

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting of April 9, 2007

12050 Old Belding Road

Call to Order/Roll Call

Supervisor Frank Force called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed

Board Members Present

Supervisor Frank Force , Clerk Jim Fues , Treasurer Sabrina Freeman , and Trustee Paul Knoerl

Board Members Absent - Trustee Dennis Heffron , excused

Approval of Agenda

J. Fues moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the agenda as amended. All Ayes

Officers Report

March 1, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes

J. Fues moved and S. Freeman supported to approve the March 1, 2007 Special meeting minutes as written. All Ayes

March 12, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes

J. Fues moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the March 12, 2007 Regular meeting minutes as written. All Ayes

March 15, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes

J. Fues moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the March 15, 2007 Special meeting minutes as written. All Ayes

Accounts Payable

J. Fues moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve the accounts payable in amount of \$38,786.59 (Check #31034 - 31064) All Ayes

Consent Agenda

P. Knoerl moved and J. Fues supported to approve the Consent Agenda. All Ayes

Public Comments

No public comments

Department Reports

Fire Department

For the month of March, 2007 there were 2 fires, 6 medicals, 2 trainings, 2 meetings and 1 non fire totaling 13. Total for 2006/2007 fiscal year was 236.

Fire Administration Safety Committee

Supervisor F. Force reported the meeting discussion was on Homeland Grant application, school crossing and the new cadet.

Zoning Officer Report

Supervisor F. Force reported that Mr. Grile has a hearing on April 26, 2007.

Safety Board of Appeals

No meeting

Sewer Report

Supervisor F. Force reported the prints and books for mechanical upgrade bids went out today.

Planning Commission

No Meeting

Zoning Board of Appeals

(See Minutes Dated March 21, 2007)

Building Department Monthly Report for March 2007

Issued 4 building permits, two for new homes, one storage building and one cell tower co-location. There was one electric permit, 3 mechanical permits and 2 plumbing permits issued.

Old Business

Fertilizer Ordinance

Board reviewed revised draft of ordinance. The ordinance would prohibit use of fertilizers with phosphorous in them in lake drainage area of most lakes in Grattan Township . Commercial applicators will be required to register at Township offices annually in order to apply fertilizer to properties around lakes. Board agreed to proceed with getting estimates from three bidders on the development of lake drainage maps for ordinance.

New Business

Fireman Cadet

F. Force moved and P. Knoerl supported to approve hiring of Mark Visser as a New Fire Cadet. All Ayes

Multiple Application Fees

Board agreed to keep fees schedule the same and evaluate in the future.

Fireworks Permit

P. Knoerl moved and supported to approve the permit for Great Lakes Fireworks for fireworks to be held at Grattan Raceway on May 5, 2007. Contingent on receiving a copy of insurance certificate from Allied Specialty Insurance. All Ayes

Culligan Quotes

Board approved purchase of water filters from Culligan for Township office and Fire Station. This will help control problems of solids in water at both locations.

Office Interior Renovation

F. Force moved and J. Fues supported to accept the bid from Excel Office Interiors to revise office layout for \$1,115.00. All Ayes

Siegfried/Crandall Annual Audit

J. Fues moved and P. Knoerl supported to renew the contract with Siegfried & Crandall to do our annual audit and for fee not to exceed \$11,800.

Board Member Communications

Meeting Dates

May 14, 2007, 7:00 p.m. Next Regular Board Meeting

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Jim Fues, Township Clerk Date

Franklin J. Force, Township Supervisor Date

Recording Secretary,

Monica Burt