

**Hamlin Township
Regular Board Meeting
May 8, 2012**

unapproved

Supervisor Ballard called the regular meeting of the Hamlin Township Board to order at 6:01pm and the Area Wide Park Plan Public Hearing at 6:03, at the Hamlin Township Hall. Pledge to the flag was given.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Approved as printed with the addition of the Wilson Road Bridge under new business.

EATON COUNTY REPORT: County Commissioner J. Whittum reported that the County estimates a \$1.5 million deficit starting October 1, 2012, primarily because of the decrease in property taxes. There will be an additional \$110,000.00 deficit if the Michigan Legislature repeals personal property taxes. The DNR Trust Fund received the grant request for the Crandall property.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Roll Call
- April 11, 2012 Minutes
- Treasurers Report/Budget Amendments- placed on file for audit

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Boomer reported that the invoices for the carpet cleaning; the parking area and the soccer field came in over the amount approved at the April 11, 2012 meeting. The invoices are within the amount budgeted:

- Hall cleaning- Approved \$150.00; invoice totals \$160.00
- Parking lot- Approved up to \$5,500.00; invoices total \$6,856.00
- Hamlin park soccer field- Approved up to \$5,000.00; invoices total \$5,403.20

Moved by Perkins, second by Boomer to approve the bills to the general fund for \$28,975.69 and the cemetery for \$1,692.20.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Mergener: Attended Fire Board meeting on 5/7/2012. The Fire Board recommended an amendment to the contract with Brookfield Township for fire protection. Brookfield has already approved the amendment. Moved by Bombrys, second by Perkins, PASSED, to approve the amendment to the contract with Brookfield Township. The Fire Board also recommended that the Fire Department sell a few items no longer used at a garage sale held by FF. Hither. Moved by Perkins, second by Mergener, PASSED, to approve the disposal of old equipment at FF Hiither's garage sale and a generator on Craigslist. Asst. Chief Janz to establish a Captains schedule.

Bombrys: No report.

Perkins: Consumers Energy has requested to use the hall for an informational meeting for township residents. It has been booked at no cost.

Boomer: Presented cemetery report: 0 burial(s) and 0 lot sale(s). Reported that Accident Fund has determined that the Township must carry workers compensation insurance on Bob Baker. The invoice was included in the bills. Boomer will contact insurance for employment guidelines for Baker's employees.

Ballard: No report.

ASSESSOR REPORT: No Report

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Hendrickson reported 2 fire responses and 10 EMS responses. Attended Fire Board meeting on May 7, 2012. Three members attended FDIC in April. Engineer training was held on May 6, 2012. A CPR certification class will be held on May 12, 2012 from 9am to 11am in the fire training room. Capt. Grivins has resigned and Michelle Crippen is acting as interim Captain.

FACILITIES REPORT: Bombrys reported that the office carpet and chairs have been cleaned. The Parking area is complete. The Garden Club has been asked to design the landscaping on the south side of the building.

PARKS BOARD REPORT: Bombrys reported that the soccer field has been hydro seeded. The Hamlin Park trails have been marked and are ready to be cleared. The DNR did not change the property value for the grant. Representative Shirkey has been contacted for assistance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Thomas Sullivan announced his candidacy for a Hamlin Township Trustee position.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Pavement: Moved by Mergener, second by Bombrys, to approve up to \$960.00 to AJ's for crack repair at the cemetery; up to \$5,500.00 to McKearney Asphalt to repair the s-curve at the cemetery with \$1,000.00 from contingency; up to \$38,400.00 to McKearney Asphalt to repair the Township Hall drive and parking lot; up to \$2,200.00 to Risner Excavating to prepare a defective area of drive for asphalt. The motion was withdrawn.

NEW BUSINESS:

July 4th Donation/City of Eaton Rapids: Moved by Mergener, second by Boomer, PASSED, to approve \$300.00 to the Eaton Rapids 4th of July Celebration.

Tax Receipting Program: Moved by Perkins, second by Mergener, PASSED, to approve \$959.00 to purchase the Pontem Tax Administration program.

Adjourn Public Hearing, Area Wide Park Plan: 7:40

Wilson Road Bridge: Moved by Mergener, second by Bombrys, PASSED, to accept the contract with Eaton County Road Commission to replace Wilson Road Bridge at a cost up to \$46,200.00. Bombrys to follow-up with the Road Commission about alternatives to repair Holmes Road.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Bombrys is taking old electronics to Eaton County for recycling on May 10, 2012. Candidacy announcements:

- Jeremy Whittum- County Commissioner District 14
- Roger Harris- County Commissioner District 15
- Becky Henne- Hamlin Township Trustee
- Matthew Gleeson- Hamlin Township Trustee
- Laura Boomer- Hamlin Township Clerk
- Denise Perkins- Hamlin Township Treasurer
- Phil Bombrys- Hamlin township Supervisor

Meeting adjourned: 7:57pm.

Laura Boomer, Hamlin Township Clerk