

**Hamlin Township
Regular Board Meeting
April 12, 2011**

unapproved

Supervisor Ballard called the regular meeting of the Hamlin Township Board to order, at 6:00pm, at the township hall. Pledge to the flag was given.

ROLL CALL: D. Ballard, L. Boomer, C. Mergener, P. Bombrys, and D. Perkins present.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Approved with the addition of Building Committee, Wilson Road Bridge and Consent Agenda under new business.

SHERIFF REPORT: Eaton County Deputy T. Campbell presented the Eaton County Communications report detailing all calls to 911 from Hamlin Township. Primarily traffic incidents.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the March 8, 2011 regular meeting were reviewed. Moved by Mergener, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve the minutes as printed.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Perkins: Treasurer's report placed on file for audit.

Bombrys: Reported that the Eaton Rapids Area Parks Committee would meet April 18, 2011 at 5:30pm at Hamlin Township.

Mergener: Attended LDFA special meeting to approve purchase agreement for the property at South Industrial Park for the wind turbine manufacturing plant.

Boomer: Presented cemetery report: 2 burial(s) and 0 lot sale(s).

Ballard: Presented County correspondences. Attended the MTA Road Commission meeting on March 28, 2011. Will attend a hospital meeting on April 13, 2011. COG meets April 18, 2011 at 7pm at Hamlin Township.

ASSESSOR REPORT: No report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Hendrickson reported 6 fire responses and 13 MFR emergencies. Compressor testing and inspection is complete. Scott air pack inspection and testing is complete. Fire extinguishers inspection is also complete. New Officers are now in operation. New acting officers are in training. The Firefighters Association has purchased some new lawn equipment and is ready to begin lawn care.

FACILITIES MGR. REPORT: D. Jamieson has resigned. Board will consider the future of the position at a later date.

PARKS BOARD REPORT: Members of the Parks Board are meeting with a writer for the Community News for an article on the Parks Grant. The Governor has signed the bill for the grant to move forward. Fire Department to burn the grass/weeds along the tree line on north side of Hamlin Park. Bombrys reported that the permit application for the kayak/canoe landing at Smithville Park is being revised to comply with a reduced application fee.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Boomer presented the bills for payment. Moved by Perkins, second by Mergener, PASSED, to approve the bills to the general fund for \$5,600.07 and the cemetery for \$881.73.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Bombrys reported that he attended the MTA Road Commission meeting. Eaton County Road Commission has a tight budget. Bombrys reported that the Township might have to consider funding road projects in the future.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

DCA for 7175 E. Five Point Hwy.: G. Emfield attended to present reasons for the rezoning request. Moved by Bombrys, second by Perkins, PASSED, to support DCA-5-11-1 to change zoning of parcel 160-005-100-026-00 from Limited Agricultural to Industrial. Clerk to forward letter to County Community Development.

Dust Control: Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED, to contract with Michigan Mineral for dust control at a fee of \$70.00 for 2 treatments of 300 feet with a 5% discount given for contiguous

parcels paid for at the same time and 10% discount for roads treated from intersection to intersection paid for at the same time.

Office Equipment: Moved by Mergener, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve up to \$800.00 for the installation of a server and back-up hard drive and up to \$300.00 for new office phones.

Cemetery Foundations: Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED to add \$.10 per square inch to the price of monument foundations with the funds going to perpetual care.

Bank of Deposit: Moved by Perkins, second by Mergener to continue to use Independent Bank as the Township's bank of deposit.

Mileage Reimbursement: No motion for change. Will continue at \$.40 per mile.

Building Committee: Board will address this next month.

Wilson Road Bridge: Ballard met with the County Road Commission and Drain Commission about a grant to build the bridge. A pre-application must be completed. Moved by Mergener, second by Bombrys, PASSED, to proceed with pre-application process for Wilson Road Bridge grant if estimated cost is \$300,000.00 or less.

Consent Agenda: The Board will try out a consent agenda for future regular board meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Meeting adjourned: 7:11pm.

Laura Boomer, Hamlin Township Clerk