

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: McCloskey, Guyon, Buerman, Klein, Benedetti, Knopf and Dobis  
Absent: None  
Others Present: Fire Chief Greg Amburgey; Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to approve the Regular meeting minutes of June 21, 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.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

7:18 PM. No response.

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 June – 265 runs to date, which is 63 runs more than last year at this time.
3. Trustee Dobis, Board Liaison to the Planning Commission, gave a report on the 6/22 & 7/12 meetings.
4. Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator, gave a report on zoning violations for the month of June.
5. Trustee Buerman, Board Liaison to the Friends of the Lakeland Trail – Hamburg starting construction on their portion of trail.
6. Sheriff furnished a report for June.
7. Trustee Dobis, Chair of the Township Square Maintenance Citizens Committee – two trees have been donated and planted; will get assessment from Extension service on damage to existing trees during road Livingston/Mill streets construction.
8. Pat Carney, Zoning Administrator, liaison to the Huron River Watershed reported on activity for the month of June.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Status of Fire Hall Bond Proposal: Supervisor Knopf is waiting for cost and construction schedule from architect, and will contact bond counsel.

2. Status of Video Conferencing: Trustee Benedetti reported on video conference performance and that there were problems maintaining connection.
3. Remodel Township Offices Contract: There was a discussion to wait to see if the bond issue for the Fire Hall passes before moving forward with remodeling the Township Hall and moving an office to the Annex. There was a general consensus in favor of not investing approximately \$30,000 in renovating the Township Hall/one office @Annex and looking at adding onto the Annex for Township offices and using the Township Hall for meetings.
4. Wetlands Ordinance: Trustees Klein and Benedetti will define a minimum acreage by 8/9/06 and define any other issues and bring back to next regular meeting.
5. Township Square Electric Meter: Rebecca Foster, Village Council President, was present representing the Chamber and submitted a proposal for resolution of the electric charges they have been paying to date. **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Benedetti to reimburse the Chamber for the total of bills paid in 2005-2006 in the amount of \$346.40 (760.3). Roll Call Vote: Ayes: McCloskey, Klein, Dobis, Guyon, Knopf, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**  
**A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Dobis to transfer any meters on Township property into Township name. MOTION CARRIED.**

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Fire Department: A. Hiring Policy - **A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Buerman to approve the Hiring Procedures and Policies as presented dated 7/10/06. MOTION CARRIED.** B. Scott Air Pack Upgrades – **A motion was made by Buerman and supported by Klein to authorize \$2,400 (840.51) to upgrade 4 donated packs. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: McCloskey, Klein, Dobis, Guyon, Knopf, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Camp Innisfree Site Plan: Bill Goodreau, Civil Design Services and Mike Vore, Girl Scout Detroit Metro Council, were present to answer questions. **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Buerman to approve the 6/8/06 revised site plan for the building of a dining hall. MOTION CARRIED.**
3. Township Code of Ordinances: **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Dobis to refund John Colone the \$100 outdoor gathering permit fee because Chapter 11, Outdoor Gatherings is not enforceable as written and to review all of the General Law ordinances. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: McCloskey, Klein, Dobis, Guyon, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: Knopf. MOTION CARRIED.**
4. Township Square Request: A. Toys For Tots Bike Rally – **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Klein to approve the event on 8/20/06 from 2PM-7PM contingent upon applicant securing liability insurance on Township's behalf, procurement of sanitary facilities and proof of police protection. MOTION CARRIED.** B. Helluva Cruise - **A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Buerman to approve the event on 8/5/06 from 3PM-11PM in the Township Square after the cruise. MOTION CARRIED.** C. Hootin' In the Park – **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Buerman to approve the use of the Township Square 8/3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 from 5PM-8PM. MOTION CARRIED.** D. Beal Wedding – **A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Guyon to approve the use of the Square on 6/16/07 from 2PM-6PM. MOTION CARRIED.**
5. Outdoor Gathering Applications: A. Pinckney Community Rodeo – **A motion was made by Benedetti and supported by Dobis to approve the event 9/23/06 and waive the fee. MOTION CARRIED.** B. Shalom Lutheran Church – Crop Walk – No need for a permit; Supervisor Knopf will notify them.
6. Commercial Advisory Committee: Trustee Klein expressed his concerns with potential development and the Board's position on annexation and 425 agreements.
7. Call To The Public Procedure: Trustee Klein raised concerns regarding the lack of a Board policy on public forum and agreed to develop one.

8. Hell Business Owners: Due to the publicity surrounding the 6/6/06 event in Hell, it was agreed that the Board desired an open dialogue with the business community. **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to invite the Hell business owners and residents to a Special meeting 8/10/06 to discuss events and outdoor gathering ordinance. MOTION CARRIED.**

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC

Three persons spoke regarding progress in responding to complaints about Charboneau Enterprises, public forum and event insurance.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting **adjourned at 10:33 PM.**

Sally D. Guyon  
Putnam Township Clerk