

Boston Township Board Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2009

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Dunton at 7 p.m. with the following members present: Mackey, Lamphere, Olson, Dunton, Spoelstra, Perry, Harvey

Citizens Comments – None

Agenda Approval – Motion to approve the Agenda was made by Dunton, 2nd by Perry. All ayes. Passed.

Consent Agenda Approval –

- January bills payable – Checks #15438-15466, for the total amount of \$22,184.90.
- December 17, 2008 board meeting minutes were reviewed

Motion by Perry to approve the Consent Agenda. Supported by Dunton. All ayes. Passed.

Clerk's Report

- *Printer/Scanner* – Clerk Spoelstra proposed the purchase of a Samsung multifunction printer at a cost of \$225 from Printing Essentials in Lake Odessa. It was agreed by the Board to allow this purchase.
- *Website update* was given.
- *Disposal of Twp Office Equipment* – Harvey made a motion to allow the disposal of township office equipment, which has been fully depreciated and determined to be obsolete, in a sustainable manner. Supported by Perry. All ayes. Passed. Concern noted: confidentiality laws – to destroy before elimination.

Treasurer's Report

- Tax collections are continuing to come in.
- Report was given as update on Special Assessment Districts

New Business –

- *Ordinance 98-02 Restricting Two Dwellings on One Parcel* – Lengthy discussion was had between board members on allowing the replacement of an existing manufactured home as of December 2002 creating two dwellings on one parcel of property. Attorney Mark VanAllsburg prepared a proposed Ordinance 09-___ which was reviewed by the board regulating that replacement, if any. It was suggested by Harvey that additional language be added to the ordinance limiting the replacement of a second dwelling only until said parcel changes ownership.

Supervisor Dunton also brought up the issue of enforcement of this ordinance if we have no cooperation from the County of Ionia. Dunton met with County Chairperson James Banks regarding this issue with a proposed solution by Dunton. Mr. Banks took the matter under advisement and is to bring the matter up with the County Administration.

Motion by Dunton, and 2nd by Olson to table this issue without date pending communication from James Banks after his communication with the County attorney with regard to cooperation between the County and the Township on the issuance of building permits.

- Hall rental policy -- Olson provided a copy of the Michigan Township Association policy on hall rental, which states that service organization must be charged for use of hall facilities; however, it can be determined by the township that government agencies may be exempt from fee.

Olson moved to adopt revised Hall Rental Policy adding ¶ 13. Supported by Lamphere. All ayes. Passed.

- Confirmation of Randall Willette and Dan Pawl to Clarksville-Morrison Lake Sewer Authority --

Dunton moved, with Harvey supporting, to appoint Randall Willette and re-appoint Dan Pawl to the Clarksville-Morrison Lake Sewer Authority. All ayes. Passed.

- 2008-2009 Budget Review – Budget was reviewed by Clerk Spoelstra and presented to Board.

Supervisor's Notes:

- Next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, February 11, 2009, at 7 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by

Lori Spoelstra
Boston Township Clerk