

Avon Township Board of Supervisors

November 8, 2006

Avon City Hall

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30pm. We opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Minutes: Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Martini presented the following treasurers report;

Balance 9/30 \$37,669.40 \$71,833.45 \$13,509.59 \$2,000.00 \$12,012.44

Receipts 150.00 20,114.90 0 0 20,264.90

Total 37,819.40 19,948.35 13,509.59 2,000.00 145,277.34

Disbursements 10,404.16 1,598.89 3,857.80 0 15,860.85

Total 10/31 27,415.24 90,349.46 9,651.79 2,000.00 129,416.49

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

The supervisors approved and signed the Humane Society contract to cover 2007.

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

Road report - Jeff Lange. There is brush along Two Rivers Road which should be cut.

Lange's are adding blacktop material to the corners on 190th and Two Rivers Road, Norway Road, Upper Spunk Lake Road.

The bigger rocks and timbers are being removed from the ditch along Tower Road. There is enough vegetation growth in the ditches now to slow up the water run-off.

Norway Road and Tower Road seem to have a continuous problem with people dumping "stuff" here. Possible solutions were discussed.

A resident complained of a sign on 377th culdesac. Lange will probably just remove it.

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

Lange explained that Greg Meitz, of Spunk Tree Circle, wants to move his drain field to the same side of the road as his buildings. This would free up the possibility to see the tract across the street. The new drain field area would need to be built extending into the road right of way. At least two drain fields have been done extending into the road right of way along that street. Motion by Brenahan, seconded by Merdan, to allow Greg Meitz drain field to be installed no closer than six feet from the edge of the road. All in favor, motion carried.

Mark Vortherms is planning to construct an accessory building on the backside of his lot. He will need a variance for road setback. Question again about staying with the he county setback to eliminate the need for many variances. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to set a public hearing for Vortherms on Wednesday, November 29 at 8:15 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

The board read and approved Steve Plantenberg letter to Bob Pogatschnik concerning the activities accomplished with the Healthy Communities Partnership.

The new subdivision ordinance is ready for a public hearing. Motion by Gondringer, seconded by Merdan, to schedule a public hearing at the December 6 meeting at 8:30pm

to discuss and approve the new ordinance. If Bresnahan has a conflict on this date, the hearing will be moved to the January meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Brenahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve all of the planning board work. Stan Streit did some crack filling for the township with rubberized material. The patched cracks are on 360th and 175th (about 30 cracks).

Discussion concerning the curfew plans. No agreement was reached about the township wide or park curfew. This will be discussed by the joint powers board and probably follow their guidance or work with the city.

Martini reported on the township association meeting at Freeport.

The county nuisance ordinance expires in '07 and may not be renewed.

The county was forced to clean up a site in Maine Prairie Township and the owner was charged \$40,000.00.

Chuck Wocken, county parks director would like to use small amounts of money which various townships have on had designated for parks to buy land and develop larger regional parks.

Martini wants to attend a township conference in Duluth for two days. Motion by Gondringer, seconded by Bresnahan, to approve payment of Martini's expenses. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk Smith received a new wetland form that contractors must fill out with the land owners before doing any activities in wetland area. We will keep a copy on file.

The county has sent a new assessors contract or 2007-'08. Motion by Brenahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve and sign the county contract for another year. All in favor, motion carried.

The county wetland and storm water staff would like to visit each township at a meeting to inform us of new changes and procedures. The supervisors tentatively set this on schedule for the February meeting.

Brian Brix said there are pocket gophers working in the ditch toward the blacktop on the St Wendel Town line Road. Clerk will contact Steve and Travis Ritter to trap there.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.