

August 1, 2011

Supervisor Nancy Estola called the regular meeting of the Summit Township Board to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Supervisor Estola, Mary Samuels Clerk, Amy Hull Treasurer, Trustees Duane Cooper and Terry Woirol. All members were present.

Motion by Hull seconded by Cooper to approve the agenda as amended. Ayes all. Motion carried.

The minutes of the June 6, 2011 regular meeting were approved as presented with a motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Communications were read from the Michigan Municipal League. The township received a refund for liability insurance. This was the first time in 20 years that the MML has issued refunds for no incidents. Received preliminary Flood Insurance Study Maps and information today regarding possible flood areas in Summit Township. Will review and discuss at a later date.

Brief public comment was received from Al Bouda with questions on how to rent the Townhall and what the fees were. Discussion on public access on Sunset and Montgomery Blvd and also on Thiele Road.

**Under Old Business the Following was Discussed:**

1. **New Townhall**-A dedication for the new Townhall was held at 6:30pm prior to the regular meeting. There have been problems with people camping in the Townhall parking lot and kids skateboarding. Signs will be posted and a chain placed across both drive ways for the summer months prohibiting parking, camping and skateboarding.
2. **Parks and Maintenance**- The sign on Sunset Blvd was placed stating that NO Dogs are allowed on the beach area that is owned by Summit Township. It was immediately defaced by someone. D Cooper will have it re-painted. T Woirol will get frames and boards for two new picnic tables for Summit Park
3. **Treat Invasive Plants at Summit Park**-Motion by Cooper seconded by Hull to allow the Land Conservancy of West Michigan to eradicate two invasive species of plants called Lyme Grass and Japanese Knotweed that are taking over the shoreline of Lake Michigan. They will be treated sometime in August. Ayes all. Motion carried.
4. **Summit Park Fence**-Motion by Samuels seconded by Hull to request bids for a fence to be placed around the Summit Park property to keep people out after hours. There have been people going in around the gate after it has been locked. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Under New Business the Following was Discussed:**

1. **Sheriff Report**-Reported that there had been a couple of larceny's, civil situations and traffic accidents in Summit Township. Sheriff Fiers stated that it has been fairly quiet.
2. **Commissioners Report**-Still taking bids on work to be done at the Courthouse. Airport project should begin soon. An appeal has been filed for the Lake Winds Project.
3. **MTA Worker's Comp Self Insurance Fund**-Motion by Samuels seconded by Hull to provide payroll history to the MTA for the discovery process to find out if they can put together a self insurance fund. Ayes all. Motion carried.

4. **Resolution to Approve Removal of a Parcel from PA116**

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol to remove a parcel of property from PA116 located in Section 7 of Summit Township, Mason County for proposed installation of an electric substation by Consumers Energy. This parcel is located on Pere Marquette Highway, between Kistler Road and West Hawley Road. This property is part of a larger property that has been enrolled in the Farmland Development Rights Program (PA116) owned by Daryl and Susan Peterson.

Ayes: Estola, Samuels, Woirol and Cooper. Abstain: Hull. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given with a May 31, 2011 balance of \$593,784.86, disbursement of \$109,566.26 revenues of \$11,986.65 leaving a July 31, 2011 balance of \$496,205.25.

Cooper made a motion to pay the bills totaling \$109,566.26, for check numbers 8356 through 8404 inclusive. Seconded by Woirol. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**Extended Public Comment**-Questions from C Plummer regarding Right of way contracts with Consumers Energy as related to board members.

There being no further business the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m. with a Motion by Cooper, seconded by Woirol. Ayes all. Motion carried.

  
Mary Samuels/Summit Township Clerk