

Approved Minutes – Reading Township Board
November 13, 2006, Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with James Galloway, Roger Wheeler, Ron Parker, Randy Wigent and Judy Wheeler present. Also present were Kathy Mikolajczyk, Janice Garczynski, Jim Holdgreve, Harold Farris, Tom Richards, Dean Briner and Jeff Giffey.

The minutes of the October 9, 2006 Regular meeting and the October 9, 2006 Election Commission meeting were approved as presented.

There were no comments from guests.

Tom Richards, representing the Fire Department provided a presentation on a proposed building project that the Firemen want to do. This would be for a 30' x 60' addition to the back (North Side) of the present fire barn. Their plan calls for the firemen to pay the complete cost of the project but would involve them borrowing \$75,000 (in the names of the City and the Township). They presently have four fundraisers each year and would plan to add three more to help repay a loan. Tom then answered questions about the project.

The Fire Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 15, 2006 will not be held unless the Auditor is ready to present his report.

There was a discussion of roads including Lakeside Dr. and Hakes Rd. The Township Board will attempt to develop a priority list of potential road projects over the next several years. This will be helpful when the Township and the Hillsdale County Road Commission meet in January.

Zoning Administrator, Harold Farris submitted a monthly report.

Supervisor Galloway had asked Township Attorney, Kevin Shirk and planning consultant, Tim Johnson to discuss and hopefully resolve any concerns over the proposed revisions to the zoning ordinance. No word has come back from any discussions.

There was a motion by Judy Wheeler supported by James Galloway to accept Blank's Telephone Service, LLC proposal to provide an answering system that could also redirect phone calls made to the township hall to the various township official's phone. The cost to purchase this system will be \$1,735.15 and will require that a second phone line be maintained at the hall. This motion carried 5-0.

The Assessor's contract expires on the 15th of November but will be extended through December 15th. Supervisor Galloway will be working on an Assessor's contract.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler, supported by Randy Wigent to pay bills and make payments for the month of November for a total amount of \$21,386.52. This motion carried 5-0.

Each of the board of review members is willing to be re-appointed for 2007 & 2008. Appointments will be made at the December meeting.

A replacement for Orrie Close is still needed on the Zoning Board of Appeals. An alternate will also want to be appointed.

There was discussion of a recycling station/transfer station.

There was a motion by Randy Wigent supported by James Galloway to adjourn. This motion carried 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Roger Wheeler,
Reading Township Clerk

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