

**PLEASANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
MANISTEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
Monday, May 13, 2013**

APPROVED MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of the Pleasanton Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Members present: Supervisor Carol Merrill, Clerk Amy Cross, Treasurer Judy Girven, and Trustee Dave Ertel. Absent: Trustee Rochelle Rollenhagen.

Public comment opened; closed.

Guest: Don Raiff gave handouts and explained local efforts by Bear Lake Property Owners Association, with assistance from Tom Reichard of the Health Department, to test Bear Lake beach areas for e. coli, obtaining 24 hour results. Any positive test results would be posted at beach areas. Motion by Girven, supported by Cross, to support BLPA for water testing, with Supervisor Merrill receiving these test results via email; AIF; Motion carried.

Motion by Ertel, supported by Cross, to approve the 4/08/13 regular minutes and 4/08/13 closed session minutes; AIF; Motion carried. Motion by Merrill, supported by Cross, to approve the 4/08/13 cemetery meeting minutes; AIF; Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed by the Board and received by the Supervisor.

Motion by Merrill, supported by Cross, to pay the monthly bills as presented on the check register, adding Young, Graham, et al \$203.00; AIF; Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE LIB Tribunal, James Koning letter, Cemetery Fund statement, Bear Lake Fire Department run sheet, Seventh Day Adventist letter.

NEW BUSINESS None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS The original agreement we have on file with Superior Energy was signed in 1998 for thirty (30) years. Merrill discussed the most recent franchise agreement received from SEC, stating that we could have our attorney work with SEC on the agreement before board approval. SEC could be responsible for costs incurred. Further, the Public Service Commission sets the natural gas rates, which

would be lowered with the proposed agreement by SEC. Currently Pleasanton residents are paying .90 cents and Arcadia .83 cents ? Merrill will talk with Bryan Graham, Township Attorney, about the agreement, keeping it at 10 years, and billing SEC for township costs.

Merrill reported that our township, per Jerry Peterson, Road Commission Manager, is to be on a 3 to 4 year "road maintenance" schedule. Since it's unlikely we can afford any paving projects, creating a priority list of other road projects would be ideal. Ertel mentioned Elmer's is also available for road maintenance. Further discussed was the Road Commission's agreement when Hopkins's Forest Drive was paved, to maintain it on a regular basis. Merrill will talk with Jerry about these issues.

OTHER BUSINESS On the Parramore matter, nothing was settled at mediation. Court proceedings continue.

Transfer station passes are "residential" only, except Kampvilla residents may use it on spring/fall "clean-up days".

PLANNING COMMISSION: Report given by Dave Ertel.

LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD: Report given by Gerald Stick.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT: Ken Hilliard absent.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Cross, Clerk