's report. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Gourdneck Lake Board Discussion: The consensus of the Schoolcraft Township Board is that the township as a whole will not be involved with the Gourdneck Lake Weed Treatment, and that the residents of the lake may form a board which will include representatives from Kalamazoo County departments, City of Portage representative and Schoolcraft Township representative.

Clerk Mongreig informed the Township Board and the Township's Attorney that she had indeed executed the "Certification of Schoolcraft Township Clerk Regarding Adequacy Of Petitions For Submittal Of Ordinance NO. 264 To Electors For Approval Or Rejection."

This action stems from the circulation of petitions for referendum by Mr. Cary Campagna of Command Electronics of Schoolcraft who along with other owners of Command Electronics opposed Schoolcraft Township Ordinance NO. 264 adopted at the August 12, 2014 regular meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Board.

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Mongreig to adopt Resolution of Township Board to Submit Ordinance No.264 to the Electors for Their Approval or Rejection at the Next Regular Election in Schoolcraft Township.

Roll call vote: Feldmeier – y, Hovenkamp – y, Mongreig – y, Scott – y, and Ulsh – y.

Motion carried 5-0

At a previous meeting of the Schoolcraft Township Board Mr. Campagna stated that Meijer and the Tractor Supply Company, both on Shaver Road had to evacuate their buildings due to gas leaks from the Farrell Gas propane company near them. Trustee Feldmeier and Supervisor Ulsh have contacted both companies and the City of Portage and have been told that there have been no complaints reported.

Ordinance No. 265: Motion by Scott with second by Mongreig to approve Schoolcraft Township Plat and Condominium Subdivision Development Ordinance.

Roll call vote: Feldmeier – y, Hovenkamp – y, Mongreig – y, Scott – y, and Ulsh – y.

Motion carried 5-0

Comcast Franchise Agreement:

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Feldmeier to open the Public Hearing.

Kyle V. Mazurek, Manager of External Affairs at Comcast Cable introduced himself as the new contact for Schoolcraft Township.

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Feldmeier to close the Public Hearing.

The Comcast Franchise Agreement has been tabled to the Monday, November 10, 2014 meeting at which time Mr. Mazurek will furnish a fully executed agreement dated 2014.

Danna Downing of South County Community Services brought the board up to date on the 2014 Budget, marketing and volunteers, donations and grants, and the relocation to 105 South Kalamazoo Avenue in Vicksburg.

The Schoolcraft Township Board set Monday, November 10, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. for the 2015-2016 Budget Workshop.

Compliance Officer, Tina Straw provided information on various dangerous buildings in the township that she has noticed.

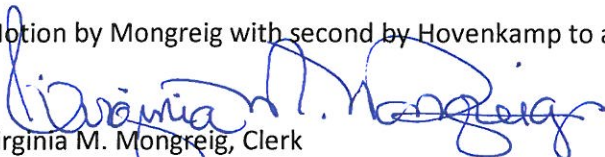
Swan Park: Ryan LaPorte reported on current projects.

Road Chair Scott reported that of the budgeted \$138,000.00, \$122, 307.30 was spent on road repairs in Schoolcraft Township in the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

Clerk Mongreig reported on the painting of the roof of the Sexton's Building in the Vicksburg Cemetery, High Absent Voter Ballot requests for the November 4, 2014 General Election, and the annual leaf drop will begin October 15, 2014.

Trustee Hovenkamp reported that the Barton Lake Association will hold a meeting regarding the weed harvesting, and that the board is in need of new members.

Motion by Mongreig with second by Hovenkamp to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.



Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk
Township of Schoolcraft