Avon Township Board of Supervisors April 1, 2009 Avon City Hall

The regular meeting of the supervisors was called to order by Chairman LeRoy Gondringer at 7:30pm. We began the meeting with the pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present; John Merdan, LeRoy Gondringer, Richard Bresnahan, Kelly Martini, Renee Smith. All present.

Also present; Ken Mergen, Steve Saupe, Kathy Korte, Jeff Johnson, Tina Diedrich.

Agenda; Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan to approve the agenda for the evening. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes; Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan to approve the minutes of the March 4 meeting and the continuation on March 14th. All in favor, motion carried.

Martini presented the treasurers report for approval. Township will continue to send the fire department payment directly to the department. Motion by Brenahan, seconded by Merdan to approve the treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Assessor Jeff Johnson introduced a new person from the office. She is Tina Diedrich. She will specialize in commercial property assessment. Only 4 sales were made in the township in 2008. The equalization meeting was set for May 5, at 7:00pm at the Avon City Hall.

At 8:15, Chairman Gondringer opened a public hearing to present the township noise ordinance to be adopted. Saupe read the document aloud. Adam Ripple said we need to apply a signed copy to the court administrator to approve the fine which is called for in the ordinance.

Enforcement will be up to a sheriff deputy who would deal with any incident reported. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan to close the public hearing.

Rather then setting specific hours, the time reference will be deleted completely. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to approve the ordinance with the changes suggested. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to publish a summary of the ordinance in the local paper. (Stearns Morrison Enterprise)

Dennis Meyer attended the meeting to obtain approval for a certificate of compliance to build a home on 325th with a 40 acre split. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to approve the certificate. All in favor, motion carried.

Dave Woitalla was present to have township approval of his liquor license for the landing. Fee was \$150.00.

Greg O'Brien discussed the water drainage problem in his neighborhood along Upper Spunk. Water runs from springs on the hills under the road to drains to the lake. The drainage is not working quickly

enough through the present system. Since this involves lake lots, O'Brien was advised to inform the county and seek their help to improve the problem.

The supervisors have discovered that bids for snow plowing have been placed with the neighboring townships which were significantly lower than rates given to Avon Township. Adam Ripple stated that it would be difficult to break or get out of the present contract which they have signed, for snow plowing with the township.

Earl Sadlowsky attended the meeting to discuss snow plowing in the trailer park. He has also talked with Lange. Lange has not been plowing 332nd because it is not a township road. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan for Lange to plow 185th and turn around, while Sadlowsky will plow 332nd, a private road. All in favor, motion carried.

Marge Even informed the group that the community meeting will take place on August 13 at 5:00pm. Presentation will be by the Initiative Foundation.

Dale Swanson of Bonestroo supplied the board with the final document for 165th. They will take care of the bidding process and publication.

Township Facility Plan; Motion by Bresnahan seconded by Merdan to approve the following task force. Ed Springer Jr., Eric Linn, Kelly Martini, Zoe Graul, Marcie Heinen, Lee Larkey, Steve Himsl. Steve Plantenberg will be facilitator and Steve Saupe, recorder. Supervisors and planning members may attend.

Plantenberg and Saupe will be paid \$50.00 per meeting because they will need to spend more prep time and communicating and recording the action of the task force. Members will receive \$25 per meeting. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to approve all the planning board action. All in favor, motion carried.

Smith brought up the water problem on her farm. Board advised her to call the county engineer to see if they will open the culvert that drains the water into Upper Spunk Lake.

Discussion of road issues. Anyone who has a road problem should call the supervisors first rather than calling Langes.

Elmer Maciejewski (360th) has water over the road. Township may contact other contractors that are able to do smaller jobs at a lower price. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan that we will not sweep any township roads this year.

Martini has been unable to collect a 911 sign fee of \$75.00 from a resident. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to have the amount added to the tax bill for the property. All in favor, motion carried.

Martini has looked into interest rates at area banks and credit unions. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to deposit \$80,000.00 of the township funds, for the Capital Reserve Fund, at the Collegeville Credit Union. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45pm.

	General Revenue	Road & Bridge	Fire	Road Damage	Capital Fund	Total
Balance from 2-28-09	\$35,546.44	\$183,338.31	\$21,513.70	\$2,200.00	\$115,752.05	\$358,350.50
Receipts	\$39.32	\$23,980.39	\$20.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,040.36
Total	\$35,585.76	\$207,318.70	\$21,534.35	\$2,200.00	\$115,752.05	\$382,390.86
Disbursement s	\$2,419.15	\$7,315.49	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,734.64
Balance ending 3-31-09	\$33,166.61	\$200,003.21	\$16,534.35	\$2,200.00	\$115,752.05	\$367,656.22