

CAMBRIDGE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MAY 14, 2014

The meeting was called to order by the supervisor at 7:00 P.M. with the pledge to the flag.

Louise Walz from Rome Township addressed the board on concerns of the cemetery policy on removal of decorations for spring and fall cleaning.

Roll call showed the following: present-Hawkins, Richardson, Johncox, Gentner; absent-Garrison.

Motion by Johncox, supported by Gentner to approve minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to approve treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Johncox to approve P.O. request from Cemetery for \$200 for a hedge trimmer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to approve P.O. requests from fire department as follows: \$400 for tires for Dodge Charger, \$1,400 for TV/projector replacement, \$288 for training classes for assistant chief. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Johncox, supported by Gentner to approve P.O. request of the clerk's office as follows: \$821 for MAMC conference in June, \$389.95 for Windows 7 upgrade to election computer. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to approve P.O. requests from police department as follows: radiator and front brakes for 2012 Dodge Charger-\$1,700, floor fan-\$50, tactical shield-\$2,652 (this purchase to be paid with drug funds). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Johncox, supported by Gentner to approve payment of bills as follows: \$20,558.85 in bills paid since the last meeting and \$149,061.34 in current month bills. Motion carried unanimously.

The monthly police chief's report was given by Chief Wibbeler. Motion by Gentner, supported by Johncox to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

The monthly fire chief's report was given by Asst. Chief Armstrong. Motion by Richardson, supported by Gentner to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Hawkins and Asst. Chief Armstrong presented length of service awards to the following firefighters: Chris Schultz-45 years, Scott Damon-30 years, Dustin Brighton-15 years, and Paul Damon-5 years. All were congratulated by the board and the public.

The monthly zoning report was reviewed by the supervisor. Motion by Johncox, supported by Richardson to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence was noted.

County commissioner Jack Branch was unable to attend the meeting.

John Calhoun, candidate for the 65<sup>th</sup> District State House seat, introduced himself and spoke briefly to the board and audience. He announced a meet and greet session that he will be holding on May 27, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Cambridge Township hall.

Under old business, a one-month extension was granted to both the Irish Hills Towers and the Bryja house on Hand Hwy. for compliance to the dangerous building ordinance.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to go into closed session with the township attorneys to discuss pending litigation. Roll call vote: ayes-Gentner, Hawkins, Richardson, Johncox; nays-none; absent-Garrison. Board went into closed session at 7:20 P.M.

Motion by Johncox, supported by Gentner to return to open session. Roll call vote: ayes-Johncox, Richardson, Hawkins, Gentner; nays-none; absent-Garrison. The board returned to open session at 7:55 P.M.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to adopt resolution to file a petition with the board of the Loch Erin Drainage District for capital improvements to be made to the Loch Erin Sewer System. Roll call vote: ayes-Gentner, Hawkins, Richardson, Johncox; nays-none; absent-Garrison. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Richardson, supported by Johncox to approve a plan change to the pension plan to exclude paid-on-call firefighters from eligibility in the plan. Motion carried unanimously.

The supervisor presented proposed contracts with the Lenawee County Road Commission for projects totaling \$469,569.90. The clerk advised that the township currently has \$300,000.00 budgeted for road work in this fiscal year, so a motion was made by Richardson, supported by Johncox to approve the following projects: crack fill and seal on several subdivision roads for \$16,130.38, salt brine on Brix Hwy. before each race-\$2,620.15, second application of salt brine on all gravel roads-\$20,472.72, drainage, gravel and signs for Knapp Hwy.-\$8,105.91, grinding, asphalt and shoulder work on Dalton Court-\$63,810.16. Motion carried unanimously. The proposed project for milling and repaving of roads in the north side of Loch Erin at a cost of \$358,430.58 will be discussed further with the road commission to see if payment terms can be arranged or if the project can be split into smaller phases to fit the budget.

Motion by Richardson, supported by Johncox to approve a one-year lease with D & P Communications at \$300 per month for the lease of space on the fire department radio tower. Motion carried unanimously.

The clerk presented the board with information gathered over the last four years in regards to a cost recovery ordinance for fire and police runs. Motion by Gentner, supported by Richardson to further investigate the possibility of establishing an ordinance and to have a special workshop meeting to begin the process. Motion carried.

Public comment was received.

Motion by Gentner, supported by Johncox to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 8:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick W. Richardson, Clerk