

HOWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING

February 8, 2010

Howell Township Hall

7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Coddington Supervisor
Larry Hammond Treasurer
John Hubbel Trustee
Jim Phelan Trustee
Carolyn Henry Trustee
Jim Phelan Trustee
Marie Karas Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Carolyn Eaton Clerk

Also Present: Lynn Meissner: Township Manager/Financial Director

Supervisor Coddington called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO THE BOARD: MOTION by Phelan, seconded by Karas, **“TO APPROVE THE February 08, 2010 AGENDA AS AMENDED, UNDER #10 NEW BUSINESS ADD, I. CEMETERY CONTRACT AND UNDER #11 REPORTS ADD, H. FIRE AUTHORITY.”** Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION by Hubbel and seconded by Henry, **“TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 11, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.”** Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL DIRECTOR/MANGER REPORT: See Attached. Discussion, on issue #7, Indian Camp Trail and Barron Meadows, it might be possible for approximately \$20,000.00 more than the previous estimate that 2 inches of asphalt could be poured instead of doing a chip and seal. The township will ask for alternate bids to know the actual price difference between the two. Manager Meissner suggested to ask for estimates if asphaltting of the Marr Road bridge surface and Fox Hill Sub along with the Indian Camp Trail and Barron Meadows projects could be piggy-backed to save money.

CORRESPONDENCE: See attached list.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: No Response.

OLD BUSINESS: There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Application Proposed Rezoning “NSC” to “RSC”, Bowers and Howell Twp. – MOTION by Phelan, seconded by Karas **“TO FORWARD APPLICATION PROPOSED REZONING : “NSC” to “RSC”, BOWERS AND HOWELL TOWNSHIP TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.”** Hubbel voted nay. Motion carried 5-1.

B. MERS Health Care Savings Program – Discussion. Manager Meissner was authorized to proceed, to bring back some resolutions for this program.

C. Fowlerville Community Schools Summer Tax Collection, Fee Agreement – **MOTION** by Hammond, seconded by Phelan **“TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOWELL TOWNSHIP AND FOWLerville COMMUNITY SCHOOLS TO COLLECT SUMMER TAXES AT \$3.00 PER PARCEL.”** Motion carried unanimously.

D. Howell Schools Summer Tax Collection, Fee Agreement – **MOTION** Hammond, seconded by Karas **“TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOWELL TOWNSHIP AND HOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO COLLECT SUMMER TAXES AT \$3.00 PER PARCEL.”** Motion carried unanimously.

E. Alternate board Member Representative to the Planning Commission – **MOTION** by Hammond, seconded by Phelan **“TO APPOINT MARIE KARAS AS AN ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION IN THE ABSENCE OF HAMMOND FOR THE FEBRUARY 16TH PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING.”** Motion carried unanimously.

F. Planning Commission Appointment – Two seats are available. **MOTION** by Hubbel, seconded by Hammond **“TO APPOINT ANDREW SLOAN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF MARIE KARAS TERM.”** Motion carried unanimously. It was discussed and decided to look over the applications of Andy Harvester, Andy Karas and Joe McKnight and appoint a new member to the Planning Commission to fill the expiring term of William Earl at the next Board Meeting.

G. Board of Review Appointment – The Board of Review lost Representative Joe Daus. **MOTION** by Hubbel, seconded by Phelan **“TO APPOINT FRED WOODHAMS TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW.”** Motion carried unanimously. It is decided that an alternate to the Board of Review would be looked into at a future meeting.

H. North Burkhart Sewer District – Boss Engineering has approached Supervisor Coddington, Treasurer Hammond and Manager Meissner to have Howell Township supply sewage treatment to the Nazarene Campground on North Burkhart Rd in Cohoctah Township by connecting to our sewer line. The township would not absorb cost. A pre-application is being made to Rural Home Development by Boss Engineering on behalf of the Nazarene Campground. Discussion followed.

I. Cemetery Contract – **MOTION** by Hubbel, seconded by Karas **“TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH COMPLETE OUTDOOR SERVICES AT THE SAME RATE AS 2009 AGREEMENT OF \$546.75 A MONTH, APRIL THRU NOVEMBER.”** Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

A. Supervisor – See Attached.

B. Clerk/Zoning – See Attached

C. Treasurer – A meeting between Treasurer Hammond, Manager Meissner and Bill Danhof, Township Bond Counsel, to develop Language for recapture of unpaid Special Assessments. Discussion followed.

D. Airport – 1) A new terminal is being designed to be placed at the north end, roughly where the township has it clean up day. 2) Trying to obtain easement of air space over the land west of Wranglers on Grand River up to Old Glory Car Wash because it is in the runway protection zone.

Deleted: ¶
¶
¶

E. MHOG – 1) Treasurer Hammond and Manager Meissner have received a copy of the Annual Fiscal Report. 2) There is now no need of putting a water tower on Michigan and M59. Discussion followed. 3) **MOTION** by Phelan, seconded by Karas “**TO APPOINT JOHN HUBBEL AS ALTERNATE TO ALTERNATE TO MHOG, FOR THE FEBRUARY 17 MEETING.**” Motion carried unanimously.

F. Planning Commission – See Attached.

G. Assessing – See Attached. It was noted that Assessor, Collins is working very hard to get things completed and turned into County Equalization.

H. Fire Authority – Nothing new to report.

DISBURSEMENTS: **MOTION** by Hammond, seconded by Karas, “**TO PAY THE SAD REIMBURSEMENTS AS PRESENTED.**” Motion carried unanimously. **MOTION** by Hammond, seconded by Hubbel, “**TO PAY REGULAR DISBURSEMENTS AS PRESENTED.**” Motion carried unanimously.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

There was no response.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Phelan, seconded by Karas “**TO ADJOURN.**” Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Approved: _____

Carolyn Eaton
Howell Township Clerk

Dated: _____

Signed: _____

Mike Coddington
Howell Township Supervisor