

ROLLIN TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

May 12, 2010

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. Agenda amended to include Hillsdale Co. Road Commission bid on Addison Road, and a tree on Elm Park. Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to accept the minutes of the April 14, 2010 meeting as mailed. All aye, motion carried. Motion by McGrath, support by Wilson to accept the minutes of April 17, 2010 Assessment Hearing as mailed. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Willett, support by McGrath 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 Farmers market, Bruce Caswell, Cameron Brown, and the County Drain Commission. Citizen's comments were heard regarding regulations of using the township hall.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were two appeals, one granted with compromise and one denied. Assessor reports July Board of Review will be July 20, 2010 at 5 pm for the correction of errors to the roll. Building Inspector reports 17 inspections. Electrical Inspector reports 3 inspections. Fire Board reports Rollin Township is charged with 17 calls for the month of March. There will be no EMT class at this time due to lack of interest. Paramedic class will start in September. Planning Commission will hold their next meeting May 13, 2010. Transfer Station is averaging \$200 per weekend. Zoning Enforcement reports 7 site reviews, 3 footing inspections and 2 post hole inspections. Website reports 5648 hits for April, an increase of 417 from March. Damage at the park has been repaired, but more ruts have been made. Wilson suggests posts be installed along driveway. Cost would be approximately \$6.99 for each 8 ft cedar post, and the twp will need about 40 posts. Wilson will investigate further. Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to allow installation of a porta-potty for the summer at the park. All aye, motion carried. Pole, backboard and rim are at the transfer station awaiting installation at park. Wilson and McGrath will work on it. Motion by McGrath, support by Wilson to accept the consent agenda. All aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

No action on civil infractions.

Farmers market board requests use of township hall parking lot for the 2010 season. It was suggested last month that they consider moving to the park. They prefer the township hall. McGrath indicated that much money has been spent on the park to make it user friendly: installing pavilion, seeding, new benches, asphalt and power. McGrath feels the park would be ideal for the farmers market. Gust agrees. This would help relieve congestion at the township hall. Gust stated policy allows non profits and taxpayers to use the hall, and the farmers market is not a non-profit. Jenkins requests parking be reserved for township employees. Motion by Willett, support by Wilson to allow the farmers market to use the township hall parking lot for the 2010 season. Wilson – yes, McGrath – no, Willett – yes, Gust – no, Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Jenkins questions the contract language that will require ½ payment up front as townships are usually exempt from this type of language. Funds are guaranteed available on a time and material basis. Research indicates suction harvesting will work better than weevils in the dock and high traffic areas. Due to a short timeline to allow weevils to be planted after the harvesting, McGrath requests we can work around the problem of ½ down. Willett would like to advance only 1/3 of payment. Motion by McGrath, support by Wilson to sign the contract as presented from Aquacleaner

Environmental, LLC for Round Lake suction harvesting. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried. .

Motion by Wilson, support by McGrath to accept the contract from Aquacleaner Environmental, LLC to use suction harvesting in Devils Lake at a cost not to exceed \$9,000. Wilson – yes, McGrath - yes Willett – yes, Gust - yes, and Jenkins - yes. Motion carried.

A board of determination hearing was held to allow extension of the current south branch of River Raisin. There were no costs given at this hearing. It will be funded by special assessment. Five townships are in the district. Residents were against the extension by a 3 to 1 ratio. Dover Township has asked if we would like to join their appeal. Total cost is \$150, we would pay a portion. There is a deadline of May 20, 2010 for this appeal. Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to join with Dover Township in making an appeal to district court in protest of South branch of the Raisin River and include \$30 towards the cost. Wilson – yes, Willett – yes, McGrath –yes, Gust – yes and Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by McGrath, support by Gust to allow the Devils and Round Lakes fireworks committee to present a fireworks display on July 4, 2010 with a rain date of July 5. All aye, motion carried.

Sexton requests renewal of special use permit which will allow them to change the address on their dealer's license to allow them to deal as a used car and used parts dealer. Motion by Willett, support by McGrath to allow a renewal of special use permit for Sexton on Burton Road. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Willett, support by Gust to purchase a flagpole with an internal halyard and a solar light for the cemetery. Cost of installation will be discussed with the park post installation. Wilson – yes, McGrath – yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, Jenkins – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Gust, support by Willett to allow Jenkins to attend MTA seminar on policy writing on June 14, 2010 with a cost of \$89. Wilson – yes, McGrath- yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins – yes, Motion carried.

Motion by Gust, support by Willett to allow the Land and Lake Ladies club to use the hall on May 19, 2010 at 7 pm. All aye, motion carried. Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to allow the group to use the hall on May 29, 2010 from 10 – 12noon. Four aye, one opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Wilson, support by Willett to allow the McKnight family to use the hall June 13 from 1 - 4 pm. All aye, motion carried.

Hillsdale county road commission has offered to pave the ¼ mile of Addison Road between 127 and the county line with Woodstock and Rollin sharing the cost. Cost is estimated to be \$4800 to each twp. Motion by McGrath, support by Willett to approve the request by the road commission to complete the Addison road project. Wilson – yes, McGrath - yes, Willett – yes, Gust – yes, and Jenkins –yes. Motion carried.

Dead tree on Elm Park at Round Lake end needs to be removed. Adjoining property owner would like the tree removed by the township. Jenkins will locate property corner stakes to determine if it is on the township lot, and then seek bids for removal of tree.

There were no board comments. Citizens' comments were heard thanking board for support of farmers market, and ladies club; and a thank you from Aquacleaner Inc for the support. A question was raised regarding the possibility of a conflict of interest with Gary Marzolf as head of LPL and owner of a company receiving the contract. Marzolf will be resigning from LPL board in July. Gilhouse announced his candidacy for county commission.

Motion by McGrath, support by Gust to adjourn at 9:00 pm. All aye, motion carried.

Sharon M. Gust
Rollin Township Clerk