

PUTNAM TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
PUTNAM TOWNSHIP ANNEX, 122 S. HOWELL ST., PINCKNEY, MI
AUGUST 16, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting opened at 7:04 PM with Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Knopf.

ROLL CALL

Present: McCloskey, Buerman, Klein, Benedetti, Knopf and Dobis
Absent: Guyon
Others Present: Fire Chief Greg Amburgey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Klein and supported by Dobis to approve the Regular meeting minutes of July 19, 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. It was noted that the last payment on the fire truck was made in the amount of \$109,095.85.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Opened Call to the Public at 7:13 PM.

Joseph Gardella 7635 D19- spoke concerning the court order regarding his parcel. Wanted to know what the intent of the Township was concerning the court order. He threatened the Board that similar consequences would occur to Township property if the Board decided to act on the court order. Mr. Gardella was reminded that completing the land use permit would bring this matter to a conclusion.

Closed call to the public at 7:21 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 July – 324 runs to date, which is 79 runs more than last year at this time. Informed the Board that the County now has a second Hazmat vehicle located at Station #20.
3. Trustee Dobis, Board Liaison to the Planning Commission, gave a report on the 7/26 & 8/9 meetings.
4. Looked at a report on zoning violations for the month of July.
5. Trustee Buerman, Board Liaison to the Friends of the Lakeland Trail – Hamburg will be done with the upgrades to their portion of the trail on 11/6.
6. Sheriff furnished a report for July.

7. Trustee Dobis, Chair of the Township Square Maintenance Citizens Committee – Fixed sprinkler heads, met with Village to show issues from construction around the park.
8. Joint Advisory Committee on Development- Trustee Klein met with developer and they are exploring all of their options for development in the E M-36 area.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Fire Hall Bond Proposal: Greg Van Kirk from Plante and Moran went over proposal and answered questions. **A motion was made by McCloskey and supported by Klein to adopt Resolution 06-06 (attached) approving a request for .7758 mills to be placed on the November 7, 2006 ballot to build a new Township Fire Station.**
2. Wetland Ordinance: Trustees Benedetti and Klein met to discuss the proposed ordinance. Kenneth Recker, Deputy Drain Commissioner, answered some questions about overlapping permits. Knopf will have the Township attorney call him to make sure that all concerns are addressed. The board was in consensus that the limit should be one acre wetlands and there should not be a buffer 30' setback around the from wetlands.
3. Event Ordinance: Trustee Benedetti will have new language to distribute before the next meeting.
4. Meeting on 8/10 with Hell Business Owners: Felt that the meeting went well and all had input.
5. Video Conferencing: Questioned on the ability to move the screen and/or projector.
6. Drop Box: Trustee Dobis would like to have a drop box as a service to the residents. **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Buerman to approve the purchase of a drop box and pedestal not to exceed \$800.00. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: McCloskey, Klein, Dobis, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: Knopf. MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fire Department: A. Inventory: Chief Amburgey presented Inventory lists for each board member. B. Fire Fighters in the Park: **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to allow the Fire Department to use the Township Square on a date to be determined in September for the Fire Fighters in the Park event. MOTION CARRIED.** C. Chief's Conference: Chief Amburgey requested that Asst Chiefs Mark Coddington and John Wiltse be approved to attend the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs Conference in Bay City August 23-25, 2006. **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to approve \$1053.64 for hotel for three nights and conference registration. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: McCloskey, Klein, Dobis, Knopf, Benedetti and Buerman. Nays: None. MOTION CARRIED.**
2. Midwest Wheels of Hope- Outdoor Permit: Supervisor Knopf noted how cooperative this group has been. **A motion was made by Dobis and supported by Buerman to approve the Outdoor Permit for Midwest Wheels of Hope on 9/10/06 at the Hell Creek Ranch. MOTION CARRIED.**
3. Draft of 425 Agreement with Pinckney- S. Howell St: Discussed millage rates and zoning. **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Buerman to permit Supervisor Knopf to forward a copy of the draft agreement to the Village. MOTION CARRIED.**
4. Annex Bench: Supervisor Knopf thanked Pat Carney and Trustee Dobis for building the bench in front of the Annex.
5. Ordinance to repeal Outdoor Gathering Ordinance: **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Buerman to table the resolution to the next meeting so that a new ordinance can be put into place before the old one is repealed. MOTION CARRIED.**
6. Township Square Policy: **A motion was made by Klein and supported by McCloskey to table discussion/approval to the next meeting. MOTION CARRIED.**

7. MTA Fall District Meeting 9/15/06 Ann Arbor: Supervisor Knopf asked that anyone who would like to attend let Clerk Guyon know as soon as possible so that registration can be made. **A motion was made by Klein and supported by McCloskey to approve attendance for and Board member who wished to attend. MOTION CARRIED.**
8. Upgrade Township Hall Air Conditioning: Supervisor Knopf presented two options for upgrades to the current air conditioning system. No decision was made as the hot part of the summer has past. The handling system could be upgraded if and when the building is remodeled.
9. Public Health Preparedness Meeting: Supervisor Knopf encouraged all board members to attend. He had only heard from two board members at this point.
10. Resolution for Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority: Treasurer McCloskey explained that this resolution would allow Libby Brushaber to be the ordinance officer for Multi Lakes Sewer. **A motion was made by McCloskey and supported by Benedetti to adopt Resolution 06-07 appointing Libby Brushaber of the Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority as the Ordinance Enforcement Officer for Multi-Lake Sewer Use and Sewage Disposal Ordinance. MOTION CARRIED.**
11. Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority Alternate: Treasurer McCloskey asked that Zoning Administrator Pat Carney be allowed to serve as an alternate to the Sewer Board in his absence. **A motion was made by Klein and supported by Benedetti to appoint Pat Carney as alternate to Dick McCloskey to the Multi-Lakes Sewer Authority. MOTION CARRIED.**

SECOND CALL TO PUBLIC

Mr. Gardella reiterated his frustration with the court order regarding his property.

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Klein presented a proposed "Call to the Public" policy to be discussed at the next regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting **adjourned at 9:33 PM.**

Lisa M. Fusik
Recording Secretary
Putnam Township Deputy Clerk

Sally D. Guyon
Putnam Township Clerk

