

PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
PUTNAM TOWNSHIP ANNEX, 122 S. HOWELL ST., PINCKNEY, MI
APRIL 19, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting opened at 7:03 PM with Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Knopf.

ROLL CALL

Present: Guyon, Buerman, Benedetti, Knopf and Dobis

Absent: McCloskey and Klein

Others Present: Fire Chief Greg Amburgey; Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Guyon to approve the Regular meeting minutes of March 15, 2006 as amended. A synopsis was published in the Livingston Community News. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Buerman to accept the Closed Session minutes of March 15, 2006 as reviewed by each Board member.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as amended.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Two residents spoke - one with concerns regarding Charboneau's landscaping business and the other regarding gravel trucks on Swarthout and the need for a 4-way-stop at Farley.

In recognition of Barbara Dewey's 35 years of service on the Pinckney Community Library Board, Supervisor Knopf presented her with a plaque in appreciation for her dedication.

REPORTS

1. Supervisor Knopf furnished a report on his activity since the last meeting.
2. Chief Amburgey gave a report on fire runs during the month of March and reported that a grant pursuing funding for tornado sirens was changed to grass fire gear.
3. Trustee Dobis, Board Liaison to the Planning Commission, gave a report on activity for the 2nd meeting in April and 1st meeting in May.
4. Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator, gave a report on zoning violations for the month of March.
5. Trustee Buerman, Board Liaison to the Friends of the Lakeland Trail – Hamburg Twp. has secured property from MDOT and Village of Pinckney has sent lease changes to DNR.
6. Sheriff's report furnished for the month of February.
7. Trustee Dobis, Chair of the Township Square Maintenance Citizens Committee – had first spring meeting; considering building fence on southwest corner of playground and paving walkway to Livingston St.
8. Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator, liaison to the Huron River Watershed – no report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Consultant for RFP: Two out of the 5 firms contacted responded and had discussed possibility of consulting during the RFP process with Supervisor.
2. Charboneau Enterprises: Knopf is expecting an attorney opinion within the week.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fire Department: A. Burn Permits – Now issuing at Fire Department 7AM-4PM.
2. Wetlands Ordinance: Sara O'Donnell was present to give a synopsis of the ordinance and answer questions. Will do some revisions by May regular meeting.

3. Wachocki – Permission to Build Garage: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Knopf to authorize Tony Wachocki, 4377 Patterson Lake Rd. to build a garage prior to constructing his home with the requirement that he post a \$5,000 bond and the house be completed by 4/1/07, otherwise the garage will be removed. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dobis, Guyon, Knopf, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

A motion was made by Guyon and supported by Buerman that Dobis, the Board Liaison to the Planning Commission, direct the Planning Commission to review Chapter 26, Sec. 14a2 (pg.273) and consider revisions to accommodate the construction of an outbuilding prior to or concurrently while building a home with the posting of a bond. MOTION CARRIED.

4. Township Square Request: A. **A motion was made by Guyon and supported by Buerman to approve the use of the Township Square/Gazebo 4/23/06 for Barbara Lowe's birthday party from 1PM-6PM. MOTION CARRIED.** B. **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Benedetti to approve the use of the Township Square/Gazebo 6/11/06 for Barbara Lowe's birthday party from Noon-5PM. MOTION CARRIED.** C. **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to approve the use of the Township Square 5/29/06 for People's Church prior and during the Memorial Day parade providing free hot dogs, music and children's activities. MOTION CARRIED.** D. **A motion was made by Guyon and supported by Dobis to approve the use of the Township Annex 5/29-6/5/06 for the Friends of the Pinckney Community Public Library annual book sale. MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Jennings Dependency Trailer Renewal: **A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Buerman to approve the renewal of the trailer permit for one year for Dave Jennings, 1180 Mower. MOTION CARRIED.**

6. SWPPI Phase II Stormwater Permit: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Benedetti to authorize the Zoning Administrator to proceed with the document submission. MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Video Conferencing: **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Benedetti to authorize up to \$2500 for video conferencing equipment so Township consultants can participate at Board, Planning Commission and ZBA meetings when necessary at a cost savings. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Dobis, Guyon, Knopf, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**

8. 2006-2007 Budget: Knopf has preliminary draft to distribute to Board and scheduled a Budget Workshop meeting 5/4/06 at 7PM.

9. Schafer Road Limestone Repair: Discussed applying limestone to a ½ mile section west of Cedar Lake Rd. for approximately \$23,000.

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC

No response.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting **adjourned at 10:45 PM.**

Sally D. Guyon
Putnam Township Clerk