

# Chesaning Township Minutes Regular Meeting April 2, 2015 @ 7:30 p.m.

**Regular Meeting:** Called to order at 7:35 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

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was presented for approval.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting/Budget Public Hearing of March 5, 2015 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.

Cemetery –Kukulis noted the Spring clean-up ad ran March 22 and 29 notifying lot holders to remove items by April 12 and to refrain from placing plants/flowers until May 1; a 20 yard dumpster has been ordered for the clean-up and the 6 yard dumpster has been put back into service for Summer beginning April 7; Hedrich noted the stumps that remained on the riverbank are all down now creating the toe as planned when originally engineered; he has been unable to determine if the drains installed last year are working; discussion on items remaining in the garage from the last year's clean-up took place, it was decided information will be posted on the storage shed and a couple ads/articles will need to run prior to Memorial Day to notify lot holders stored items are still available for pickup and if these items remain unclaimed by mid to late July they will be disposed of.

Building Official – No one present to report. Corrin noted three building permits were issued in March.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer – No one present to report. Corrin noted a permit and yard clean-up issue on Chesaning Road is being followed, the barn on Niver Road has been cleaned-up; Hemgesberg noted he is still looking into burn permits, barn recyclers, and is talking to the DEQ regarding barn clean-up solutions.

Parks & Rec – Trustee Carlton arrived to the meeting at 8:12 p.m. from the Parks and Rec meeting which had been rescheduled to this evening. He noted new members have been appointed to fill vacancies; Zach Chludil has been selected Chairman; a kids sucker tournament is scheduled for April 11; tall grass was burned down at Showboat Park; Neil Pullman mowed the park; fruit trees (7 gallon size, including planting and mulch) at a cost of \$95/each are being proposed to create a community orchard in the park by the back ball fields; spraying of pond phragmites or dredging to eliminate them was discussed; a grant was received for trail work around the park; the 5-year plan discussion was delayed to allow new members time to come up to speed; a goal of holding meetings to a one-hour time frame was set.

Rehmann Health Center – Gross stated no meeting was held; a meeting will be held on April 14 to determine how distribution of United Appeal funds will be made.

Fire Board – Corrin reported the 2015-2016 Budget was reviewed and approved; amendments were made to the 2014-2015 Budget; a tire issue caused damage to a fender on the fire truck when returning from a fire in Elsie, the tire will need to be replaced and repairs made to the truck; the semi-annual building payment was made.

MMWA – Kukulis noted the next meeting is scheduled for April 13.

Task Force – Carlton noted the meeting was held at the museum; committee reports were given; members toured the building.

ZBA Meeting Report – Hornak noted the annual meeting was held April 1; no one from the public was present; election of officers took place with Gary Azelton remaining as Chairman and Harold Mallory as Secretary; no other business came before the Board; the next annual meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2016.

## **Board Officials Reports:**

Supervisor – Corrin noted a meeting on the Young Drain is scheduled for April 21; a GIS meeting will be held April 27; the Board of Review handled 32 petitions including 2 poverty and 14 veteran exemptions, decisions were mailed to property owners March 30th; County road estimates for work on Frandsche Road came in very high, the seal blend cost was not received in time for the meeting; some planned road work may have to be cancelled due to costs; one mile of chip and seal is \$18,000 and seal blend \$20,000; due to winter deterioration Gary Road requires repair, the cost will be shared with St. Charles Township but the County has yet to determine the repair and the cost; Johnstone Road east of Corunna/State Road will be graveled, the cost will be shared with Shiawassee County; brining as usual will be done including the gravel on Frandsche Road from Johnstone Road to Havana Road; tube work needs to be determined yet; Hemgesberg suggested inquiring about getting bids from outside contractors for this work; the Planning Commission is working with Spicer Engineering to develop ordinance language outlining how requests for private driveways will be handled with regard to who pays for the work.

Clerk – Kukulis noted election work continues; over 200 absent voter ballots have been mailed already, April 6 is the registration deadline to vote in the May 5 election; preparation for the annual audit has begun; the computers and back-up system are in, preliminary work is being performed before starting work in house which should start in the next week or two.

Treasurer – Gross reported tax settlement with the County took place March 30; 94% of property taxes were collected by the due date with 6%, \$233,000, going delinquent; 20 dog tags were sold; a few reports still need to be printed to complete all work; five homestead issues have already been received for July Board of Review.

## **Unfinished Business:**

Appoint Planning Commission Member (To Fill Vacancy) – Corrin noted the position remains open with a possible candidate showing interest.

Consider Adopting Fire Insurance Withholding Program Resolution - The Board was presented, for their consideration, a Fire Insurance Withholding Program Resolution which would allow for participation making it possible for insurers to provide the Township a portion of certain casualty losses to be escrowed in order to secure repair, replacement or removal of damaged structures.

Consider Adoption Saginaw Future Annual Contract – The Board was presented, for their consideration, an Agreement for Services with Saginaw Future Inc. relating to economic development activities within the Township.

#### **New Business:**

None

## **Extended Public Comment: None**

**Extended Township Board Comment:** Corrin reminded Board members of the free 2015 MTA Legislative Advocacy Day noting the registration deadline had been extended until April 10.

## **Items Approved**:

- Motion by Hornak, support by Hedrich, to approve the agenda, as presented, with the addition of Item j)—I) ZBA Meeting Report under Committee/Commission Reports. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrich, to approve the March 5, 2015 Regular Board Meeting/Budget Public Hearing minutes, as presented. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Carlton, to adopt the Fire Insurance Withholding Program Resolution, as presented. Roll Call Vote –
  Yes: Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrich, to file application with the Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services for Chesaning Township to participate in the Fire Insurance Withholding Program. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Hemgesberg to enter into an Agreement For Services with Saginaw Future, Inc. from April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016, at a cost of \$500.00. Roll Call Vote Yes: Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hedrich, support by Hemgesberg, to pay bills, as presented. Bills totaled \$43,391.53. Roll Call Vote Yes: Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Carlton, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion Carried.

Frances M. Kukulis, Clerk Chesaning Township