

**Hamlin Township
Regular Board Meeting
February 15, 2012**

approved

Supervisor Ballard called the regular meeting of the Hamlin Township Board to order, at 6:01pm, at the Hamlin Township Hall. Pledge to the flag was given.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Approved with the addition of the hall rental under unfinished business and grant resolutions under new business.

EATON COUNTY REPORT: No report.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Roll Call
- January 10, 2012 Minutes
- Treasurers Report/Budget Amendments- placed on file for audit
- Bills- General Fund \$30,682.17; Cemetery \$267.20

Moved by Mergener, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve the consent agenda.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Mergener: Attended Fire Board meeting on February 6, 2012. Fire Board recommended the hose tower enclosure bid from Menards in the amount of \$739.70 be accepted. Moved by Mergener, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve up to \$800.00 to construct a hose tower enclosure per the bid from Menards. J. Reincke and S. Black will conduct a fire department training on professionalism. The fire department would like to sell some old equipment. Chief Hendrickson will present a list to the Fire Board at their May meeting.

Bombrys: No report.

Perkins: Completed budget amendments from the same cost center.

Boomer: Presented cemetery report: 1 burial(s) and 0 lot sale(s). Reported that there was a need to purchase additional ballot bags for the upcoming elections. Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve up to \$70.00 for 2 canvas ballot bags and 1 test deck bag.

Ballard: Presented County correspondences. Reminded the board of the budget workshop will be held February 22, 2012 at 4:00pm. Attended a meeting between Eaton Rapids area government units, the ambulance service and 911 Center on February 3, 2012. A copy of the ambulance contract was received with no contract price included. There will probably be a 10% increase to cover equipment upgrades and staffing issues. Considering a public information sheet to be distributed with the summer tax bills explaining how the 911 call center operates.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Attended one Michigan Tax Tribunal and has another one scheduled. The assessment notices have been printed and will be mailed later in the week. The March Board of Review will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2012 from 9am to noon and 1:30pm to 4:30pm and on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 from 9am to noon and 6pm to 9pm to hear valuation appeals.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Hendrickson reported 11 fire responses and 12 EMS responses. Received a \$3,000.00 Grant from Par Plan Insurance for training. The Fire Board met on February 6, 2012 and discussed next year's budget. Unit 1315 has received some repairs. C. Anderson repaired a fitting and Spartan will repair the electronic panel. Ken and Nina Reeve donated a wall hanging to be hung in the township hall. FDIC will be held in Indianapolis April 16-21. Request that three personnel attend to research apparatus for future purchase. Moved by Mergener, second by Bombrys, PASSED, to approve up to \$400.00 for FDIC registration, hotel and food.

FACILITIES REPORT: Bombrys reported that the computers have been installed in the office. Two printers are not operational with the new computers. The South outside light is not operating properly. It may be a motion sensor issue.

PARKS BOARD REPORT: Bombrys reported that the area wide parks plan is moving along. The Hamlin Township Parks Board met on January 20, 2012. Next meeting will be April 5, 2012. The soccer club is meeting to discuss use of Hamlin Park.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Fire Department Hose Tower: Discussed in Mergener's report.

Hall Rental: Determined that the policy would be sent back to the committee to determine administration of use and door locks. Moved by Perkins, second by Mergener, PASSED, to approve use of the hall on March 10, 2012 per the rental agreement with any future usage subject to board approval until the policy is adopted by the board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk Salary Resolution: Moved by Perkins, second by Mergener, to adopt Resolution 2012-03 to establish the Township Clerk salary in the amount of \$20,000.00 annually plus \$500.00 per election (no change). Roll call vote: Mergener-yes, Bombrys-yes, Perkins-yes, Ballard-yes, Boomer-yes. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Supervisor Salary Resolution: Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, to adopt Resolution 2012-04 to establish the Township Supervisor salary in the amount of \$10,000.00 annually (no change). Roll call vote: Boomer-yes, Mergener-yes, Bombrys-yes, Perkins-yes, Ballard-yes. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Treasurer Salary Resolution: Moved by Mergener, second by Boomer, to adopt Resolution 2012-05 to establish the Township Treasurer salary in the amount of \$20,500.00 annually (no change). Roll call vote: Ballard-yes, Boomer-yes, Mergener-yes, Bombrys-yes, Perkins-yes. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Election Workers and Meals: Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve Gary Halsey, Linda Montague, Lucinda Staszuk, Norma Binkowski, Nina Reeve and Dave Ballard as election inspectors for the February 28, 2012 Presidential Primary and up to \$100.00 for election inspector meals.

Eaton County Text Amendment: Moved by Mergener, second by Bombrys, PASSED, to support proposed text amendment DCA-3-12-1. Boomer to send letter to Planning Commission.

MCM Grant Application Resolution: Moved by Mergener, second by Boomer, to adopt Resolution 2012-06 to approve MCM Insurance grant application for \$3,000.00 to purchase fire department training materials. Roll call vote: Perkins-yes, Bombrys-yes, Mergener-yes, Boomer-yes, Ballard-yes. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

DNR Grant Acceptance Resolution: Moved by Mergener, second by Boomer, to adopt Resolution 2012-07 to accept DNR grant for \$2606.25 with a 50% match to purchase a new portable tank, hoses and nozzles. Roll call vote: Bombrys-yes, Boomer-yes, Perkins-yes, Mergener-yes, Ballard-yes. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: The code enforcement position was eliminated and the County is still determining how to deal with complaints. They are asking that the complainant send pictures of the property.

Meeting adjourned: 7:23pm.

Laura Boomer, Hamlin Township Clerk