

**MARKEY TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday, April 11, 2011**

Regular meeting of the Markey Township Board called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members Present: Joanne Kortge, Sheryl Tussey, Brian Trupp, Norm Fullmer and Sherrie Ciaramitaro.

**Motion** by Ciaramitaro, seconded by Kortge to approve agenda as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Kortge, seconded by Ciaramitaro to approve minutes from March 14, March 28, March 31, 2011 as amended. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Fullmer, seconded by Trupp to approve the bills to be paid. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was given and the treasurer also stated that we are 99% settled with the County for the winter taxes.

**Motion** made by Fullmer, seconded by Kortge to approve the Treasurer's report. All in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Liquor License Application for Country Peddler

Asphalt Workshops

GLD Management Co. Re: Whisper Ridge Apartments

Consumers Energy Co. Case No. U-16564 & U-16566

Muskegon River Watershed Assembly Membership was discussed.

Gypsy Moth Suppression Program is starting up and there will be a map in the office showing what areas will be sprayed.

Supervisor Kortge read the Catholic Human Services Proclamation for May 2011 as Social Host Liability Month

Reports:

Ordinance: 0 permits issued and nothing was collected and receipted to the treasurer. One demolition, 40 miles driven, 1 ticket issued, and 1 violation letter mailed.

Planning Commission report attached.

Assessor report attached.

Fire Department – 7 Fire Runs, 31 EMS calls

Amber Nebor asked for a 90 day leave of absence. Motion by Kortge, seconded by Tussey to grant Amber Nebor a 90 day leave of absence starting 4-1-11. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Kortge, seconded by Ciaramitaro to hire Mike Crawford effective today, 4-11-11 and he has a current physical as of May 30<sup>th</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Fullmer, seconded by Kortge to approve the purchase of turn out gear not to exceed \$2000 for Mike Crawford. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Motion** by Tussey, seconded by Kortge to appoint Nick Sergeant as Captain, leave Justin Devins and Kelly Van Y as Lieutenants, leave Tess Cornell as Interim Lieutenant, and Sandy Maples as Secretary of the Markey Township Fire Department. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mike Stearns will bring in proof of having a physical in January of 2011.

Apria vs. Air Gas – get costs to provide more air.

Fire Chief is going to get cost estimates for 5 pagers and radios to replace 5 per year until all are replaced.

Fire Chief is asking the board to re-instate Carl Geiger with all seniority and pay. Discussion took place to contact our lawyer to draw up paperwork for us in regards to hiring Carl back.

**Motion** by Kortge, seconded by Fullmer to approve the Fire Chief (only) to spend up to \$2000 without board approval for the Fire Department.

Public Comments were heard. Tim O'Rourke from the Road Commission would like to come and have a work session with us.

Business Items:

**Motion** by Ciaramitaro, seconded by Kortge to approve Sunday morning liquor sales for Country Peddler Store. All in favor. Motion carried.

Maintenance Bids were opened. Received bids from Lear's Lawn Service, Tim's Lawn Care and Snowplowing, and Superior Service. Look into using trustees from the county jail to help with Spring clean-up.

Fire Department has their own mower and not much grass. They'll do their own grass. The Board will decide at the next meeting on who to hire and for what.

**Motion** by Kortge, seconded by Fullmer to approve up to 4 Board members to attend the MTA on the Road class on May 18<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$89 (early bird discount) in West Branch. All in favor. Motion carried.

Looking at the possibility of getting a new Township Attorney. Discussion.

**Motion** by Kortge, seconded by Tussey to approve the 2011 County Road project as proposed with the exception of Timbers Drive this year and giving that road priority next year. All in favor. Motion carried.

Special Meeting is set for April 20, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. to interview for the maintenance position and to award Sub-contracting bids.

**Resolution** made by Ciaramitaro, seconded by Trupp to rescind Resolution to abolish Petty Cash Fund since we found that money which was actually Tax Cash for making change. It was at the County. Fullmer – yes, Ciaramitaro – yes, Tussey – yes, Kortge – yes, Trupp – yes. Resolution passed.

Have Wendy Bell, deputy clerk, put agenda on Website by Friday before the regular meeting.

Send letter to Road Commission to request for brining with extra money they have for doing that. ASAP.

**Motion** by Fullmer, seconded by Kortge to adjourn at 8:28 p.m.

Sheryl J. Tussey, Clerk  
Approved by Board