



**Chesaning Township Minutes
Regular Meeting
December 6, 2012 @ 7:30 p.m.**

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:34 p.m.

Members Present: Supervisor Robert Corrin, Clerk Frances Kukulis; Treasurer Cathy Gross; Trustees: Kevin Carlton, William Hedrich, Peter Hemgesberg, and Kenneth Hornak

Members Absent: None

Public Comments: Randy Braeutigan addressed the Board regarding procedure to add an additional driveway to his property. Corrin noted he would need to contact the County Road Commission for a permit.

Committee/Board Reports:

County Commissioner – No one present to report.

County Road Commission – No one present to report.

SCTOA – Hornak reported there was no December meeting and reminded the Board of the Annual Meeting to be held at Swan Valley Golf & Banquet Center on December 12, 2012.

Cemetery Committee – Hemgesberg reported the mausoleum work has been completed, the water line hit recently during a burial was most likely a dead line but will have to be confirmed in the Spring, he will be marking the roadways with flags for the new snow removal contractor and the committee plans to meet in January to begin working on the mausoleum plaques and the plotting of the new section made available by the removal of the garage.

Building Official – Corrin presented a list of permits issued through November 30, 2012 provided by Kehoe for Board review.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Olk noted the Corunna Road barn is down, clean-up continues. He met with Attorney Brandt three tickets were issued to the property owner on Frandsche Road and will be addressed in court at 10:00 a.m. on December 11.

Parks & Rec – Carlton noted bills were paid, a fencing order was placed to guarantee the price, 500+ cookies were handed out during the Candlelight Walk, and discussion/ plans were made for replanting trees in the parks.

Rehmann Health Center – Gross reported no meeting was held; and flu shots are being given on regular clinic days.

Fire Board – Corrin reported vehicle maintenance continues, the audit is completed (copies for the Township were provided), spaghetti dinner was held on November 24, the pension fund is being phased out with the first phase completed, and updates to computer system are being made to comply with audit requested changes.

MMWA – Kukulis reported the next meeting will be December 10, 2012. The Paint Renew program was suspended on November 30 due to a lack of funding. New flyers "Leftover Paint How-To's" is available for proper handling of paint refuse.

TASK Force – Corrin noted they continue to tour businesses and there will be no meeting held in December.

Board Officials Reports:

Supervisor – Corrin noted the Road Meeting Task Force will meet December 18 to discuss how to divide federal money for road projects; there are two weekends of Santa's Village left, the Sharon Road animal problem persists with multiple incidents the past week, additionally the problems on Frandsche road and the lawn mowing issues of bank owned properties spurred the Planning Commissions to meet with Spicer at their November 7, 2012 meeting regarding ordinance language updates to add enforcement language, a proposal is before the Board for action tonight.

Clerk – Kukulis noted the election went well with a large voter turnout, 63% in Precinct 1 and 70% in Precinct 2.

Treasurer – Gross reported Winter taxes were mailed November 30 collections are coming in and Summer taxes are still being collected, she attended the County Treasurer's Association meeting November 7 a going away party for outgoing County Treasurer Barbara Mausolf was held, speaker, Ben Stone, was present and discussed changes in banking for 2013, Deputy Treasurer

Ann Buck will work December 7 and possibly a few more days to get familiar with tax collections again.

Corrin noted additions to the agenda under Unfinished Business a) Updating Zoning Ordinance and under New Business c) Town Hall Maintenance Office Lighting.

Unfinished Business:

Updating Zoning Ordinance – Corrin asked Planning Commission Chair Harold Mallory to update the Board on the Commissions recent meeting with Spicer. Mallory noted three or four areas of the zoning ordinance need to be brought up-to-date; the weed ordinance needs language for enforcement adding bank owned properties not local owned properties are the issue; the sign ordinance needs updating as recent occurrences have brought to light, and the nuisance ordinance is outdated and should additionally be looked at. A proposal, \$2,500.00, was submitted by Spicer to write the necessary changes (except changes needed to the nuisance ordinance which would be additional) which includes a representative to be at one Planning Commission meeting and at the Public Hearing. The Board discussed the necessity of these changes and where funds to pay for the changes would come from.

New Business:

Board Appointments: Corrin noted Board of Review terms of office expire at year end, he polled current members to serve again and they agreed. He added all members of the Township Board have been re-elected so they need to be re-appointed to their seats on the various township boards they serve.

New Polling Place (Precinct 1): The Board was presented a letter informing the Township the CAER Center Board has decided to no longer offer the use of the center for elections. Corrin noted a new location will need to be selected right away for future elections and asked the Board to give him their ideas prior to the January meeting. A letter thanking the CAER Center for the use of the building over the many years will be sent.

Town Hall Maintenance, Office Lighting: Corrin informed the Board of non-working lights in the Hall office area. The current lights may be able to be repaired but are already obsolete and soon replacement bulbs will not be available. He asked the Board to consider approving the replacement of ten units at a cost of \$56.00 each adding the local Ace Hardware's price was the lowest of those called for the needed units.

Extended Public Comment: None

Extended Trustee Comment: Gross noted the Board of Review will be meeting on Monday, December 10 at 6:00 p.m. to correct clerical errors, mutual mistakes of fact and omissions of Principal Residence Exemptions.

Items Approved:

- Motion by Hornak, support by Hemgesberg, to approve the November 1, 2012, Regular Meeting minutes, as presented. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hornak, to accept the proposal from Spicer to make the needed updates to the Zoning Ordinance at a cost of \$2,500.00. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrich, to re-appoint the Board of Review regular members Gary Azelton, Charles Sadilek, and Charles Weisenberger and alternate member Len Strait to a two year term expiring December 31, 2014. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Carlton, to re-appoint Trustee Hornak to the SCTOA Board, Clerk Kukulis and Trustees Hedrich and Hemgesberg to the Cemetery Committee, Trustee Carlton to the Parks and Rec Board, Treasurer Gross to the Rehmann Health Center Board, Supervisor Corrin to the Fire Board Authority, Clerk Kukulis Member and Trustee Hornak Alternate to the Mid Michigan Waste Authority Board, Supervisor Corrin and Trustee Carlton to the TASK Force Board, Trustee Hemgesberg to the Planning Commission Board and Trustee Hornak to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Gross to purchase ten (10) lighting units from Chesaning Ace Hardware at a cost of \$56.00/each to replace obsolete/malfunctioning lighting in the town hall offices. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Hemgesberg, to pay bills as presented. Bills totaled \$29,165.87. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Carlton, support by Hedrich, to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Motion Carried.

**Frances Kukulis, Clerk
Chesaning Township**