

## Approved Minutes – Reading Township Board December 10, 2007, 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, Jim Holdgreve, Gretchen Oberdick, Harold Farris, Eric Fox, Roger Messenger, Beverly Messenger, Dorothy Risk, Henry Risk, Linda Hughes, Jim Newell, Cheryl Murphy, Jerry Murphy and Bill Holifield.

The minutes of the November 12, 2007 Regular Meeting were approved as presented.

Several residents (Beverly Messenger, Dorothy Risk, Henry Risk, Roger Messenger and Eric Fox) from Totem Village were present at the meeting to complain about the streetlights at Totem Village and the Street Light assessments at Totem Village as well as the spread of the assessment.

Several residents (Jim Newell, Linda Hughes, Cheryl Murphy, Jerry Murphy and Bill Holifield) were at the meeting to ask questions about the Feasibility Studies on a Joint Sewer Project and a Joint Water Project between the townships of Hillsdale, Cambria and Reading. There were a number of questions and concerns brought up. Supervisor Galloway tried to stress the point that this is just a feasibility study at this point and is important in providing information on the condition of our lakes as well as determining any possible needs and future direction. The township will see if Wightman & Associates, Inc. might be able to provide a website to provide information and keep people updated on this feasibility study.

There were questions from people living off of Humphrey Road about whether or not Humphrey Road would be paved this next summer. This is under consideration by the township board. They wanted the board to know that there are still some washout problems at the bridge, specifically the southeast corner of the bridge.

It is the thought of the board that if MDOT chooses a detour route other than through Reading Township that it may be wise to limit truck traffic on local roads.

The board chose two possible meeting times for the annual meeting with the road commission. These were 5:00 PM on Tuesday January 22 as a first choice and 4:00 PM on that same day as a second choice.

There was not a Fire Report. There was not any change in the reorganization of the Fire Department. The Township will be appointing only two members to the new Fire Board most likely at the same time that the reorganization is adopted.

Reading Township Supervisor James Galloway signed the agreements for both the Feasibility Study on a Joint Sewer Project and the Feasibility Study on a Joint Water Project earlier today, Monday, December 10, 2007 and it is expected that the other two townships (Hillsdale Township and Cambria Township) would sign these agreements on Tuesday, December 11, 2007.

The Zoning Administrator presented his monthly activities report to the board.

Supervisor Galloway provided the board with a copy of a letter from Attorney Kevin Shirk on a number of ordinance revisions. These are for the board to review for future discussions.

Copies of the proposed reformatted zoning ordinance had been handed out to board members and planning commission members at the October meeting for review and to try to find any errors, typos, etc. or if there were any other suggestions. The Township Clerk has created a list of errors, typos and discrepancies and will forward these to Tim Johnson at MainStreet Planning so that these corrections can be made to the proposed reformatted ordinance.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by Judy Wheeler to appoint Jon Burrell and Gretchen Oberdick as alternate members for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion carried 4-0.

There was a motion by Judy Wheeler supported by Ron Parker to reappoint Phyllis Newell to the Library Board through December of 2010. This motion carried 4-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by James Galloway to pay a Christmas bonus to Ed Teller at the Transfer station of \$216.57. This motion carried 4-0.

There was a motion by James Galloway supported by Ron Parker to approve the purchase of a laser printer that would be approved by the State Qualified Voter System and to provide an upgraded Internet service to the clerk. This motion carried 4-0.

There was a motion by Roger Wheeler supported by James Galloway to pay bills and make payments for the month of December for a total amount of \$6,663.62. This motion carried 4-0.

There was a motion by Ron Parker supported by Judy Wheeler to adjourn. This motion carried 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Roger Wheeler,  
Reading Township Clerk

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