

ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

April 10th, 2014

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held on April 10th, 2014, at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Clerk Herpolsheimer. PRESENT: Clerk Nancy Herpolsheimer, Treasurer Pam Mason, Trustee Phil Madeline and Trustee Richard Lacey. ABSENT: Supervisor Al Ochadleus. ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Gildner and the sign-in sheet attached.

Pledge of allegiance led by Chief Warford.

REVIEW MINUTES:

The minutes of the March 13th, 2014 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections or deletions;

MOTION by Madeline, seconded by Lacey to approve the March 13th, 2014 Attica Township regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mason gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$569,076.63, receipts of \$91,798.16; Interest of \$52.19; Distributions of \$53,644.65 for a New Balance of \$607,282.33; General Fund CDARS savings account has \$200,852.11. Public Safety has \$138,849.93; Public Safety CDARS Savings account has \$50,213.01; Fire Millage has \$107,709.53; Fire Millage CDARS Savings account has \$50,213.01. Fire Escrow has \$67,174.07; Fire Escrow CDARS Savings account has \$50,213.01 and there is \$2,158.32 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: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

POLICE REPORT: Deputy Nick Vandenberg gave the following police report: there were 130 calls in the month of March with 67 of the calls handled by the township deputies.

PUBLIC TIME: Sharna Smith, clerk in Arcadia Township, introduced herself as a candidate running for State Representative for the 82nd District. Ms. Smith gave a brief history of herself and indicated her desire to serve at the next level and asked for support.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance to Adopt the International Property Maintenance Code and Repeal the Township Building Code Ordinance.** Attorney Gilder drafted the International Property Maintenance Code and Repeal the Township Building Code Ordinance to compliment Attica Township's blight ordinance. The Planning Commission and Attorney Gildner recommended approval of the ordinance. There was discussion.

MOTION by Madeline seconded by Mason to adopt the **Ordinance to Adopt the International Property Maintenance Code and Repeal the Township Building Code Ordinance.** A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **Authorize Liquor License Application.**

MOTION by Mason seconded by Lacey to authorize the application for the Special Liquor License from the State of Michigan for Attica Days. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE: Fire Chief Warford reported:
 - a) There were 5 runs since the last meeting.
 - b) The fire department is ready for the grass season which is upon us and advised residents to be cautious of wind and neighboring property while burning.
 - c) The fire department spaghetti dinner and auction is Saturday, April 12th.
 - d) The Easter egg hunt is the day before Easter (April 19th) at 11 a.m. at the park.
 - e) He has received generator quotes for the fire hall and the township hall. Bids were requested from four companies and two of those companies submitted bids. There was discussion.
2. PARK: Park Manager Phil Madeline reported:
 - a) The park is open.
 - b) Porta-johns are being installed tomorrow (April 11th).
 - c) The maintenance workers are very busy cleaning up trees and branches in the park.

- d) David Craquditch of the Attica Little League asked Park Manager Madeline if there were plans to bring in dirt for the fields. There was discussion regarding Little League.
3. PLANNING COMMISSION: Planning Secretary Fackler reported:
- a) A Public Hearing to amend the ordinance for adult foster care is set for May 22nd.
 - b) A Public Hearing to amend the Soil Ordinance is set for May 22nd.
 - c) There was fracking discussion at the Planning Commission meeting (March 27th).
 - d) Two requests for a variance to build a garage in the front yard were approved at the March 27th meeting.
 - e) The new playground equipment was discussed at the March meeting.
 - f) The Planning Commission recommended approval of the Ordinance to Adopt the International Property Maintenance Code and Repeal the Township Building Code Ordinance.
 - g) A Public Hearing will be set for the burned out house at 5721 Reynolds Road once the owner is located.
4. ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Gildner reported:
- a) A title search has been requested for the burned house at 5721 Reynolds Road.
 - b) A suit has been filed against Tars Service and their insurance company for an unpaid fire run.
5. AMBULANCE: Fire Chief Warford stated that the medical board is now meeting once a month. The ambulance service has been in the black for two months in a row.
6. CEMETERY: None
7. COMMISSIONER REPORT: Commissioner Jarvis reported:
- a) There was a hearing on the ORV ordinance and it will go into effect in 30 days.
 - b) Lake Pleasant Rd. and Newark Rd. project is ongoing, presently acquiring right of way from property owners.
 - c) She attended the COPS meeting yesterday on human trafficking. A safe place is needed for underage girl and there are not any funds.
 - d) Mental health has been cut for the next 6 months.
 - e) The seniors are having their Senior Celebration on May 21st at Crossroads Village.

- f) Attended a workshop on wills and trusts for seniors.
 - g) On June 16th at 10 a.m. there will be a forum for seniors to meet their legislatures and public officials at the Mayfield Township Hall.
8. Board: None.
9. Public Time: Ed Smith, Constituent Services Specialist, from Congresswoman Miller's office gave highlights of Congresswoman Miller's accomplishments.

REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$66,879.13 (check #15597 through check #15666); Public Safety for the amount of \$18,351.12 (check #1180) and for the Fire Fund for the amount of \$20,085.45 (check #3303 through check #3338) for a TOTAL of \$105,315.70. There being no further questions:

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

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Lacey seconded by Madeline to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Submitted by:

Respectfully Submitted By:

Valerie Schultz, Deputy Clerk

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk