



**Chesaning Township Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
July 2, 2013 @ 7:30 p.m.**

**Regular Meeting:** Called to order at 7:33 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Members Present:** Supervisor Robert Corrin, Clerk Frances Kukulis, Treasurer Cathy Gross; Trustees: Kevin Carlton, William Hedrich, Peter Hemgesberg, and Ken Hornak

**Members Absent:** None

Condolences were offered to Trustee Hemgesberg and his family on the recent loss of his brother.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 6, 2013 were presented for approval.

**Public Comments:** None

**Committee/Board Reports:**

County Commissioner – No one present to report.

County Road Commission – No one present to report, monthly report of activity has been received.

SCTOA – Hornak noted no meeting was held in June.

Cemetery – Hemgesberg stated gravel has been spread on the cemetery roads but noted a deep hole in the North Section that needs additional work. Hedrich stated a trough will need to be dug to drain the standing water in the road; small trees and brush have been cleared from around headstones but a few larger trees need to be removed. He volunteered to do this work but was seeking board direction. Corrin noted the cemetery was cleared of larger trees and brush from headstones in 2007 and this work must be done periodically as maintenance to protect headstones from damage noting the cemetery ordinance regulates the location and size of plantings and decorative items. Kukulis updated the Board on the proposed sign which will list the names of occupants of the mausoleum and discussed possible options for mounting a bronze sign of this size; long term maintenance and cost are concerns.

Building Official – Kehoe noted the Frandsche Road issues of late have improved.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Olk reported he has been working on having cars removed from properties in violation of ordinance; the first weed enforcement letter is to be sent to a Ditch Road property; he has followed-up on the barn on Corunna Road and may have to contact the attorney if no progress is accomplished.

Parks & Rec – Carlton reported he believes the next meeting is July 3; the Parks and Rec Agreement continues to be worked on. Corrin noted review of the Master Plan and 5 year plan that will be up in 2014 will be beginning.

Rehmann Health Center – Gross reported no meeting was held.

Fire Board – Carlton reported 10,000 foot of fire hose has been tested, some will need replacement. Corrin noted crack seal or seal coat of the Fire drive will need to be done; 528 kids went through fire prevention training, the fair, the tractor pull and Showboat have requested a fire truck to be on standby during their events, a new fire truck purchase is being discussed to replace the 1988 truck.

MMWA – Kukulis noted the next meeting is August 12; survey flyers mailed in tax bills are being returned; a tally will be reported to the Board in October; the Board will have to decide the Township's service preferences; Kukulis will take this information to the MMWA October meeting for a vote of its' members; majority will rule on what services MMWA will solicit for bid.

Task Force – Corrin noted 61-62 businesses have been visited to date; Bo Parmenter will be the guest speaker next month.

**Board Officials Reports:**

Supervisor – Corrin reported Saginaw Future is looking for businesses interested in solar power, a new renter, Great Lakes Hybrid from Ovid has gone into the old Peet Packing site; Saginaw County Road Commission reported they have completed pothole patching, grading of gravel roads, shoulder rehab and maintenance, guardrail spraying and roadside mowing in June; chip and seal work is done, the bill for culverts was received and is being paid, and dust control has been completed; Board of Review will be July 15,

the Assessor will begin the re-assessment of the next 20% of properties; detour signs are up for the Fergus Road bridge work to begin; the bridge will be closed until October.

Clerk – Kukulis thanked the Board for the opportunity to go to the MAMC Conference in June and noted sessions were informative.

Treasurer – Gross reported tax bills were mailed, 61 taxpayers have paid already, \$26,732 State Revenue Sharing check was received, this amount is up from last year; July Board of Review preparation has begun, to date there are 13 industrial and 7-8 PRE's to be addressed, tax collection goes through September 14 without interest, Summer Tax Deferrals need to be in by September 14; tax collection was the discussion at the Saginaw Area Local Treasurer's Association meeting this month.

**Unfinished Business:**

Discuss Changes to Building Permit Fee Structure and Adopt Amended Fee Schedule – Building Official Kehoe offered examples of how the building permit fees would change under the new schedule. He noted currently no commercial schedule is in place. If adopted, building permit fees for house new construction will increase, pole barns and garages will decrease, decks will see a slight increase, and a commercial schedule will be established.

Parks and Recreation Agreement – Corrin noted work on the agreement is still in progress.

**New Business:**

Parshallburg Park Porta-John for River Race – Corrin asked the Board's desire in having a porta-john placed at the park for one day from approximately 6 a.m.–3 p.m. for the upcoming River Race.

Parshallburg Park Driveway – Corrin noted in 2011 the Board awarded a contract for asphalt paving of the Parshallburg Park drive but emergency work at the cemetery river bank took precedence so work on the drive was postponed. This year's budget includes dollars to accomplish this work if the Board would like to proceed. Corrin will approach the contractor to see if they are interested and what the current cost would be. It was noted 3-5 yards of stonecrete may be needed to prepare the drive prior to asphaltting.

**Extended Public Comment:** None.

**Extended Township Board Comment:** Hedrich asked if the cooperative extension had been paid for trees provided for the cemetery river bank planting. Corrin noted some trees were donated; he will follow-up to see what is owed. Hedrich discussed drainage issues on private properties near the cemetery believed to be caused by deteriorated or plugged County drains and additionally near the mausoleum noting the cemetery road project has been delayed due to standing water; these issues need to be addressed for the property owners and prior to putting in the future planned columbarium in the cemetery. Corrin noted the County is investigating the private property issues, a determination of what is needed to be done and who is responsible for the costs will need to be made.

**Items Approved:**

- Motion by Hedrich, support by Carlton, to approve the June 6, 2013, Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Carlton to have cemetery committee member volunteer(s) remove trees in the cemetery around headstones in compliance with the cemetery ordinance. Motion Carried. .
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrich, to adopt the new Fee Schedule amending the cost of building permit fees. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hornak, setting the new Fee Schedule to take effect at the start of business July 8, 2013. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Kukulis, support by Gross, to have a porta-john placed at Parshallburg Park for the July 13 River Race. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hedrich, support by Gross, to approve asphaltting the drive at Parshallburg Park utilizing the contractor awarded the work originally in 2011. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hedrich, support by Hemgesberg, to set a not to exceed \$5,000.00 cap on the cost of the drive work to be completed at Parshallburg Park. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Hedrich, to pay bills as presented. Bills totaled \$40,610.56. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Carlton, support by Hemgesberg, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion Carried.

**Frances M. Kukulis, Clerk  
Chesaning Township**