

MARKEY TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, December 13, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Pray at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members Present: Rob Pray, Sherrie Ciaramitaro, Elizabeth Fortino, Pat Bendily and Wendy Bell.

Motion made by Ciaramitaro to add items to the agenda, letter from Roscommon County Emergency Management and to appoint the board member to the Houghton Lake Sewer Authority & Houghton Lake Building Agency meetings.

Motion made by Ciaramitaro, seconded by Bendily to approve the agenda with the above additions. All in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes from Nov. 8, 16, 18 & 23, 2010 and Dec. 6, 2010 meetings read by Bell. Motion by Pray to approve meeting minutes as read, seconded by Bendily. All in favor. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Oral Report. All bank accounts and investment accounts have been identified. New board members and deputies have been put on accounts and past members taken off. A representative from CPA's office will be coming Wednesday to give instructions on transferring funds between accounts. Motion by Pray to approve Treasurer's Report, seconded by Fortino. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Pray to approve list of bills to be paid, Fortino seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Correspondence:

Letter of resignation from Barbara Gardner from Board of Review on Dec. 9, 2010. Next meeting is Friday, Dec. 17. Citizens were asked to be thinking about volunteering to fill the position.

Letter about Roscommon County Emergency Management. Discussion followed about emergency community sirens and warning systems. There is an obvious advantage to having a system. We will respond to RCEM about applying for grant money because of the large cost. Also discussion about putting an outside phone at the fire dept.

Reports read from Fire Department, Ordinance Administrator (Oct. & Nov.), Planning Commission, Assessor (Nov. & Dec.)

Motion made by Ciaramitaro to appoint Pray to Sewer Authority, Building Agency and Transportation Authority Boards, seconded by Bendily. All in favor. Motion Passed.

Ciaramitaro asked that Pray bring notes back to the Markey Township board of issues discussed at meetings and how he voted.

Motion made by Pray to appoint Fortino as Ex-Officio Member to Planning Commission, seconded by Ciaramitaro. All in favor. Motion passed. Tom will gather information for her.

Motion made by Fortino to appoint Steven Hall to Land Use position, seconded by Pray. Four ayes, one nay. Motion passed. Hall will start January 5, 2011. Tom Burge will stay on for a few days as needed for training.

Citizens were asked for volunteers for a Board of Review member. Al Bell volunteered. **Motion** made by Pray to appoint Al Bell to Board of Review, seconded by Fortino. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Bell to send Sheryl Tussey, Deputy Clerk, to MTA Conference in January. Motion failed due to lack of support.

Discussion about whether to continue using the fire department plow truck to plow the cemetery and township offices or get bids from outside companies to plow. If contractor is hired for snowplowing, insurance should be required.

Motion made by Fortino to allow the Fire Dept. to continue plowing the township offices and cemetery, get bids by posting the job in the paper, and pay the fire dept. based on the bids that we accept for their services for the next approx. 30 days until the new contractor is chosen at the next regular meeting in January, seconded by Pray. All in favor. Motion passed. An ad will be placed in the paper this week

Motion made by Pray to drop investigation by CPA into the amount of Accumed revenues from 2009 to 2010, seconded by Fortino. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Fortino to terminate contract with CPA and Houghton Lake Title and pay them up-to-date until the new board has a chance to review that decision and research it for the best use of the money, seconded by Pray. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Bendily to suspend charges to real estate and title companies for tax questions, seconded by Ciaramitaro. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Bell to remove special assessments for trash removal from parcels 008-003-015-0021, 008-400-043-0000, 008-420-272-1000, 008-420-357-0000, 008-441-040-0000, 008-441-042-0000, 008-560-028-0000, and 008-560-029-0000 because of joined lots, seconded by Pray. Roll call vote. Pray – aye, Fortino – aye, Ciaramitaro – aye, Bendily – aye, Bell – aye. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Ciaramitaro, to rescind Ordinance 49 and re-enact Ordinance 24 revised in 1994 and to take it back to the drawing board, seconded by Bendily. All in favor. Motion passed.

Nick Sergeant said annual physicals are due for the firefighters and that they could be done at the fire hall and wanted permission to have them done.

Motion made by Pray to allow physicals to be done, seconded by Fortino. All in favor. Motion passed.

Nick Sergeant said the fire dept. is looking into replacing their cots for the ambulances.

The special meeting on Dec. 14, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. was announced.

Public Comment:

Phil Bendily told public about e-mail being added to website for notification of meetings.

Tom Burge suggested a map of Markey Township be added to the website.

Citizen asked about charges for copies of information from the township offices.

Motion made by Ciaramitaro to adjourn, seconded by Fortino. All in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy E. Bell
Markey Township Interim Clerk