

Approved Minutes – Reading Township Board
February 9, 2004, Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with Dave Newell, Roger Wheeler, Ron Parker, Judy Wheeler and Randy Wigent present. Also present were Mike McCavit, Sr., James Galloway, Chuck Rutz and Kathy Mikolajczyk.

The minutes of the January 12, 2004 regular meeting were read and approved.

There was a motion by Dave Newell supported by Randy Wigent to sign a contract with the Hillsdale County Road Commission for a “Gravel Road Stabilization (Dust Control)” Project for the summer of 2004. This was for a total amount \$13,125.00 and would be paid to John Pate (JLM). This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Dave Newell to adopt a suggested “Poverty Guidelines Resolution” which would include the Federal Poverty Income Standards for 2004 Assessments. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Dave Newell supported by Randy Wigent to approve a “right-of-way telecommunications permit” as requested by Michigan Bell Telephone, d/b/a SBC. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Dave Newell to approve a “right-of-way telecommunications permit” as requested by Verison except that section 7.1.1 be modified so that it ends after the phrase five years from the date of issuance so that the remainder of that paragraph is stricken. This motion carried 5-0.

The Annual Reading Township Budget Hearing will be held as part of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2004.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Dave Newell to participate with the Hillsdale County Geographical Information Systems Committee to take geo-referenced digital orthographic photos of the entire county at six-inch resolution. This “Flyover” would be done in the spring of 2004. The cost to the Township will not exceed \$500. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Randy Wigent to pay bills and make payments for the month of February for a total amount of \$34,739.14. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Dave Newell supported by Randy Wigent to authorize Reading Township’s representatives on the Reading Community Fire Board to sign a contract between the Reading Community Fire Department and Wolverine Fire Apparatus Company. This would be in the amount of \$218,956.26 for the purchase of a new pumper/tanker fire truck for the Reading Community Fire Department. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Dave Newell to authorize the financing of up to \$100,000 by Reading Township through the County National Bank at an interest rate of 3.70% with either annual or semi-annual payments for a period of 10 years. This would be for the purchase of a new fire truck. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Randy Wigent to authorize the Reading Township Treasurer, Judith E. Wheeler to sign for up to a \$100,000 loan, for the purchase of a new fire truck. This motion carried 5-0.

There was a motion by Randy Wigent supported by Ron Parker to adjourn. This motion carried 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.