

**Schoolcraft Township Board**  
**July 13, 2010**  
**Schoolcraft Township Hall**

**1. Call to Order 7:00 p.m.**

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.) Roll Call:**

**Members Present:** Supervisor Ulsh, Treasurer Scott, Trustee Feldmeier and Trustee Hovenkamp

**Members Not Present:** Clerk Mongreig

**4.) Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Hovenkamp with support by Feldmeier to approve the agenda as presented

**Motion Carried 4-0**

**5.) Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Feldmeier with support by Ulsh to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 8, 2010.

**Motion Carried 4-0**

**6.) Approval of List of Bills:** Motion by Scott with support by Hovenkamp to approve the list of bills as presented.

**Motion Carried 4-0**

**7.) Approval of Treasurers Report:**

Interest Income for June 2010	\$	128.98
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Income for June 2010	\$	11,900.89
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Expenditures for June 2010	\$	88,446.08
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Total Cash	\$	397,909.49
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Motion by Feldmeier with support by Hovenkamp to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

**Motion Carried 4-0**

**8.) Citizens Time for Non-Agenda Items:**

Lieutenant Gail F. Sampsell from the Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department submitted the April 1-June 30, 2010 Dispatch Report. The four areas with the most activity are Virginia Downs, Watersedge, the Portage Terrace Trailer Park and Gourdneck Lake area. The trend is showing the most criminal activity is happening on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Supervisor Ulsh spoke of an incident on Oakland drive near his house; kids were walking along the road acting suspicious when the kids were approached by the sheriff's office they took off running. This area is still a low crime area. Six incidents in the Township may seem like a lot but it really is not.

**9.) Attorneys Time:**

The public hearing opened at 7:14 p.m.

J. Rettenmaier, USA LP applied for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate.

Attorney Craig Rolfe introduced the company J. Rettenmaier, USA LP remarking that the company is thriving in a bad economy and plans to spend \$244,434.00 in building improvement, 2.6 million in equipment upgrades with a grand total of \$2,875,664.00 in improvements and upgrades over the next year. Gerhard Goss Director of Administration and Controlling of J. Rettenmaier, USA LP addressed the board concerning the IFEC request. All questions asked by the board were answered and no public comment was made.

Motion by Scott with support by Hovenkamp to approve the request for the July 2010 Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate 12 years on Real Property and 6 years on Personal Property.

Roll Call Vote: Feldmeier-Yes, Hovenkamp-Yes, Scott-Yes, Ulsh-Yes

Motion Carried 4-0

The public hearing ended at 7:32 p.m.

**10.) New Business-None**

**11.) Unfinished Business:** None

**12.) Citizens Time for Non-Agenda Items:** None

**1.) Assessors Report:** Received

**14.) Planning Commission Report:** Trustee Hovenkamp reported that the Planning Commission did not meet on July 12, 2010.

**15.) Zoning Board of Appeals Report:** Board discussed that the ZBA met to review the variance application for the pole building in the Township Park.

**16.) Township Park Committee Report:** None

**17.) Members Time:**

Trustee Feldmeier: Noticed the road work has started on 14<sup>th</sup> street.

Supervisor Ulsh added that the road work on 23<sup>rd</sup> street was finished and the Road Commission was able to go further on the road then they had expected.

Treasurer Scott: Tax bills have been sent out and we are collecting taxes.

Trustee Hovenkamp: None

Supervisor Ulsh: Discussed Attorney Rolfe's letter concerning medical marihuana. Supervisor Ulsh proposed Attorney Rolfe do some research on how medical marijuana will affect the Township. Attorney Rolfe wants to approach this topic purely from a zoning stand point.

Jase Bolger was able to amend the State Statute concerning noxious weeds. This new statute removes the population constraint of 5000 residents.

The new Ordinance Enforcement Officer is very active. Supervisor Ulsh explained that Officer Roberts drives around the Township looking for ordinance violations, he finds an ordinance violation, knocks on the door, explains the violation if someone is home and/or leaves a notice of violation.

The Parks and Trails Foundation have contacted Supervisor Ulsh about meeting with the SCIC committee at their next meeting.

Adjournment: Motion by Scott with support by Feldmeier to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

  
Shelby Moss, Deputy Clerk