

OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Oakfield Township Board of Trustees held January 13, 2009 at 10300 14 Mile Road, Rockford, MI., was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present were: Greg Dean, Larry Parker, Linda Matz, Roger Mason, Brad Kelley, Darcia Kelley and Ken Rittersdorf.

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes of December 9, 2008 as written, offered by D. Kelley second by Parker was approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion to approve the report of fund balances as presented for December offered by Mason, second by B. Kelley was approved per a roll call vote, 7-0.

Motion to transfer \$9.00 from the Cemetery Fund to the General Fund for maintenance offered by Dean second by Matz was approved per a roll call vote 7-0

Motion to approve General Fund expenditures for the month of January 2009 in the amount of \$23,220.72 offered by D. Kelley second by Rittersdorf was approved per a roll call vote, 7-0

Motion to approve Sewer Fund expenditures for the month of January 2009 in the amount of \$1,812.15 offered by Parker, second by D. Kelley was approved per a roll call vote, 7-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- 24 runs.
- 2008 -263 runs
- 2007- 231 runs
- Townes gear was turned in on 1-8-09.

Building Department: On file.

Planning Commission: no meeting; cancel January meeting

Board of Zoning Appeals: No meeting

Zoning Administrator: On file.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Bontekoe property:** a \$500.00 fine was issued, there has been no contact from Bontekoe; another ticket in the spring if not resolved.
- **Wabasis Shores Sewer:** trying letters before lawsuit.
- **Door opener Grant:** We got the O.K. from Kent County for the installation of the openers.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Hill Top Sports;** Dean summarized the letter from Nathan & Melissa Vannest complaining about bullets coming from the Hill Top Sport's shooting area. Vannest is concerned about his family's safety, and would like to see a Township ordinance written to control the use of guns. John Larsen from Hill Top Sports informed everyone that Hill Top Sports is not an open range. Two people are taken out at a time to shoot for the CCW class; that way everything is under control. The direction of shooting has been moved to the west, with a new berm, and at this point is about 12' tall. Much discussion regarding; safety and responsibility. The range now shoots in the direction of Mike Malone's property, and he has no issues with Hill Top Sports.

Motion to have the Hill Top Shooting area overseen by the Township Supervisor and as of 1-13-2009 have the shooting in a westerly direction. As of 4-1-2009 the berm will be 15' tall with a privacy fence 24' from the berm past the line of shooting on both sides. Offered by Dean second by Rittersdorf was approved per a roll call vote 5-2, B. Kelley and Matz opposed.

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- **Kent County Solid Waste Management:** Received a request from the County to approve a resolution (# 2009-001) approving the update of their 1999 plan.

Motion approve resolution 2009-001 Solid Waste Management Plan for Kent County offered by D. Kelley second by Rittersdorf was approved per a roll call vote 6-1, Dean opposed.

- **Joseph Marckini:** Resolution for Cedar Springs Schools. Much discussion on the education of children and the new standard requirements.

Motion to support Cedar Springs education if wanted on a personal level but not as the Township Board offered by Parker second by B. Kelley approved per a voice vote. 7-0

- **Board of Review Training:**

Motion to pay for Board of Review training offered by Dean second by Matz was approved per a roll call vote 7-0

- **Budget Hearings & Approval:** Hearing Saturday March 28th @ 9 am and Budget approval March 28th @ 9:30 am.

Motion to have the Budget Hearing March 28th @ 9 am and Budget approval March 28th @ 9:30 am. offered by Dean second by Mason was approved per a roll call vote 7-0

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- None

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Dean discussed the possibility of the Honor Camp closing and suggested a resolution to continue the Honor Camp at its current location

Motion to approve resolution # 2009-002 supporting the continuation of the Honor Camp at its current location offered by Dean second by Mason was approved per a roll call vote 7-0

- Dean discussed the clean up at the Wabasis dam, The Drain Commission will take care of it from now on.
- Parker requested the Scram Lake S.A.D. will be discussed at the upcoming meeting on the 19th.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Linda L. Matz
Oakfield Township Clerk