

MINUTES OF THE ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD

Held on April 14th, 2011
Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held on April 14th, 2011, at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Supervisor Ochadleus. PRESENT: Supervisor Al Ochadleus, Clerk Nancy Herpolsheimer, Treasurer Pam Mason, Trustee Phil Madeline and Trustee Richard Lacey. ABSENT: None. ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Gildner and the public per the Sign-In Sheet attached.

The minutes of the March 10th, 2011 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections or deletions;

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Madeline to approve the March 10th, 2011 Attica Township Board minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mason gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$476,436.00 receipts of \$76,402.49; Interest of \$88.37; Distributions of \$37,765.82 for a New Balance of \$515,161.04. Public Safety has \$159,527.58; Fire Millage has \$120,980.42; Fire Department Escrow has \$54,802.39 and there is \$1,406.40 in the Lake George Road Special Assessment account.

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Madeline to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

POLICE REPORT: Deputy Nick Vandenberg gave the following police report: there were 184 calls in the month of March with 102 of the calls handled by the Township deputies.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attica Little League

Supervisor Ochadleus and Park Manager and Trustee Phil Madeline met with Little League directors prior to the Township Board meeting. Supervisor Ochadleus gave an overview of the meeting and stated that he instructed the directors to resolve all issues including field scheduling.

2. Budget Discussion

Revenue Sharing and Taxable Values were discussed. The Budget Workshop was set for April 26th at 7 p.m. and all department heads were instructed to have figures to Clerk Herpolsheimer by April 21st.

3. Township Employee Life Insurance

Inexpensive life insurance for Township employees, including the Fire Department employees, was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Agreement with Bob Nichols

Attorney Gildner will have a farming agreement with Bob Nichols drafted for the May Township Board meeting.

2. Township Hall Parking Lot Repair

A proposal from T.G. Priehs Paving Co., for parking lot repair was discussed.

MOTION by Mason, seconded by Madeline to accept the proposal from T.G. Priehs Paving Co. for Township Hall parking lot repair at a cost of \$4,050.00. A roll call vote was taken. Lacey: Aye; Madeline: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Herpolsheimer: Aye and Mason: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Dumpster Day

The Attica Township Dumpster Day will be held on Saturday, May 21st from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Dumpster Day information will be published in the newspaper on May 4th.

4. Museum Training

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Mason to authorize Township Museum director, Janet O'Donnell, to attend the Historical Society of Michigan History Skills Workshop Series at a cost not to exceed \$350.00. A roll call vote was taken. Ochadleus: Aye; Herpolsheimer: Aye; Madeline: Aye; Lacey: Aye and Mason: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. FIRE: Fire Chief Warford reported:

- a) There was a structure fire on West Road.
- b) The paging system is now operational.
- c) The Fire Department has responded to 7 calls since March's board meeting.
- d) Chief Warford is working on a pamphlet explaining the Fire Department's siren sounds. Chief Warford is also considering creating an Emergency Response Guidelines booklet.
- e) The Fire Department's Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction will be held April 30th.

2. PARK: Park Manager Phil Madeline reported that the park has seen a lot of usage since the weather has improved. Park Maintenance Supervisor Duane Schwerin has been trimming trees and reported that some trees need to be taken down.

3. PLANNING COMMISSION: Planning Commission Secretary Bud Fackler reported:

- a) A Public Hearing for Mag Motors, Inc. has been set for May 4th, 2011.
- b) A Public Hearing for Victory Auto Enterprise has been set for May 4th, 2011.

4. ATTORNEY REPORT:

Attorney Gildner asked for direction regarding cost recovery from GMAC for the Pacquin accident. The attorney from GMAC is not cooperating. Supervisor Ochadleus instructed Attorney Gildner to pursue legal action.

5. AMBULANCE: None.

6. CEMETERY: None.

7. COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Jarvis reported:

- a) The County Commissioners are working on the budget. Eight contracts have yet to be settled.
- b) The plan for the County Planning Commission is in the final stages of being resolved at the county level.

8. BOARD:

There was discussion regarding the petition, requesting the fire siren be activated 24 hours per day, which was presented to the board at last month's board meeting. After reviewing the petition it was decided that the siren will continue its current format as recommended by Attica Township Fire Chief Chris Warford.

9. PUBLIC:

- a) Resident Duane Schwerin asked if the length of time the siren blows can be shortened. Fire Chief Warford explained that it is set at the shortest mandated time.
- b) Resident Elaine Thayer asked if there is any progress on the rabbit farm. There was discussion.

REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$33,567.42; Public Safety for the amount of \$18,869.80 and for the Fire Fund for the amount of \$12,640.23 and there being no questions:

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Madeline to approve the bills as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Lacey: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Madeline: Aye; Mason: Aye and Herpolsheimer: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Lacey seconded by Madeline to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None.
MOTION CARRIED.

Submitted by:

Respectfully Submitted By:

Valerie Schultz, Recording Secretary

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk