

Bridgewater Township  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 7, 2009

Present: Carver, Faust, Oliver and Riley

DRAFT MINUTES

Attendance: 6

Clerk called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. All board members with 6 people attending.

**MOTION:** Moved by Carver, seconded by Oliver to appoint Faust to Chair the meeting until the supervisor arrives. Passed

**MOTION:** Moved by Carver, seconded by Riley to approve the agenda. Passed.

**MOTION:** Moved by Carver, seconded by Riley to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 2, and the Special Meeting April 6, 2009. Passed

Supervisor arrived at 7:04pm.

Treasurer's Report-Financial information is almost ready for the Auditors, not all journal entries are ready yet. Draft Statements are available. Clerk recommended that we return to biennial audits and keep the annual audit for the Sewer District only.

#### **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

A resident wants to know why does it take so long for the WCRC to come out to scrap our roads? Board reviewed the information from WCRC meeting last month.

#### **PRIORITY BUSINESS**

1. Water Resources Commission Updates. Representatives from the WRC(formerly the Washtenaw County Drain Commission)presented the current Drain Commission request and maintenance process. WASHCO GIS is a new mapping capability for county maps. Supervisor would like others to join her when she intends to go to Lansing to beg for money, as a follow up to the Grant application.
2. Township Priorities-Supervisor would like to reassess our priorities she will follow up on this in the upcoming months.
3. Village of Clinton Fire contract-Board discussed the possibility of making the Clinton Fire Department our primary Fire unit. Board discussed the possibility of contracting for police services with the Village of Clinton.

**MOTION:** Moved by Carver, seconded by Faust to accept the 2 year contract presented by the Village of Clinton for Fire Department Services.

Roll call Carver Y, Faust Y, Mull Y, Oliver Y and Riley Y. Passed

4. Zoning Ordinance Proposed Amendment-.PC to look at possible Zoning Change over the recent barns being built in the front yard. Board members would prefer to continue on replacing the ZO with a new one that is more appropriate with a rural community. A joint meeting may facilitate this.

- 5 River Raisin Watershed Council Membership-Board discussed not renewing our membership.
6. Urban County Participation-Board discussed not continuing our participation.
7. Manchester District Library Appointment-Clerk will consider.
8. Zoning Board of Appeals Opening- Clerk will follow up with T. Sippel.

#### **REPORTS**

1. Sewer Updated-Supervisor is negotiating with D. Geyer and D. Horney for sampling. **MOTION:** Moved by Oliver, seconded by Carver to have Supervisor to set up contract with D. Horney. Passed

Treasurer has placed a box for sewer payments at the Bridgewater Depot.

2. Planning Commission report given by Faust.
3. Written Reports-Mineral License Board will meet June, July and August, the seconded Tuesday of the month for annual completion of documents.

Minutes from the PC, SWWCOG and Joint Planning were in the Board Packets.

Riley reported on the WWRA Clean Up Day.

Zoning Administrator asked for some assistance on a property in the Hamlet that the owner is trying to rent. The tenant wants to use the property as an office to whole sale the re-selling of automobiles. Board tried to fit this into our Zoning Ordinance.

Supervisor left at 9:55pm.to get the written copy of the information. Board would like to facilitate more business opportunities in the Hamlet but we need to keep it within the ZO.

**MOTION:** Moved by Faust, seconded by Oliver to pay General Account bills # 8272-8302, and payroll checks totaling \$13,557.84 and Sewer Account bills #1203-1208 for \$68,171.38.

Roll call Carver Y, Faust Y, Mull absent, Oliver Y and Riley Y. Passed

Riley reported that the Bridgewater Bank is having difficulty getting their Liquor License renewed because of back taxes from the former tenant.

Supervisor returned at 10:10. Board discussed a sales office for a whole sale car dealer.

Board determined a letter stating the Sales Office was acceptable but if a Car Dealership developed the applicant would need a Special Land Use application.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

NONE

Being no further business to come before the Board, moved by Oliver, seconded by Faust to adjourn, Board approved, meeting was adjourned at 10:40 pm.

Cynthia J. Carver

Bridgewater Township Clerk