

SHARON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
December 1, 2011 (Approved)

The Sharon Township Board held its regular Board meeting on Thursday, December 1, 2011. Aiuto called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. Board members present: Aiuto, Psarouthakis, Simons and Spiegel. There were fourteen (14) public attendees present.

The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Spiegel, supported by Psarouthakis to amend and approve the 11/3/11 minutes. Motion carried.

There was no public comments and/or questions.

Motion by Spiegel, supported by Simons to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Treasurer Simons reported that he had received 10 summer taxes. He also reported that the Township would be accepting tax payments at TCF in Chelsea and Citizens Bank in Manchester. He stated that he left the other three bank accounts open for now just in case a resident made a payment there. After the winter tax collection, he would be closing the three accounts. All Board members agreed that there were too many tax collection accounts. Simons distributed the Treasurer's report for October. Motion made by Psarouthakis, supported by Spiegel to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator, Dave Wilson reported the following activity for November: issued no zoning permits, there were no complaints, no land splits, no new signs and no new addresses. Wilson to address the mobile home fees with Durussel Farms and give the Board results at the next meeting.

Bill Lewis reported that the Planning Commission was reviewing the zoning ordinance and did not have the updates from 2010. He reported that they needed to touch up various ordinances and inquired again about Perdu & Associates reviewing over the zoning ordinance to bring it up to date with the Zoning Ordinance Enabling Act. Lewis estimated the cost to be around \$600.00 to \$800.00 for the review.

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Aiuto reported that the ZBA had no meeting in October.

Jim Hopkins, chair of the Mineral Licensing Board reported that the MLB had no meeting but he met with Tim Osborne of Fifty-two Minerals, LLC and that they were finalizing the last few details (which they had a list of items that needed to be taken care of) regarding their surety bond for reclamation. Hopkins reported that Mr. Osborne didn't want a percentage of the bond to get paid to the bank every year and was looking at offering other options. Hopkins also reported that DLZ Engineering would be sending their application electronically to Hopkins which will be more convenient to look at maps, etc. instead of the paper copy in the file. Hopkins stated that he had received no information yet regarding Farmer Sand & Gravel's new operation.

Dennis Dieckman stated that gravel trucks were using Kothe Road. Hopkins to contact Freedom Township.

Spiegel gave the CACA 's report (see attachment).

Spiegel reported that SWWCOG was looking at working on consolidating 5 township ordinances; that they needed a new representative for WATS; that PDR money is still available; that the Village was not renewing their contract with Western Washtenaw recycling and that M-DOT would begin their project in April 2012.

Old Business

The Board to discuss the draft Hazmat Ordinance at the next meeting when all the changes have been made and all members are present.

Psarouthakis reported that he had been dealing with the County regarding the drain invoices. He reported that an email was sent asking to split the difference since they were unable to produce adequate documentation that in fact "they were due". He reported that they have not responded yet to his request.

The Board discussed the front porch steps. Psarouthakis received an estimate from Brad McTaggart for \$600.00 for a temporary fix to get through the winter due to it being a safety issue. Motion by Psarouthakis, supported by Spiegel to accept the proposal. Motion carried.

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Spiegel reported that the Carbonate was installed on all the computers and that it was working both locally and online.

Simons reported that he had obtained an estimate to update the website. It would cost \$1,000.00 for a new site; \$50.00/hour for any work or instruction on how to maintain it ourselves.

New Business

Board discussed to place action items to the end of the minutes.

Spiegel inquired about a space heater for the office. Motion by Psarouthakis, supported by Simons for Spiegel to purchase a space heater not to exceed \$100.00. Motion carried.

Spiegel reported that she attended a records management course. It was discussed that an inventory needed to be done to assess all the Township's records and to which ones needed to be disposed.

Aiuto reported that the Township audit went well and had distributed the report to all the Board members.

Aiuto reported that the election went well and that Psarouthakis and Simons were official. The public inquired about them taking the oath of office. Aiuto reported that they had already been given the oath but would call Washtenaw County for verification.

After review of the bills, motion by Psarouthakis, supported by Spiegel to approve all bills as presented. Motion carried.

Reno Feldkamp stated that he was very concerned about the recycling bins at Wacker's and that they were poorly labeled. Psarouthakis to call Modern Waste.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Teri L. Aiuto, Sharon Township Clerk

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Top 5 ordinances to consolidate with other Townships. Contact Spiegel by 12/31/11;
2. Heater for the office-Spiegel;
3. Hazmat Ordinance-Frey;
4. Quotes for website-Psarouthakis and Spiegel;
5. Mobile Home fee dispute-Wilson;
6. M-DOT regarding trees-Wilson;
7. Gravel Trucks using Kothe Road. Contact Freedom Township-Hopkins;
8. Oath-Aiuto
9. E-Mail and State Retention schedule-Spiegel
10. Contact Modern Waste-Psarouthakis