

DORR TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 6, 2008

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Kaczanowski at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Kaczanowski, Jodi Brummel, Jan Saunders, Larry Dolegowski, Tammy VanHaitsma, Paul Davis, and Don VanDorp.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None
(8 visitors)

Van Haitsma moved and seconded by Davis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held October 16, 2008. Motion carried.

No public comments.

No changes or additions to the agenda.

VanDorp moved and seconded by Dolegowski to approve bills in the amount of \$16,882.70. Motion carried.

No communications.

The following reports were given: 1) Planning Commission by Larry Dolegowski; 2) Fire Department by Harold Schumaker; 3) Community Policeing by Deputy Damveld; and 4) County Commissioner by Mark DeYoung.

Supervisor Kaczanowski introduced Randy Beute, the new joint community police officer for the Townships of Dorr, Leighton, and Salem replacing Vonda Evers.

Old business included:

- 1) Update on drainage problems on 20th Street by Red Run Estates

Trustee VanHaitsma updated the Board on this issue. The County has cleaned some ditches but there are still drainage issues. An engineer from the County Drain Commission is working on a solution to the problem.

- 2) Update on Tony Bouma lawsuit pertaining to private road

Supervisor Kaczanowski indicated that a letter was received from the Township attorney, Steve McKown, indicating that he is waiting to hear a response from the plaintiff's attorney as to whether they are willing to voluntarily remand this matter to the Planning Commission. Further updates will be provided as they are received.

- 3) Roger Plaiser property clean-up update

The bi-weekly visits to the Plaiser property are continuing with slow progress in the clean-up evident. Some specific clean-up tasks were indicated for the next bi-weekly progress review.

New business included:

- 1) Renewal of curbside recycling contract

Supervisor Kaczanowski indicated that the original curbside recycling contract was approved in 2005. The Board was presented with a contract addendum to extend it for three more years.

Dolegowski moved and seconded by Brummel to accept the contract addendum in which Allied Waste Services is proposing to retain the current collection schedule and collection days with annual price increase of \$.06 subject to the Allegan County Resource Recovery Fuel Surcharge Policy, while extending the contract through December 31, 2011. Motion carried.

- 2) Approve renewal of the Township insurance

Quotes were received from Western Insurance Agency for \$27,658 and from Hartleb Agency, our current policy holder, for \$22,160. After much review, Trustee VanHaitsma suggested the Board continue with the current carrier due to the approximate \$5,000 savings.

VanDorp moved and seconded by VanHaitsma to accept the low bid of \$22,160 from Hartleb Agency for the Township's annual insurance contract. Motion carried.

3) Composting

The Township's current composting contact is with Norm Fifelski at the Hungry Horse Campground. Because of additional expressed interest, the Board will be taking bids on a composting contract for the Township. The deadline for bids is December 1, 2008.

4) Reminder proposed sewer informational meeting

Supervisor Kaczanowski reminded the Board of the informational meeting for the proposed sewer district to be held on Tuesday, November 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Kaczanowski expressed his appreciation to Don VanDorp for his four years of service as Dorr Township Trustee. Supervisor Kaczanowski also highlighted some of the changes within Dorr Township during his 29 years of service as Supervisor.

Dolegowski moved and seconded by Saunders to adjourn. Motion carried.

Jodi L. Brummel
Dorr Township Clerk