

**Hamlin Township
Regular Board Meeting
July 11, 2012**

approved

Trustee Mergener called the regular meeting of the Hamlin Township Board to order, at 6:00, at the Hamlin Township Hall. Pledge to the flag was given.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Approved as printed.

AUDITOR REPORT: Auditor Robert Carpenter was present and summarized the audit report for fiscal year ending March 31, 2012.

EATON COUNTY REPORT: No Sheriff report. Commissioner Whittum reported that Eaton County Public works is looking at changes to the definition of a home business. Explained that the area drains are low and fish are beginning to die because of the water level- there is no chemical issue. He fielded questions in reference to the new fireworks law.

CHARLOTTE LIBRARY REPORT: Representatives of the Charlotte Community Library were present and displayed some of the renovations being done to the library. They reported that the library is experiencing a decrease in funding due to a decrease in penal fines and state funding. Hamlin Township residents can currently use the library free of charge. The township does not contribute funds over and beyond penal fines and state aid. They asked that the township board consider additional funding options.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Roll Call- Ballard, Bombrys absent and excused.
- June 13, 2012 Minutes
- Treasurers Report/Budget Amendments- placed on file for audit

Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve the consent agenda without the bills.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Boomer requested that the amount for the resurfacing of the cemetery drive, \$4,300.00 to Hayhoe, be included in the distribution report so payment can be made upon receipt of the invoice. Perkins requested that a \$5,000.00 transfer to the cemetery be added to the general fund distribution report. Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve the bills to the general fund for \$56,818.00 and the cemetery for \$6,800.65.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Perkins: Reported that the Summer 2012 tax bills have been mailed.

Boomer: Presented cemetery report: 0 burial(s) and 0 lot sale(s). Reported that COG has been rescheduled for July 30, 2012 at 7:00pm at the City of Eaton Rapids. Presented County correspondence.

Mergener: Attended LDFA meeting on 6/15/2012. Reported that LDFA adopted a resolution updating the Authority Plan.

ASSESSOR REPORT: No report

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Hendrickson reported 10 fire responses and 9 EMS responses. Announced two new firefighters: C. Lewis and C. Crippen. FD assisted with 4th of July fireworks. The Fire Apparatus Committee has begun to meet with manufacturers. The exit sign in the township has been replaced to comply with state law. Eng. Anderson has completed repairs to #1315. The Fire Board will meet August 6, 2012 at 7:00pm. Steve Scarlett has resigned from the Fire Board. Mergener expressed gratitude on behalf of Roger Harris and the 4th of July Committee for the Fire Department's help with the fireworks.

FACILITIES REPORT: No report.

PARKS BOARD REPORT: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Election Workers and Meals: Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve Linda Montague, Lucinda Staszuk, Norma Binkowski, Judy Walker, Jennifer Ottney, Nancy Stucker and Dave Ballard as election inspectors for the August 7, 2012 Primary Election and to approve up to \$130.00 for election inspector meals.

Text Amendment Request DCA-8-12-4: Moved by Perkins, second by Boomer, PASSED, to support proposed text amendment DCA-8-12-4. Boomer to send letter to Planning commission.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: K. Hendrickson requested the Board adopt a resolution for a charitable gaming license for the Hamlin Township Firefighters Association. Moved by Boomer, second by Perkins, to adopt Resolution 2012-12 to recognize the Hamlin Township Firefighters Association as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license. Roll call vote: Boomer- yes, Perkins- yes, Mergener-yes. Mergener declared the resolution adopted.

Meeting adjourned: 6:57pm.

Laura Boomer, Hamlin Township Clerk