

Arlington Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor, Jacque Phillippe. Board members present were Pitts, Pugsley, Bregger, and DeLeo.

The minutes of the January meeting were read . Motion by Pitts supported by Bregger to adopt the minutes. Motion Carried.

Police Report-- Deputy Avery reported a total of (36) calls for the month.. He noted the importance of getting safety light asap when pulling stuck cars out of snowbanks.

Fire Report-- There were (55) calls for the month with (9) in the Township.. Derrick reported that the United Methodist Church had distributed 390 Christmas gifts to area needy children. The department has decided to give the program \$1000.00 from its pancake breakfast receipts. The department is also visiting all commercial business's in the fire district in order to map their interiors and develop individual fire fighting plans for each business. The department budget is being worked on. The ABB Annual Meeting is being scheduled for March 27, 2013 at 7:00 p.m..

Supervisor's Report-- Jacque attended a property tax forum on the elimination of personal property taxes. She also attended the recent Board of Review Seminar.

Clerk's Report-- None

Planning Commission-- The Enforcement Officer is sending out warning letters to several problem property owners. There has been a report of illegal construction at the Ed Krugler property. The April Planning Commission Meeting is still being considered for a Public Hearing on the revised Zoning Book.

Hospital Report-- The hospital operated 2% below budget for the first six months. South Haven Health System has gone online with their new computer records system.

Commissioner's Report-- Sue reports that there is a new Mortgage Relief program available thru MISHDA. Receipts from the Four Winds Casino in the amount of \$141,500.00 are being split up as follows: \$17,687.00 to Public Safety, and the rest to creating a new single entrance to the Court in Paw Paw.

The County is offering computer software help to local units of government within the County. A new County Website will be ready soon.

Old Business-- Website Update, Butler Communications is now out of the equation for revamping our township website. We are looking for a new contractor to help create a new website.

Kelly Page, previous township attorney, further states that they do not have any township records there on file.

New Business-- Hall renovation-- Motion by Bregger supported by Pitts to hire Nate Baylor to repair the cracked plaster on the walls so that they can be repainted at a cost not to exceed \$250.00.

General Policy Manual. Motion by DeLeo supported by Bregger to adopt the new General Policy Manual for the Township. Motion Carried.

Board of Review-- The Board of Review will hear appeals March 11 from noon-5 pm and 6-9 p.m. and on March 15 from 9-12 and 1-4 p.m..

Brad Page from Southwest Dust Control addressed the Board and expressed his wish to get our business for road salting back.

Mike Anchor, Lawrence Fire Chief, presented the Board with and 2012-2013 annual fire call data. They currently have 26 men on the department and have been recently re-rated to a Fire Rating of 8B.

A representative from John Proos Office gave the Board an update on what's happening in Lansing including several proposed changes to the gas tax program.

Treasurer's Report-- Phil presented Budget Amendment #3 in the amount of \$11,617.69. Motion by Pitts supported by DeLeo to adopt the amendment. Motion Carried by a unanimous roll-call vote.

Phil presented a proposed budget for 2013-2014 in the amount of \$209,250.00.

ENDING BALANCE	\$222,230.40
MONTHLY RECEIPTS	12,172.06
MONTHLY EXPENDITURES	14,374.57
ENDING BALANCE	\$220,027.89

Motion to pay the bills by Bregger supported by DeLeo. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes taken by William Pugsley, Clerk