

Chesaning Township Minutes June 3, 2010

Regular Meeting

Members Present: Supervisor Robert Corrin, Clerk Sue Emmendorfer; Trustees: Kevin Carlton, William Hedrich, Peter Hemgesberg, and Ken Hornak. Absent: Treasurer Cathy Gross.

Public Comments: Circuit Judge Candidate, James Borchard, introduced himself to the board; Saginaw County District 1 Incumbent Candidate, Mike O'Hare, noted his candidacy; Ron Nietling asked the board about Wind Energy and Personal Property Taxes; later in the meeting, District 1 Commissioner Candidate, Doug Bishop, arrived and introduced himself to the board.

Committee/Board Reports:

County Commissioner Mike O'Hare – reported on Saginaw County budget cut issues; noted the Health Department still needs a director.

SCTOA – Hornak, no meeting.

Cemetery – Hemgesberg reported on the progress of the Mausoleum roof replacement, with minimal additional costs; suggested a barricade might be needed at the front of the Mausoleum, until Sharon Road is repaired; the cemetery looked great for Memorial Weekend and the American Legion Memorial Day service.

Planning – the Planning Commission will need to change the zoning of a small piece of property, which will then be reflected in the Zoning Map; new Zoning books should be available soon.

OE Officer Pat Olk – was absent but Corrin reported issues at the corner of Ferden and Frandsche, and also at Brookshire, are resolved.

Parks & Rec – Carlton reported Showboat bleachers have been given to the fairgrounds; an Eagle Scout will begin work June 12 behind Dollar Daze; Neil Pullman continues to work on the canoe and kayak race scheduled for Showboat Week; new fire rings for the campground are under consideration; the next meeting will be 6:30 p.m. July 7 in Showboat Park.

Rehmann Health Center – Gross provided a written report.

Fire Board – Corrin reported a FEMA grant is being sought for outside improvements at the fire barn; discussed MABAS and MEMAC mutual aide agreements.

MMWA – Emmendorfer reported the next MMWA meeting will be June 14; noted the commercial competition will begin in late summer.

TASK Force – Corrin reported more business visits are planned.

Supervisor – Corrin reported United Appeal collected and distributed \$26,000 to the community, with the next campaign to begin in September; noted the Showboat Week Canoe and Kayak Race will be the Tom Richardson Canoe and Kayak Race, starting at Parshallburg; Rehmann Health Center will have an Open House 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, June 11, 2010; he will attend a CenturyLink meeting 10 a.m. June 4, regarding fiber optic cable to be installed soon; State Rep. Ken Horn will have office hours 10 a.m. to noon, June 7, 2010.

Clerk – Emmendorfer reported one candidate each filed petitions for the township positions by the May 11 deadline, including Cathy Gross for Treasurer and William Hedrich for Trustee; persons wishing to run for office without party affiliation have until 4 p.m. July 15; village residents wishing to run for the three village trustee positions also have until 4 p.m. July 15, to file petitions with the township clerk; presented more township website information; the township hall control room are now in compliance with fire code; the mausoleum roof work was added to the township's liability policy, at a cost of \$37 for the year.

Treasurer – Gross provided a written report (attached).

Unfinished Business:

Roads – Corrin reported 10 yards of gravel will be needed to complete work begun last year on Ditch Road; Sharon Road is still scheduled for August; the township will consider letting bids for ditching on Ferden Road.

New Business:

Port-A-Jon for Showboat Week – the board discussed and approved a Port-A-Jon for at Parshallburg, from the Friday before through Monday morning after the Tom Richardson Canoe and Kayak Race, during Showboat Week.

MABAS Resolution – mutual aide agreement was discussed and adopted.

Wind Energy – Ken Hornak – conflicting information from Senator Kahn and the State Assessor will be considered in the hope the township will not have to charge personal property tax on residential wind turbines.

Extended Public Comment: Doug Bishop again addressed the board.

Extended Trustee Comment: Hornak asked about Wind Turbines increasing SEV; Corrin explained that they do not increase SEV, but rather the state requires them to be charged for personal property tax; any changes would require state legislation.

Approved:

*Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hornak, to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2010 Regular Meeting, as presented.

Motion Carried.

*Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrich, to adopt the MABAS Resolution as presented and recommended by the Saginaw County Fire Association. Motion Carried.

*Motion by Carlton, support by Hemgesberg, to approve bills as presented. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Hornak, Hemgesberg, Carlton, Hedrich, Emmendorfer, Corrin. No: none. Absent: Gross. Motion Carried.

Bills totaled \$42,317.19.

*Motion by Hedrich, support by Hemgesberg, to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Motion Carried.

Approved: July 1, 2010

Sue Emmendorfer, Clerk

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