

**HOWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING**

**April 26, 2010**

**Howell Township Hall**

**7:00. p.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mike Coddington            Supervisor  
Carolyn Eaton             Clerk  
Larry Hammond            Treasurer  
Carolyn Henry              Trustee

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

John Hubbel                Trustee  
Jim Phelan                 Trustee  
Marie Karas                Trustee

Also Present: Lynn Meissner - 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 Hammond, seconded by Eaton, **“TO APPROVE THE APRIL 26, 2010 AGENDA AS AMENDED, ADD OLD BUSINESS B) AMEND WATER ORDINANCE AND NEW BUSINESS C) B S & A SOFTWARE AND D) LIVINGSTON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION.”** Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** MOTION by Hammond, seconded by Henry, **“TO APPROVE THE APRIL 12, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED.”** Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL DIRECTOR/MANAGER’S REPORT:** 1) Quarterly Financial reports are included in the board packets. 2) Budget Amendments. MOTION by Hammond, seconded by Henry, **“TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AS PRESENTED ON THE FINANCIAL DIRECTOR/MANAGER’S MEMO DATED APRIL 26, 2010.”** Motion carried unanimously

**CORRESPONDENCE:** See attached.

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:** No Response.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Bowers, File 01.10.01, Parcel 4706-27-400-001, NSC to RSC – Determination. County Planning and the Howell Township Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed rezoning. Discussion followed. MOTION by Eaton, seconded by Hammond, **“TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED REZONING FROM NSC TO RSC FOR PARCEL #4706-27-400-001 FILE #01.10.01 EFFECTIVE 7 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION.** Motion carried unanimously.

B. Water Ordinance. **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Hammond, **“TO REMOVE MOTION AT LAST MEETING TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WATER ORDINANCE.”** Motion carried unanimously. **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Henry, **“TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #235 TO WATER ORDINANCE #181 SECTION 11B AS PRESENTED.”** A roll call vote was taken. Henry – yes Coddington – yes, Hammond – yes, Eaton – yes. Motion carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Recycle Livingston – Presentation. Postponed until the next meeting.

B. Accept Andy Harvester’s Planning Commission Resignation. **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Hammond, **“TO ACCEPT ANDY HARVESTER’S RESIGNATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.”** Motion carried unanimously. **MOTION** by Eaton, seconded by Henry, **“TO APPOINT JOE MCKNIGHT TO THE PLANNING TO FINISH A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012.”** Motion carried unanimously.

C. B S & A Software. A bid was received from B S & A for software update and training as well as an estimate from Microworks for updating the hardware and for a total of approximately \$40,000.00. B S & A will finance their portion over 2 years with no interest. Discussion followed. **MOTION** by Hammond, seconded by Eaton, **“TO LOCK IN PRICES WITH B S & A AND AUTHORIZE HARDWARE PURCHASE AS RECOMMENDED AT NO MORE THAN \$40,000.00 FOR ALL AND SPREAD THE SOFTWARE AMOUNT FOR 2 YEARS.”** Motion carried unanimously.

D. Livingston County Road Commission. A letter was received from the Road Commission regarding pavement repairs to County Primary Roads and asking if Townships were interested in cost sharing with the County. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Board that no money was available for this expense. Discussion continued regarding Township road projects. The Road Commission will not bid chip and seal or gravel on road sides. The alternative bids for the roads have been received and the bid for Henderson Road was less than the County bid. The County will not approve crushed concrete which would be even less expensive. The bids for other roads will be in sometime in May. It was again suggested that the Township Board meet with County Commissioners regarding inactivity and lack of cooperation with the Road Commission. Manager will check with bidder regarding when he needs to have contracts signed and check with the Road Commission regarding crushed concrete versus limestone. It was felt that Henderson Road would be a good place to test the crushed concrete.

### **REPORTS:**

A. Supervisor: He is still working with Safe Built regarding building inspections and waiting for information from them.

B. Treasurer. 1) Attended Treasurers meeting. 2) Researching the possibility of Howell Township doing our own tax bills and allowing credit and debit card payments for tax bills and utility bills.

C. Clerk/Zoning. 1) Attended APEX class at B S & A on footprint drawings. 2) In court on Monday for wood chip violation at Northstar. 3) Class on Friday regarding Michigan Prosperity Summit with State.

D. Airport. 1) Approved date for clean up day, but the date has been changed to June 12, 2010 which will be approved at a special meeting tomorrow night. 2) Discussed changes to building for Survivor Flight.

E. MHOG. 1) Still working on future planning. 2) Will supply water to the City of Howell this summer for a short period of time. 3) Doing soil borings for Marion Township water tower.

F. Fire Authority. 1) Fire Chief signed 3 year contract. 2) Fire Marshal noted residential sprinklers in all new residential buildings is in the new construction code.

**DISBURSEMENTS:** MOTION by Eaton, seconded by Henry, **“TO PAY REGULAR DISBURSEMENTS AS PRESENTED AND ANY OTHER USUAL AND CUSTOMARY INVOICES.”** Motion carried unanimously.

**CALL TO PUBLIC:** No response.

**ADJOURNMENT:** MOTION by Henry seconded by Hammond, **“TO ADJOURN.”** Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Carolyn Eaton  
Howell Township Clerk

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mike Coddington  
Supervisor