

Pleasanton Township Board Meeting December 13, 2010

The regular monthly board meeting of the Pleasanton Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Merrill, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Members present were Supervisor Tony Merrill, Clerk Amy Cross, Treasurer Judy Girven and Trustees Bob Babcock and Dave Ertel.

No guests were present at beginning of meeting; no public comment.

Motion by Ertel, support by Girven to approve the 11/8/10 regular minutes, aif motion carried. Manistee County *does not* have a clerk's accounting system as discussed last month.

The treasurers report was reviewed by the board and received by the Supervisor.

Discussion took place regarding compensating or not board members who recently showed up for a Planning Meeting, which in turn was canceled due to no quorum. Cross will check with MTA on this issue and adjust pay as necessary noting: Babcock has been paid for the canceled meeting; Kidd's check will be held until matter resolved; Rollenhagen was not paid and check was issued only for monthly zoning administrator duties. Babcock motioned to pay the monthly bills, Ertel support; motion carried.

Under New Business the board discussed the resolution for federal poverty guidelines for exemption from property tax contributions. Motion by Merrill, support by Babcock, to adopt this resolution for another year, roll call vote: Ertel aye, Babcock aye, Merrill aye, Cross aye and Girven aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ertel, support by Girven, to adopt a resolution for our Township Assessor, Carol Merrill, stating she has no set office hours but she is available by appointment via telephone call. Roll call vote: Babcock aye, Merrill aye, Cross aye, Girven aye and Ertel aye; motion carried.

Motion light at back of townhall needs looked at to see if working properly. It seems to be staying on more than needed. Cross motioned, with Girven support, to have Chip Cross look at this with a limit of \$100 for a different light, if needed: aif; motion carried.

Manistee County Road Commission sent us a letter regarding attending our February meeting and this will be discussed at our next meeting.

An email from Rochelle Rollenhagen to Tony Merrill was received by the Board. This email discusses the idea of creating a six-month to one-year moratorium on commercial wind development in our township. The moratorium is needed for further research for the Planning Commission to effectively write this wind farm ordinance. Motion by Ertel, support by Merrill, that this board enact a (1) one-year moratorium on development, land use permits, and construction for any commercial wind energy systems in Pleasanton Township. Roll call vote occurred: Merrill aye, Cross aye, Girven aye, Ertel aye, Babcock abstained. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence Manistee Conservation District letter with hazardous waste collection results from September and Manistee County Community Foundation/Cemetery Fund.

Unfinished Business: Fire restitution payment that went through the County Prosecutor, received from the individual responsible for the fire South of Norconk Rd. which occurred two years back, went to Bear Lake Fire Dept. Babcock thinks the money should of come to us. He was going to check with B.L.F.D.

Snowplowing bid was received from Allen's Land & Lake Maintenance. The three-year bid would be \$25.00 per hour/plowing of hall and \$50.00 per hour/plowing dump location. Merrill motioned with Ertel support to accept this three-year snowplowing proposal; all in favor; motion carried.

Other Business: Planning Commission procedures for minutes was discussed and a policy regarding such needs to be put into the township policy book. Merrill will talk with Stafford regarding past meeting minutes. Merrill adjusted Bob Peterson's recent Planning Commission appointment to one year, for staggering appointment purpose, December 20, 2010 to December 20, 2011: Merrill, Cross, Ertel and Girven: ayes; Babcock nay. Motion carried.

Board of Review training is being held the first part of next year. Motion by Ertel, support by Cross, to send Tim Babcock to the advanced training w/o "guide", and Chip Cross and Chad Buckner to the basic training and each will receive a Basic Guide, early bird pricing for all; all in favor; motion carried.

The board discussed the township website and putting on it the assessor's resolution information as stated above.

Parks report given by Dave Ertel. No report given for Planning or Lake Improvement Board (LIB). Bryan Harris of LIB was absent, but it was reported that there haven't been any recent meetings.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Monday, January 10th at 7pm at the Pleasanton Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Cross, Clerk