

The regular monthly board meeting for the Township of Wright was held on Thursday, August 11, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wright-Waldron Municipal Building.

The Supervisor, Fred Horwath called the meeting to order.

The meeting was opened with reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance and with prayer offered by Board Member, Lois Hills.

The Board Members in attendance were Fred Horwath, Lois Hills, Roger Zimmerman, and William White. Connie Strong was absent.

There were five citizens and guests present at the meeting including Ben Wheeler, Christie Cook, Chuck Meade, Maxine Vanlerberg, and Richard Brey.

Board Member, Roger Zimmerman made the motion, supported by Board Member, Lois Hills, to approve the minutes of last month's meeting as printed. The motion carried.

Due to the absence of the Treasurer there was no Treasurer's report.

The meeting was opened for public comment. There were no comments.

It was reported that a tree was partially blown over in a recent storm at the Waldron Cemetery. Roger Zimmerman will contact Rummel Tree Service of Pioneer, Ohio for an estimate for clean up and removal of the tree, and if the price is reasonable it is the consensus of the board to go ahead with the project.

Ben Wheeler from Michigan Assessing Service asked if there was a place to store previous assessing records at the Townhall. The Fire Department is using the old village office for storage and it was thought there should be space to store the records there.

The Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) of \$300,000 from United Bank and Trust for the Lime Lake/Prattville sewer project is coming due on September 1, 2005. United Bank and Trust has agreed to a one-year BAN of \$375,000, dated 9/1/05 coming due 9/1/06. The interest rate will be 3.50%. A resolution authorizing the issuance of the township's bond anticipation note in the principal amount of \$375,000 was presented. United Bank and Trust will apply the Note proceeds to the amount due the bank September 1, 2005 for the Series 2002 BAN in the amount of \$300,000 principal and \$3,735 interest for a total of \$303,735. The balance of \$71,265 will be transferred the Sewer Fund Account at the Flagstar Bank.

Board Member, William White made the motion, supported by Board Member, Roger Zimmerman, to approve the attached resolution authorizing the issuance of the township's bond anticipation note in the principal amount of \$375,000. Roll call vote: William White – yes; Roger Zimmerman – yes, Lois Hills – yes, Fred Horwath – yes, and Connie Strong – absent. (See *August 11, 2005 attachment for the complete wording of the resolution.*)

The motion was made by Board Member, William White, and supported by Board Member, Roger Zimmerman; to approve the land division application submitted by Nanci Fuller, Property # 30-17-008-300-0096-08-8-1, Address 10100 Prattville Road. Legal Description of Parent – Land in the Township of Wright, County of Hillsdale and State of Michigan, described as: The south 1/3 of the West 45 acres of the South 90 acres of the Southwest ¼ of Section 8 Town 8 South, Range 1 West. Roll Call Vote: Lois Hills – yes, Fred Horwath – yes, William White – yes, Roger Zimmerman – yes, and Connie Strong – absent.

A Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program, Farmland agreement, PA 116, application was received from Brent and Cathy Moore. It is for a parcel of land Wright Township

in the Northeast quarter of Section 28, Town 8 South, Range 1 West, for 98.00 acres more or less.

The motion was made by Board Member, William White, and supported by Board Member, Roger Zimmerman; to approve the application for the Farmland agreement, PA 116, submitted by Brent and Cathy Moore for a parcel of land in Wright Township in the Northeast quarter of Section 28, Town 8 South, Range 1 West, for 98.00 acres more or less. . Roll Call Vote: Lois Hills – yes, Fred Horwath – yes, William White – yes, Roger Zimmerman – yes, and Connie Strong – absent.

County Commissioner, Maxine Vanlerberg, gave an update on current Board of Commissioners issues. At this time they are entering into their budget cycle. They are reinitiating looking into installing an elevator in the Court House. They are possibly looking at putting a proposal for one mill for one year on the ballot for the elevator project and replacing the roof on the jail. She reported hopefully they would be signing the 911 union contract soon. She said this has been a drawn out and painful process.

Richard Brey asked about the current status of the Lime Lake project. He was informed that advertising of the Lime Lake sewer project for bids should begin in September 2005. Bids would be opened in October. Plans for construction are to begin in the spring of 2006.

Board Member, Roger Zimmerman made the motion, supported by Board Member, Lois Hills, to pay the bills submitted for payment, a total of \$ 18,209.40 from the General Fund. (*A listing of the bills is available upon request.*) The motion carried.

Board Member, William White made the motion, supported by Board Member, Roger Zimmerman to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Lois J. Hills
Wright Township Clerk