

**Avon Township Board of Supervisors
May 7, 2008
Avon City Hall**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30pm by LeRoy Gondringer. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present; John Merdan, LeRoy Gondringer, Richard Bresnahan, Kelly Martini, Renee Smith. All present.
Also present; Adam Ripple, Steve Saupe, Ken Mergen, Bill Boom, Brother Benedict, Jeff Lange.

Agenda: Adam Ripple was present, so he was included to be first on the agenda. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Adam Ripple has drafted a letter to the people in charge of installing a new CapX 2020 power line. The line will be constructed in 2 mile segments. The board is concerned that there are problems with it passing through the lakes, wetlands, or forests in the township. The line will need 150 foot easement corridor. Supervisors suggest that the line could go along Highway 23 and go through ag fields to reconnect with the freeway. The route would be similar to the pipeline constructed recently in the area.

After several corrections, motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the minutes as amended. All in favor.

Treasurers Report: Martini presented the treasurers report. The treasurer, as directed, has transferred \$100,000 to a capital improvement fund from the road and bridge fund. The amount in the capital fund presently will come due on June 11. It has earned \$750 interest.
Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the treasurer report. All in favor, motion carried.

The supervisors examined the claims to be paid. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve payment of the claims. All in favor, motion carried.

Road Report: Jeff Lange brought a cost estimate for repairing Pruesser's road. (360th) The bottom line was \$5760.00.

Clerk has found the owner of the parcel of land on St Anna Drive. Dana Buening of Freeport has been informed that the approach he has put in to his property is illegal, and needs to be changed and needs a permit to be put in correctly.
Smith will inform Brian Pilarski that he needs to remove the lawn waste that he has put in the road ditch on RedOak Circle.
Blacktop bid this year will be 160th Avenue (one mile). Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to have Lange to the following projects;

Repair the breakup on Two Rivers Road corner, do patching on 182nd, 4-wheeler damage on 325th, gopher damage and the turn around on 140th, snow plow damage, corner on Norway, class 5 on Peach Drive, and at stop signs if needed.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the road report. All in favor, motion carried.

Mark Zinken, a resident on 325th St has requested approval for a second driveway to access his property. Steve Saupe has looked at Zinken's plan and found it to be OK. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve a driveway permit. Fee will be \$75.00 for the permit, and \$200.00 deposit, refundable if there is no road damage. All in favor, motion carried.

Jeff Lange brought quotes for the township snow plowing job. The supervisors will review them.

The new owner of Cones in St Anna brought a set of papers for the township to sign. The fee has already been paid, so the clerk simply signed off on them.

Planning Board Report: The planning board has recommended that St Johns be allowed to rezone 5 acres from A40 to EE zone. Brother Benedict and Bill Boom were present to answer any additional questions. There are no commercial plans for the property. No changes are planned to move any of the roadways. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Gondringer, to approve the 5 acre zone change. Voting for were Merdan and Gondringer. Bresnahan chose to abstain.

Albany Phone Company has the preliminary plat ready for their building site. The board signed and the document is ready for county approval.

Bresnahan has been informed that there is a large pile of turkey manure being stored with lime on the Avon Lime property. Don Kluempke, from environmental services has conducted a site inspection. The company will be expected to cover the manure and berm around it. Also, caution should be used so the material does not leach into the wetland. Bresnahan will draft a letter to the Avon Ag Co. to express our concern in matters like this in the future.

Planning Board Reported that they found a Rausch gravel pit in good condition. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to approve the county use of the pit for five more years. (2013) All in favor, motion carried.

The Bromenschenkel pit had some unacceptable conditions. NO company representatives were present for the inspection.

There are places where material has been pushed into wetland areas.

Township will require the following conditions:

Hours of operation to be 6:00 am to 10:00 pm.

Locked gate when not in use.

No material to be deposited in the wetland areas.

An updated reclamation plan is needed.

Plastic fencing placed on steep slopes for safety purposes.

A bond is required: \$15,000 on the Kramer portion and \$35,000 on the Pierskalla side.

Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to issue a new conditional use permit, with conditions above for a period of five years. (2013) All in favor, motion carried.

The planning board has recommended to the supervisors to hold a public hearing on May 28 at 8:15pm on behalf of BJ Becker to review a rezoning request to change a parcel of land from A40 zone to R5. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Gondringer, to confirm the time and date of the hearing. All in favor, motion carried.

The Sandra Zwilling property is being considered for the Good Shepherd building project. Igor Lenzner's opinion is that the land is contiguous to the city. The matter needs to be discussed at the Joint Powers Board meeting.

Merdan has approached the St Benedicts Parish, to inquire about a place for township residents to vote in the election this fall. They have given their permission to use the library with entrance from the street side and door one.

The supervisors have decided to use rubberized crack fill this year with the limit this year of \$10,000 of repair. Merdan would like to talk to the same company (L & M of Belgrade) because they did a good job last year.

Suggestion is to do a group of sections every year and rotate.

Motion by Gondringer, seconded by Merdan, to contact L & M first and go from there. All in favor, motion carried.

Supervisor's decision is to overlay 160th Avenue for a distance of one mile. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to post and publish the plan. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion concerning 165th work. The board would like to consult with the land owners at a meeting on the road. The date was tentatively set on May 22, but will not be posted until all parties have been contacted.

Motion by Bresnahan to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:00pm.

	General Revenue	Road & Bridge	Fire	Road Damage	Total
Balance from 3-31-08	\$55,493.87	\$196,667.93	\$16,664.41	\$2,400.00	\$271,226.21
Receipts	\$150.00	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
Total	\$55,643.87	\$196,742.93	\$16,664.41	\$2,400.00	\$271,451.21

Disbursements	\$5,623.40	\$109,966.00	\$6,875.50	\$200.00	\$122,664.90
Balance ending 4-30-08	\$50,020.47	\$86,776.93	\$9,788.91	\$2,200.00	\$148,786.31
CD ending balance in fire fund			<u>\$15,000.00</u> (\$5,211.09)		
Capital Reserve Fund CD		\$100,000.00			