

SHARON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
March 4, 2010

The Sharon Township Board held its regular Board meeting on Thursday, March 4, 2010. Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Board members present: Aiuto, Chizmar, Jones, Lavender and Yordanich. There were (10) ten guests present.

The Board said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jones asked if there were any public comments and/or questions. Dennis Dieckman requested that the office hours and the time and dates of all the township meetings be posted on the website. Yordanich stated that her hours needed to be changed and that Chizmar's needed to be posted.

Motion by Lavender, supported by Chizmar to approve the 2/4/10 minutes. Motion carried.

Yordanich reported that TekCollect had collected for 10 fire runs since July 2009. She reported that she had invoiced for thirty-six runs, collected on seven runs and submitted one to TekCollect, which was collected. Yordanich distributed a hardship case letter to the Board asking that the fire run fee be waived. The Board tabled the decision until the next meeting.

Fred Lucas' collection letter was reviewed and discussed. Motion by Lavender, supported by Aiuto to use Lucas' collection letter if any fire run invoice is 30 days old and has not been paid. Motion carried. Aiuto inquired about using a fire run invoice/payment spreadsheet to track the information. Yordanich will put one together.

The Treasurer reported that as of January 30, 2010, the general account had a balance of \$255,109.50. Motion made by Chizmar, supported by Lavender to approve the Treasurer's report for January 2010. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator, Dave Wilson reported the following activity for February issued one zoning permit, there were no new complaints, no land splits, and no new addresses.

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Bill Lewis reported that the Planning Commission was reviewing over the amendments from Erin Perdu and that a Public Hearing was set for March 18, 2010 at 8:00 P.M. for zoning ordinance amendments.

Jones reported that he had no new Mineral Licensing Board updates.

Aiuto reported that the ZBA had no January meeting.

Chizmar reported that he had no Chelsea Area Construction Authority updates.

Jones reported that he had received a letter from Lucas dated February 12, 2010 stating the final judgment was \$163,715.33 for Gourley's attorney fees, expert witness fees and litigation expenses.

Jones reported that he would be sending out a mass mailing explaining the Gourley matter from beginning to end and the process the Township needed to follow. He reported that the residents would be able to vote on how to pay for the judgment at the August 2010 election.

Dennis Dieckman inquired if the land was in the Township's name and how much was Fred Lucas' bill? Jones replied that the land was in the Township's name and that the Township had not received a bill from Lucas yet.

Greg Zielinski asked if Fred Lucas was the attorney who lead the Township through the process from beginning to end? Jones answered "yes".

Zielinski stated that he had discussed the matter with some Bloomfield Hills attorneys and that they asked if and why didn't the Township have an insurance rider before Lucas tried the endeavor?

Dennis Dieckman asked "what did he advise the Board in the beginning?" Jones reported that Lucas told him that he did not make any recommendations.

Jones stated that he will have Lucas review the newsletter before he mails it out.

Jim Mann stated that the newsletter should discuss fire runs and recommend that the Township residents call their insurance carriers to purchase a rider on their policies.

Jones reported that Doug Jones gave the Township a verbal agreement for an easement to the Gourley property.

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Dieckman inquired about the liability regarding the land and if the remainder of the Gourley land should be reassessed to \$30,000/acre since that is the amount the Township paid for the land.

Jones reminded all the guests that the Board of Review would be held on March 8, 2010 and March 9, 2010.

The Board discussed the printer purchase. Yordanich will take a Township check to Best Buy and purchase a printer for no more than \$500.00 per the last meeting.

The proposal from Jobs by Reinhart was discussed. It stated that it was the same price as last year, \$53.00/mow for Sharon Valley and Heim Road cemeteries and \$145.00/mow for the Sharon Township Hall cemetery and yard. Motion by Aiuto, supported by Chizmar to accept the proposal. Motion carried.

Aiuto stated that she would not be able to attend the April meeting. Aiuto discussed the letter from Citizens Bank and Yordanich stated that she had taken care of the matter. Aiuto reported that she had received a Metro Act Right of Way Permit Extension from AT&T and that she would pass it on to Lucas for his review.

After review of the bills, motion by Lavender, supported by Chizmar to approve all bills as presented and table the River Raisin Watershed invoice until the next meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 P.M.

Teri L. Aiuto, Sharon Township Clerk