

VALLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF TUESDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2010

Call to Order: Bill Browne called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

***The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

Roll Call: Denise Medemar, Brandee Ellis, Bill Browne, Bob Dobbins, and Rose Ann Wendt were present.

Minutes: Bob Dobbins made the motion to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2010 board meeting. Rose Ann Wendt seconded. The motion passed.

Approval of Draft Agenda: The Poverty Exemption Resolution was added to the agenda. With this addition, Denise Medemar made the motion to accept the agenda as presented. Bob Dobbins seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Denise Medemar presented the Treasurer's Report.

County Commissioner's Report: County Commissioner Fritz Spreitzer presented his report. He noted that an architect/engineer has been recommended for the new sheriff's office. There are still other channels it needs to go through, but progress is being made.

Planning Commission Report: Commission Chair, Melodie Dobbins noted that board approval is needed on the Camping Ordinance.

Zoning Administrator's Report: Administrator Paul Shamblin was absent.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: There were none.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Camping Ordinance-This was tabled until the March board meeting.
- B. FOIA Policy-This was tabled until we received feedback from the attorney.

New Business:

- A. Road Commission Meeting Update-Harry Smith noted that the paving of part of 36th street shoulders would cost the township \$14,396.00. He also noted that MDOT will be conducting a traffic count on M-89 to Fennville for future reference.
- B. Budget-It was decided to keep all salaries the same and to remove the education line item from the assessor's budget.
- C. Hawkers, Peddlers, and Transient Merchants Registration Ordinance-This ordinance was tabled until the March board meeting.
- D. **Poverty Exemption Resolution**-Brandee Ellis read the resolution to adopt poverty income guidelines. Brandee Ellis made the motion to accept the resolution. Denise Medemar seconded. Upon unanimous roll call vote, the resolution passed and Supervisor Browne declared the resolution adopted.

Supervisor's Comments:

- A. AEMS Update-Tabled until the March board meeting.
- B. Other-A quote from My Pro Audit was submitted for approval. My Pro Audit is a company that reviews and searches for over-payment on utilities and seeks reimbursement for these costs. It was decided that more information would be needed on the background of this company before any decision could be made.

Approval to Pay Bills: Denise Medemar made the motion to pay the January bills. Bill Browne seconded. The motion passed.

Upcoming Meetings/Events:

- A. Denise Medemar noted that taxes were due on February 16th.
- B. Special Budget Meeting on Monday, February 22 at 6:00 PM.
- C. The office will be closed on Monday, February 15 in observance of President's Day.

Adjournment: Brandee Ellis made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Denise Medemar seconded. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brandee Ellis, Clerk