

GERRISH TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
December 8, 2009

Regular meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Center. Present: Supervisor Homola, Clerk Valentino, Trustee Long and Trustee Link. Absent: Treasurer Tulgetske. Also present: 19 residents.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA:

Correspondence: Change (j) to 18 total emails received

New Business: 12. Recommendation to hire Scott Yaek as PT in training EMT/Fire 13. Parcel Split request for Property# 004-002-013-0035 14. Officer Burmester's resignation 15. Replacement of open police officer position

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Open: 7:32 p.m., no comments. Closed: 7:33 p.m. Reopened: 8:14pm

1) Concerns expressed regarding Roscommon County Road Commission winter 2010 salt usage and road plowing plan 2) Discussion regarding Waste Management yard waste services. Question as to the cost effectiveness of this service for the Township 3) Waste Management winter service plans

Closed: 8:20 p.m.

Motion by Link, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Consent Agenda is approved as presented.

REPORTS:

1. Trustee Link a) ACT-NOW special meetings 11/2 and 11/9 b) RCRC meeting 11/12 c) Annual ACT-NOW dinner and auction 11/16 d) Several meetings regarding Shop With a Cop applicant selection and family interviews e) Higgins Lake Sunrise Fun Run Meeting 12/4 f) CERT Christmas in the Village 12/5 g) all required regular and special meetings
2. Trustee Long a) attended all required regular and special meetings b) Planning Commission meeting 12/3 c) Higgins Lake Sunrise Fun Run Meeting 12/4 d) Numerous emails, phone calls and citizen comments in regards to Sovereign Park e) Off site visits of proposed parcel splits
3. Treasurer: a) ACT-NOW dinner and auction fundraiser 11/16 b) RTA meeting 11/24 c) County wide treasurers' meeting 11/25 d) attended all required regular and special meetings e) daily treasurer activities including tax bill preparation and balancing with Assessor
4. Clerk a) daily Township business including payroll and accounts payable b) RTA meeting c) Off site visits of proposed parcel splits d) ACT-NOW dinner and auction fundraiser
5. Supervisor a) In office 24 days, 139 hours b) numerous citizen complaints/concerns c) chaired all regular and special Board meetings d) Act Now meeting and fund raiser e) Planning Commission meeting f) Roscommon Community Foundation meeting g) RTA meeting h) Roscommon Road Commission meeting i) Meetings with Superior Environmental, several contractors and Township attorney

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Homola, second by Link: CARRIED
that the Board authorize Chief Patchin to enter into approved service agreement for compressor equipment with Pro Air at a total annual cost of \$1,110.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Link, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board approve updates to Police policies "Daily Log Reports and Time Sheet Submission", "Use of Defensive Pepper Spray", "Incident Report Writing" and Prisoner Transportation".
2. Motion by Link, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board approve Property Split# 72-004-032-005-0140/Rittershofer with stipulations as suggested by Building and Zoning.
3. Motion by Valentino, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board appoint Robert Boyle, Stan Cooke and Madeline Soltman as regular members and Art Schauer and Ken Dennings as alternate members of the Zoning Board of Appeals with terms effective January 1, 2010 until December 31, 2012.
4. Motion by Long, second by Link: CARRIED
that the proposed Workplace Review Committee meeting schedule of 4 quarterly meetings per year, two with Chiefs, be adopted.
5. Motion by Valentino, second by Link: CARRIED
authorizing Clerk to approve Centennial Group as BCBS third party administrators.
6. Motion by Valentino, second by Homola: CARRIED
to authorize the purchase of a computer server at a cost of \$844.53 for the Assessor's office.
Role Call: Ayes: Homola, Link, Long, Valentino
Nays: None
Absent: Tulgetske
7. Motion by Homola, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board adopt "Treasurer's Tax Payment Policy" effective December 8, 2009.
8. Motion by Homola, second by Link: CARRIED
authorizing the Clerk to contact the Roscommon County Road Commission requesting restoration of service to Mill Street.
9. Motion by Homola, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board grant removal of Special Assessments from Parcel Numbers 004-032-0147-0020, 004-032-008-0180, 004-032-008-0160, 004-032-008-0141 and 004-032-008-0150, constituting the Gerrish Township Community Park.
Role Call: Ayes: Homola, Valentino, Link, Long
Nays: None
Absent: Tulgetske
10. Motion by Homola, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board accept S&J Excavating submitted bid of \$4400.00 for building/miscellaneous demolition and clearing at Gerrish Township Community Park.
11. Review of MTA annual conference dates. Acknowledgement of planned attendance for Clerk Valentino, Trustee Long, Trustee Link and Treasurer Tulgetske.
12. Motion by Valentino, second by Homola: CARRIED
that the Board approve the hire of Scott Yaek as part-time in training EMT/Fire personnel effective December 8, 2009.
13. Motion by Homola, second by Long: CARRIED
that the Board approve Property Split# 72-004-002-013-0035/Barber as submitted by Building and Zoning.
14. Motion by Valentino, second by Link: CARRIED
formal acknowledgment of Officer Josh Burmester's resignation, with regret, effective December 15, 2009.

15. Motion by Long, second by Link: CARRIED
that the Board authorize Chief Hill to proceed with hiring a replacement for Officer Burmester.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a) Project Blue Light to be held December 14, 2009 at 7:00p.m, at Immanuel Baptist Church
- b) Shop with a Cop "Wrap Party" on December 16, 2009 at 5:00p.m.
- c) Note of appreciation to H1N1 Flu Shot volunteers from Gerrish Township
- d) US Census Bureau to hold employment training/interviews at Gerrish Township Municipal Center beginning Monday, December 14, 2009. Please call 1-866-861-2010 for further information.
- e) Gerrish Township Community Park will be open for free winter lake access. There are handicap accessible restrooms on site. Please use caution and common sense when going out onto the ice.

Motion by Homola, second by Valentino: CARRIED
that the meeting be adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Jodi Valentino, Clerk

Frank Homola, Supervisor

Approved