

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS- cont'd

BARRY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Craig Stolsonburg

The Strategic Plan should be revealed at the last board of commissioners meeting of the month (occurs at the end of the month). A top priority is county-wide high-speed internet and the budget calendar will be approved Tuesday for 2015. Revenue is expected to increase 1 to 2% over 2014. 2014 was 1 to 2% over 2013.

Meals-on-Wheels Walk-a-thon will be on Saturday, May 17th.

Charlton Park Day will be Saturday, May 24th, 11:00 a.m. – 3 p.m. A free day for all county residents.

Vital Records fees are expected to increase per the recommendation of the county clerk. \$20 will be charged for the first record, and \$7.00 for the second and each subsequent.

Englerth asked C. Stolsonburg if there was funding or grants available for work similar to what has been done on the township park. Brief discussion took place.

Matt Spencer, YS Resident, asked about a recent comment in the newspaper regarding health benefits for part-time employment status. C. Stolsonburg commented that he feels that the benefit attracts talent. He commented that the pay is part-time, mileage is paid but not per diems. Commissioners receive \$9,500 yearly, with an extra \$1,000 to the Chairperson.

TTES Report –David Middleton, Fire Chief – No Report

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Campbell with support from Rottschafer to accept minutes of April 10, 2014 as presented. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

In the April 23, 2014 minutes, Clerk J. Lippert asked for clarification on page 1 regarding discussion on fire hydrants, bottom paragraph. Lippert noted that there are two types of fire hydrants in the township.

- The RED fire hydrants connected to the water system are in Section 19 and part of Section 30 (Board Walk Condominiums)
- The dry hydrants (color WHITE with RED Ban) are located on various state land properties and various locations within the Township.

Jerkatis commented that “fire hydrants” should be “dry fire hydrants”.

Motion by Campbell with support from Rottschafer to a accept minutes of April 23, 2014 as amended. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

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BARRY COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT
Craig Stolsonburg

TTES REPORT: D. Middleton

No report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve April 10, 2014 BOT minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to approve April 23, 2014 BOT minutes as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Jerkatis, Treasurer

Motion by Campbell with support from Lippert to accept the April Financial Statement as presented. All ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

CLERK'S REPORT: by J. Lippert

May 6, 2014 Election: 410 ballots counted for Thornapple-Kellogg bond proposal. The proposal passed in the precinct YES 219/NO 190. Overall in the County, the proposal passed.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from J. Lippert to approve payroll check #s 5115-5131 for amount of \$11,440.34 which includes EFT of \$2,355.28. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Cash Receipts balanced to Treasurer's Report.

Motion by J. Lippert with support from Rottschafer to approve **Accounts payable** check #s 912491-912515 for the total amount of \$18,617.98 gross amount. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from with support from Campbell to approve check #912490 for the amount of \$260.58 payable to Mike Cunningham. This check was disbursed from VET Pooled CASH account. It is the first check for the expenses of fundraising. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0

- Clerk Lippert explained items and answered any questions on the accounts payable register.

911 Call Summary Report- from the County Clerk was distributed for the 2nd quarter.

Hazardous Waste Collection this Saturday, May 10th at the Barry County Fairgrounds.

Cobb Lake Weed Control Notice: J. Lippert noted that when lakes are being treated they are required to submit a permit of notification.

MTA "On the Road" Regional 2014 Meetings: The meeting for YS Township's region will take place at **WMU**, on Wednesday, June 11th. Early bird discount deadline is May 14, 2014. Time: 8:30 to 4:15 p.m. Please inform Jan if you'd like to attend.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Larry Knowles, ZA - Not present. Englerth commented that L. Knowles may be present occasionally for the regular board meeting, but not every month as in the past. Brief discussion took place regarding the cost effectiveness and value of having the ZA present. The Zoning Administrator's report was distributed in board member's packets.

TREASURER'S REPORT:
John Jerkatis, Treasurer
Treasurer's Report Accepted

CLERK'S REPORT:
Jan Lippert
TK Bond Proposal:
Passed

Payroll and
Accounts Payable approved

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT cont'd

• **SPR's for April 2014:**

1. Request by Shorewood Builders, Inc. to build an addition on the R. Groenboom (Tameling) home located at 3089 Elmwood Beach, Middleville.
2. Request by DK Homes for Rinzema family to build a sunroom on their home located at 1110 Lynn Drive, Middleville.
3. Request by Scott Bidigare to build a new house at 600 Spruce Hollow Dr., Middleville.
4. Request by Huitsing Enterprises LLC (Mara Hewitt) to build a new home with garage on property located at 1014 Crystal Way.
5. Request by Lawrence Klunder to build an addition on his home located at 1170 Lynn Dr.
6. Request by Ruth Vos to build a carport on her home located at 2074 Parker Dr.
7. Request by Beverly Middleton of 11584 Bowens Mill Rd. to build an addition on her garage.
8. Request by Janet Fricano of 3847 England Dr. to put up a decorative fence on her property. Lot 33 and North 10' of Lot 34.
9. Request by Appel Builders, LLC to build a new home for John & Grace Waddell on property located at 10741 Griffeth Dr., Middleville.

