

PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
PUTNAM TOWNSHIP ANNEX, 122 S. HOWELL ST., PINCKNEY, MI
NOVEMBER 15, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting opened at 7:00 PM with Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Knopf.

ROLL CALL

Present: Guyon, Buerman, Benedetti, McCloskey, Knopf and Dobis
Absent: Klein
Others Present: Fire Chief Greg Amburgey; Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Klein and supported by Buerman to approve the Regular meeting minutes of October 18, 2006 as presented. A synopsis was published in the Livingston Community News. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.
McCloskey reported on the status of outstanding personal property taxes.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Buerman to pay the bills as presented – list attached. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Benedetti, Dobis, McCloskey, Guyon, Knopf, and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Dobis to approve the agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Richard Schramm thanked Dick Knopf for his service on behalf of the residents.
Closed 7:16 PM.

REPORTS

1. Supervisor Knopf furnished a report on his activity since the last meeting (attached).
2. Chief Amburgey gave a report on fire runs during the month of October – 435 runs to date.
3. Trustee Dobis, Board Liaison to the Planning Commission, gave a report on the 10/25 & 11/8 meetings.
4. Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator, gave a report on zoning violations for the month of October.
5. Trustee Buerman, Board Liaison to the Friends of the Lakeland Trail – tunnel under M-36 is essentially completed.
6. Sheriff furnished a report for October.
7. Trustee Dobis, Chair of the Township Square Maintenance Citizens Committee – three animal refuse stations were installed; Township Square sign ordered and will be ready in 4-6 weeks.
8. Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator, liaison to the Huron River Watershed reported on activity for the month of October.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Storie Construction Trailer: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by McCloskey to extend the temporary trailer permit while building their house upon submission of new bond until 8/1/07. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Public Health Emergency Preparedness Policy: Trustee Buerman summarized the presentation that was presented by the Health Department regarding the preparations and course of action in place for an anthrax attack or avian flu outbreak.
3. Outdoor Event and Gathering Ordinance: The Township attorney will meet with the Planning Commission chair before the regular December Board meeting to discuss a draft ordinance.
4. Community Wastewater Utility System Ordinance: Draft will be available from attorney to discuss at the regular December Board meeting.
5. Code Blue 911: **A motion was made by McCloskey and supported by Buerman to table until the regular December Board meeting. MOTION CARRIED.**
6. Maciag Court Order: Supervisor Knopf reported that the order is waiting for the judge's signature and then a final inspection can be made and contract for removal of anything in violation.
7. 425 Agreement: Trustee Dobis asked for clarity on who was responsible for charges for the draft agreement written by the Township attorney concerning the car wash/Laundromat property on Patterson Lake Rd.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fire Department: A. Tanker 52 – repairs were made by donation. B. Aerial Ladder Truck – **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Benedetti to authorize up to \$170,000 for the purchase of a 15 year old aerial ladder truck from Ann Arbor Township (\$150,000) and purchase a trailer to transport ice rescue equipment. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Benedetti, Dobis, McCloskey, Guyon, Knopf, and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Erickson Rezoning: **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to approve the rezoning of 10.01 acres, 14-26-400-009, 10889 Dexter-Pinckney Rd. for John & Alyse Erickson from AO to R1A. MOTION CARRIED.**
3. ZBA Alternate: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by McCloskey to appoint Liz Christian as an alternate for the ZBA for a 3 year term commencing as soon as she takes the oath and terminating 2/19/09. MOTION CARRIED.**
4. Board of Review Alternate: **A motion was made by McCloskey and supported by Buerman to appoint Judy Hollister as an alternate for the Board of Review through 12/31/06, and to be considered for re-appointment along with the current members for a two year term 1/01/07-12/31/09. MOTION CARRIED.**
5. Snow Removal Bids: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Dobis to continue with CV Property Services for the Fire Station at \$100/event (price increases 50% over 5") and \$13/bag for salt. CV will also service the Township Hall sidewalk and entrance for \$35/event and \$25/50# bag of salt. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Benedetti, Dobis, McCloskey, Guyon, Knopf, and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**
6. Wetland Consultant Interviews: **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to appoint Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator as Chairman of a selection committee and recommend two of the four candidates that provided proposals at the next regular Board meeting. MOTION CARRIED.**
7. Amendment to Rules and Regulations – Multi-Lakes Sewer: **A motion was made by McCloskey and supported by Buerman to adopt Resolution #06-09 adopting Amendment No. 1-C to the rules and regulations for Multi-Lakes Area Water and Sewer Authority which prohibits buildings or structures in the right of way owned by the Authority or acts which interfere with the Authority's right to enter the right of way. RESOLUTION ADOPTED.**

8. Unity Park Bricks for Pathway: Trustee Benedetti offered to chair a committee to get bids on extending the pathway to Livingston street, sell more bricks, and pull up bricks and have them engraved for those who had paid and not received bricks.

9. Santa in the Park: **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to approve Santa in the Park 12/9/06. MOTION CARRIED.**

10. Dexter Fire Runs Reimbursement: **A motion was made by McCloskey and supported by Buerman to place the \$16,663.33 paid by Dexter Township for reimbursement for runs made 7/1/05-6/30/06 into the Fire Operating Fund to offset charges from Plante & Moran for the work done in preparation of the November 7, 2006 Fire Hall bond issue. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Benedetti, Dobis, McCloskey, Guyon, Knopf, and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

11. Township Square Christmas Decorations: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Guyon to authorize \$400 for lights to decorate the Township Hall and large pine trees in square. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Benedetti, Dobis, McCloskey, Guyon, Knopf, and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

12. Facilities Survey: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Benedetti to form a committee to work with a Pinckney High School group, "Git Er Done", to develop the process (Board will develop questions) to survey residents by phone as to their attitudes toward new Township facilities. MOTION CARRIED.**

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC

Jerry Balk thanked Dick Knopf for his service to the Township and was concerned with potential impartiality of ZBA members who are lake residents.

Tom Benedetti presented a plaque and gift to Dick Knopf from the Board, ZBA, Planning Commission and office staff in appreciation for his dedication.

CORRESPONDENCE

ZBA Rules

NATaT Washington Report

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting **adjourned at 9:26 PM.**

Sally D. Guyon
Putnam Township Clerk