

Approved Minutes – Reading Township Board
December 11, 2006, Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with James Galloway, Roger Wheeler, Ron Parker, and Judy Wheeler present. Randy Wigent was absent. Also present were Kathy Mikolajczyk, and Bob Godfrey.

The minutes of the November 13, 2006 Regular meeting was approved as presented.

Kathy Mikolajczyk asked about another dumpster for tire disposal. A suggestion was offered that Jim Lockwood may have a tire disposal site in Jefferson Township.

Ron Parker mentioned that Ed Teller had told him that the waste hauler had hauled away a partially filled dumpster instead of the full one and is supposed to provide a discount on the billing.

There was some discussion of possible road projects. Some items mentioned were to Limestone and then Paver-patch some roads in Totem Village along with projects from previous lists. There were complaints about the paving on Quackenbush Road and on the handling of the repair costs for the poor seal-coating job the previous year.

Two possible choices were selected for meetings between the Reading Township Board and the Hillsdale County Road Commission. The first choice was January 18, 2007 at 7:00 PM and the second choice was January 25, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

A Fire Board meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, December 13, 2006. Having an audit of the Fire Department is very important.

There was discussion of the proposed revisions to the zoning ordinance. Tim Johnson of MainStreet Planning had made some adjustments. Supervisor Galloway presented to the board a letter from Township Attorney, Kevin Shirk with still more concerns over the proposed changes. It was decided to table this for further discussion between Planning Commission Chairman Gary Lovett, Supervisor James Galloway, Township Attorney Kevin Shirk and Planning Consultant, Tim Johnson.

There was a motion by James Galloway, supported by Ron Parker to approve a two year contract with Ben Wheeler to be the Reading Township Assessor. This motion carried 4-0.

The State Liquor Control Commission could not accept the wording of the Township Board's resolution that had been adopted in September in support of William Sours' application for a Tavern License so to replace that resolution and to adopt a resolution as prepared by the Liquor Control Commission there was a motion by James Galloway supported by Ron Parker to adopt a resolution approving "above all others" a request by William J. Sours for a new Tavern License to be located at 3014 Totem Trail, Reading, MI 49274 and recommend the application be issued. This motion carried 4-0 with Randy Wigent absent.

There was a motion by James Galloway supported by Judy Wheeler reappoint Charles Schroeder, Gary Lovett and David Newell to the Board of Review for the term of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008. This motion carried 4-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by James Galloway to appoint Doug Hicks to the Board of Appeals to complete the term of Orrie Close. This motion carried 4-0. The township will still be seeking an alternate member for the ZBA.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler, supported by Ron Parker to pay bills and make payments for the month of December for a total amount of \$8,828.64. This motion carried 4-0.

The Township will look into possibly purchasing a lawn mower and ancillary lawn care equipment and hiring someone to mow the hall and the cemeteries.

The Township will begin developing a budget for 2007/2008.

There was a motion by Judy Wheeler supported by James Galloway to adjourn. This motion carried 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Roger Wheeler,
Reading Township Clerk

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