

## **ROLLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING**

### **September 9, 2009**

Supervisor Jenkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Members present were Supervisor Jenkins, Clerk Gust, Treasurer Willett, and Trustees McGrath and Wilson. Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to accept the agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried. Motion by McGrath, support by Wilson to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2009 meeting as mailed. All aye, motion carried. Motion by McGrath, support by Willett to accept the disbursements as presented. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Gust, support by Wilson to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, subject to audit. All aye, motion carried. Correspondence was read from the Horton Beach property owners regarding installation of a new street light, drainage problem on Elm St, and a letter from the DEQ regarding the installation of a seawall on Devils Lake, built without a permit. Citizen's comments were heard regarding the LPL project involving hand removal of some milfoil from Devils Lake.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were five appeals, 2 granted with compromise, 2 denied as presented, and one approved as per application. Assessor continues to work on the re-assessment of homes with transfers of ownership and foreclosures. Building Inspector reports 13 inspections. Electrical Inspector reports 9 inspections and 1 registration. Posey Lake Drain Board will hold an assessment board of review September 17 from 4 pm – 8 pm at the Rollin Township Hall to hear comments regarding the special assessments. Posey Lake sewer reports that Consumers Energy and the county's lawyers met today. Fire Board reports has taken delivery of the new ambulance and it will be ready for use in about 4 weeks. The next meeting will be September 13, 2009 at 8:00 pm. Rollin Township is charged with 17 calls for the month of July. A regional grant of \$493310 was received requiring matching funds of 10%. This will be used by the fire department to purchase a training burn structure and a drive simulator. We need to bore a hole at the park to allow installation of new basketball hoop. Planning Commission recommends approval of a special use permit for Russell, and set the public hearing for Bennett property rezoning for October 6, 2009. The meeting with Tim Anderson will be rescheduled. Zoning wants clarification on the special use permits. Transfer station revenues still holding. Zoning Enforcement inspected 10 sites, and performed 4 footer inspections for the month of August. Website reports 4576 hits for August, a decrease from July, but usage is still up 68% overall. Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to accept the consent agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Road Commission has forwarded the request for removal of no parking signs at Sandy Beach Road to the state police for review.

There was no motion to revisit Peach Tree Court situation until the DEQ permit request is remedied. We will follow up in October.

Township development committee requests another year to allow follow up on more ideas, such as local festivals. Motion by Gust, support by Wilson to extend the committee for a period of one year ending September 2010. All aye, motion carried. Farmers market is averaging eight vendors per week, with \$1200 – \$1500 in revenue per week. They have collected \$580, and have \$451.85 remaining to use for advertising next year. The farmers market would like to thank the township for providing the grounds for the start up this year. Jenkins commented this is not a township market, and it might be time to establish an organization to run the market in the future.

The Road Commission has requested the name change on Hallenbeck Hwy start at E Ferndale due to the numbering system being fairly consistent south of E Ferndale. Motion by Wilson, support by

Willett to approve the designation of N. Hallenbeck Hwy from E. Ferndale north, and S Hallenbeck Hwy from E Ferndale to the south. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Wilson, support by Gust to table the bids for the park and transfer station brush removal until October. All aye, motion carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Wilson, support by Gust to approve the following as Township depositories: Key Bank, United Bank & Trust, Flagstar, Huntington, First Federal, American 1 Federal Credit Union, TLC Credit Union, Onsted State Bank, Blissfield State Bank, Bank of America, and Community Bank of Hillsdale. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Wilson, support by Gust to allow LPL to use the hall the first Wednesday of each month. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to allow Gust family to use the hall September 12, 2009 for a bridal shower. All aye, motion carried.

Board comments were heard regarding the milfoil assessment. Collection is at 30% and right on track for a last deposit date of Sept 29, 2009. Any assessment not paid then will be turned into the county for inclusion on the winter tax bill. Wilson questioned the status of Manitou Road Bridge. The expected delivery date is in October.

Citizen's comments were heard regarding enforcement of 25 mile per hour speed limit on Hallenbeck Hwy north of E Ferndale and a request to have the state investigate raising the speed limit on Hallenbeck Hwy. between Sandy Beach Road and East Ferndale. The township needs to request a speed study.

Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to have the clerk contact the Road Commission requesting that Hallenbeck Hwy be reviewed for a possible increase in speed limit between Sandy Beach Road and E Ferndale. All aye, motion carried. The channel between the lakes needs cleaning again. It is impassable under the bridge. Drain Commission was to be here Friday, but they will look this week and advise the township on necessary work to be completed.

Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to adjourn at 8:05 pm. All aye, motion carried.

Sharon M. Gust  
Rollin Township Clerk