

## ROLLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

January 11, 2012

Supervisor Jenkins called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm. Members present were Supervisor Jenkins, Clerk Gust, Treasurer Willett, and Trustees McGrath and Wilson. Jenkins requested adding item #2: New Business, Grant application at Park. Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to accept the agenda as amended. All aye, motion carried. Motion by McGrath, support by Willett to accept the minutes of December 14, 2011 as presented. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to accept the disbursements as presented. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Gust, support by Wilson to accept the Treasurers report as presented, subject to audit. All aye, motion carried. Correspondence was read from the Road Commission, Representative Jenkins regarding Senate Bill 778, and a request from the residents at Little Round Lake to pave the shoulder of Forrester Road at Sunset Drive. There were no Citizen's comments.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no appeals. Assessor reports working on the roll for 2012. Building Inspector reports 7 inspections. Electrical Inspector reports 12 inspections. Cemetery had a tree fall on some markers, it has been removed and the markers will be re-sealed to their foundations in the spring. Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to remove the dead ash at the cemetery at a cost of 480.00. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried. The Veteran's monument is ready for delivery when the ground firms up. Fire Board reports Rollin Township is charged with 20 calls for the month of November. The metal roof has been installed on the training center, and the Chief is looking for a jeep with a snow plow to maintain the parking lot at station 3. The 2006 ambulance will be the first to be refurbished. Park had no report. Planning Commission will meet on the 19th. Transfer Station office floor is almost finished. Zoning Enforcement reports 7 inspections: 3 site reviews, and 4 placement inspections. Website reports 7687 hits for December, down 3400 from November. Most visited pages were Planning commission, board minutes, and History. Sign committee reports bids are coming in, but the costs seem rather high. Motion by McGrath, support by Willett to accept the consent agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

The board discussed the proposed Ordinance regarding the use of public access sites and road ends. There was discussion from the public regarding the possibility of publishing draft ordinances. The board will address this proposed ordinance at the February meeting.

The application for a passport grant requires a document that the board approves the application. Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to grant approval to the supervisor to apply for a Passport grant from the State of Michigan for Lookout and/or Tibbs Park. All aye, motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS

Noxious weed ordinance as originally written was not in compliance with the law. The board will review and discuss next meeting.

Jenkins would like to establish a committee for the dedication of the Veteran's monument. Jenkins would like to appoint Hawkins as Chairman, with members Tim Miller, Jeff Patterson, Sharon Gust and Ray McGrath. The committee will organize the dedication of the memorial at the cemetery on May 19, 2012.

Jenkins would like to recommend making private offices due to the difficulty hearing when other conversations are going on in the office. In the past, he has brought residents to the main room to have discussions. He recommends partitioning the office into 3 separate offices. Wilson and Gust believe this should be considered.

Board comments: The treasurer requests approval to purchase a new printer. Motion by Wilson, support by Gust to allow the treasurer to spend up to \$450 on a new laser printer to replace the existing printer. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, Jenkins – yes. Motion carried. Wilson updated the board on the total amount of septage hauled into the wastewater treatment plant in 2011. Jenkins will have limited office hours for the next few weeks to allow him the time needed to complete the grant request.

Citizen's comments were heard regarding weed ordinance. The DNR and DEQ are asking townships to allow taller weeds, grasses, and flowers within 15 feet of the water's edge to help filter the rainwater runoff, assisting in keeping more nutrients out of the lakes.

Motion by Wilson, support by Gust to adjourn at 8:10 PM. All aye, motion carried.

Sharon M. Gust  
Rollin Township Clerk