A report on Planning and Zoning Activity and current May SPR's are also included in the Zoning Administrator's report.

Discussion occurred regarding the Firework Ordinance amendment that came before the Board 7/11/13. She will contact attorney for the Wording of the amendment and will readopt at the next meeting and publish same.

Planning Commission: Frank Fiala, Chairman, highly recommended Rebecca Harvey as a professional planner. R. Harvey provides service at a very reasonable price. The PC doesn't plan on R. Harvey coming to every PC meeting.

Motion by Englerth with support from to Campbell to accept professional planning services proposal of Rebecca Harvey at a rate of \$50.00 per hour. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: No, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 4, No: 1. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Mark Englerth

- **April Water Report:** Looking at some rate increases for sewer authority. GLASWA sewer rates are among the lowest in the state, and its water rates are among the highest.
- **Buoys** will be put in at the end of the month – hopefully before Memorial Day weekend.
- **Fire Services Contract Update-** Englerth has contacted Dr. Lynn Harvey, who will be available in June and will look at the facility and equipment. Englerth noted that Dr. Harvey may be looked up on the internet regarding his credentials and background. There may be a charge of \$100 or \$200 for his services.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion to approve use of prof. planning services of R. Harvey for the Plan. Commission. Motion Carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Mark Englerth cont'd:

- Brush Truck pump- the pump truck is still in Grand Rapids. Hopefully it will be back by the end of the week. The pump had run dry.
- Lighting in Fire Barn- J. Lippert commented that Great Lakes Energy will come in and give a free audit of energy needs. Jerkatis commented on getting specs and having competitive bids. Roger Rottschafer commented that he will supply a picker (scissor lift) when it is needed.

Motion by M. Englerth with support from Campbell to replace emergency security lighting fixtures (2' x 2') with LAD lights and rebulb fluorescent bulbs and replace fluorescent fixtures that need replacement, not to exceed \$2,500. M. Englerth to oversee the work to be performed. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from J. Lippert to pay for pump repair to the brush truck for the amount of \$5,000 with report of corrective action taken. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED

Scheduled burn on Briggs Rd. by DNR was discussed briefly.

- Roof Repair- Standing seam steel roof and shingle roofs were discussed. It was noted that the roof needs to be repaired before any remodeling is to be done. Jerkatis distributed a confidential roof estimate which was reviewed. Ventilation issues were discussed as well.

Motion by Jerkatis with support from Rottschafer to advertise for bids to re-roof the township hall with a steel standing seam roof with sealed bids due before next Regular meeting. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: no, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 4, No: 1. MOTION CARRIED. It was noted that Jerkatis will help write the advertisement.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

J. Lippert read the Resolution to Adopt Millage Ballot Language. If approved, this language will be on the August ballot. The mill is at .5 for years 2015 through 2018 for township fire operations. \$112,322 to be raised in the first year that the millage is levied.

Motion by J. Lippert with support by Jerkatis to adopt Resolution for millage renewal language for August ballot. ROLL CALL: Jerkatis: yes, J. Lippert: yes, Englerth: yes, Rottschafer: yes, Campbell: yes. Yes: 5, No: 0. MOTION CARRIED

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

Mark Englerth cont'd:

Motion to replace emergency security lighting fixtures (2' x 2') with LAD lights and rebulb fluorescent bulbs and replace fluorescent fixtures that need replacement, not to exceed \$2,500. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to pay for pump repair to the brush truck for the amount of \$5,000 with report of corrective action taken. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion to advertise for bids to re-roof the township hall with a steel standing seam roof with bids due before next regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

NEW/OLD BUSINESS – cont'd

Sandy Marcukaitis has been working on a township newsletter for over a year and a half. The progress of the township letter was inquired about at a recent Planning Commission meeting, and S. Marcukaitis would like to know if a newsletter is important to the board. She is looking for direction. S. Marcukaitis noted that the public should be informed. The last time something went out was in 2011. Discussion took place on having a person on the board that Sandy can go to regarding the newsletter. Further discussion took place regarding the frequency of publication, annual budgeted amount for newsletters (\$1800), sending the newsletter with tax bills, buying a page in the newspaper, and content the newsletter should have. It was noted that sewer and water authority study information should be included. Also information regarding the fire protection millage would be helpful in the newsletter, if mailed in July with tax bills.

Frank Fiala- commented that the Solid Waste Oversight Committee will be on this Tuesday's agenda for the County Board of Commissioners' meeting. The Solid Waste committee proposes, (using its own funds), using Eaton County's coordinator part-time to gather data about all of the recycling that is going on in local units of government and working with waste haulers towards a limited number of haulers going to the same area/neighborhoods.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Campbell with support from Lippert to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted:
Deb Mousseau
Recording Secretary 5/13/14

Date: _____

Approved : June 12, 2014
Janice C. Lippert, Township Clerk

NEW/OLD BUSINESS – cont'd

ADJOURNMENT